

# Washington State Interagency Fatherhood Council

January 11, 2019 10-11:30 AM

WebEx call in information in the appointment and email



## Meeting Goals:

- 1.) Welcome and Introductions
- 2.) Gather input on mini grant opportunity that allow us to engage fathers
- 3.) Gain consensus around framing for Fatherhood Council
- 4.) Agree to preliminary meeting structure

**Participants:** Anne Stone, DSHS/ESA; Nikolas Hansen, Father; Joseph Jensen, Father; Davida Miller, DSHS/ESA/DCS; John Hlavaty DSHS/ESA/DCS; Mitch Dillard, DSHS/ESA/DCS; Dieter Jacobs, DSHS/ESA/DCS, Frieda Ray, DSHS/ESA/DCS; Christine Servine, DSHS/ESA/DCS; Louis Mendoza, Fatherhood Network; Kyle Paskewitz; Sue Rose, DCYF; Steve Grilli, DCYF; Tarassa Froberg, DCYF; Robert Pocklington, DOH; Dante Pollard, Father; Jerimiah Donier, Father; John Miller, King County.

Topic	Notes
<p><b>Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p>Review Agenda</p>	
<p><b>Fatherhood Practice &amp; Research Network</b></p> <p><b>Mini Grant proposal Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of the proposed information gathering</li> <li>• What are our survey gathering process touchpoints?</li> <li>• Mini Summit on health systems intersections in August How would we want to structure this? Do we need a workgroup to plan this?</li> </ul>	<p>The primary focus of the grant area is focusing on a father’s experience around the birth of their child, which will mean a strong connection to the health system.</p> <p>The group discussed the challenges of getting fathers together and their lack of social media presence.</p> <p>Ideas of how to distribute the survey:</p> <p>Social media advertising, promoting on Facebook and existing websites, contacting DOH (focus on birth – 5 y/o dads), contacting community colleges w/early childhood education programs and daycare, dads groups, using email lists already used by other agencies and groups and contacting moms since they talk to dads about connecting to resources.</p> <p>Anne will start a matrix of the idea generated by the group to circulate before the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>Discussion of Fatherhood Council Work</b></p> <p>Proposed framing of the work developed from our discussion from last meeting.</p>	<p>Discussed the proposed framework.</p>

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<p>Fatherhood Council Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forum information sharing</li> <li>• Focused on issues faced by dads</li> <li>• Develop ideas that we can implement and measure</li> <li>• Create common, meaningful voice</li> <li>• Provide education and guidance to cross cutting agencies* that serve parents</li> </ul> <p>Three Focus Areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Current Resources for Fathers- Short term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Gather information on what is currently available for dads</li> <li>b. Increase awareness among agency staff about resources for dads</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Cultural shift – Medium to long term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Build and integrate overall awareness of how state agencies impact fathers</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Policy and Legislative changes – Medium to long term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggest potential policy and system</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<p>*Agencies to add to the Purpose Statement:  Department of Corrections  DSHS – Economic Self Sufficiency and Division of Child Support  Housing – particularly criminal justice  Health – both Public health and primary care  Department of Children Youth and Families – both Child Welfare and Early Care and Education  Family Courts and Administration of Courts  Law Enforcement</p> <p>Dieter provided an overview of this framework that he proposes for the work of the Council. There was general agreement that this is a good starting point and that it will be amended as needed as the work progresses.</p>
<p><b>Meeting Structure-</b> in person and WebEx every other meeting?</p>	<p>General discussion about the need to do work on the Council structure, membership, and functioning. It was decided that the next meeting would cover this in depth.</p> <p>The group reviewed the proposed agenda items for February meeting which will be at Family Support Services in Olympia.</p> <p>It was decided that the group would meet every other time in person and on WebEx. To create face time and a balance for those that have to drive long distances.</p>

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	Anne and Dieter Jacobs will draft an agenda for the next meeting. We need to determine if there needs to be other representatives on this prep group like a father?
<b>Adjourn</b> Future Meeting Dates (All from 10-11:30 AM) <b>February 8, 2019 in person in Olympia</b> March 8, 2019 WebEx April 12, 2019 in person in Olympia May 10, 2019 WebEx June 14, 2019 In person Olympia July off? August half day mini summit TBD Aug 9 <sup>th</sup> Held	Discussed upcoming meeting frequency and locations. Challenges include fairness, travel time, and availability during legislative session. Explored the possibility of Eastern WA participants gathering at a central location to ease travel burdens. Agreed to use this schedule through June and revisit at the June meeting.  Discussed that the mini summit in August is a mandatory, in-person meeting due to the grant obligation suspense in September. Tacoma was mentioned as a possible location, but venue was not discussed.
<b>Next Meeting Agenda</b>	Council Structure Review and Update Matrix of Possible contacts Review and affirm Survey questions if we get the grant

Table of potential Connecting Points for Fatherhood Council

What is the Group	Who is our contact	Contact information	Type of Group	Population	Estimated Size
Family Support Services in Olympia	Keoki Kananoe	<a href="mailto:keoki@familyyess.org">keoki@familyyess.org</a>	In person support groups?		
Benton Franklin initiative	Vanessa McCollum DOH	<a href="mailto:vanessam@bfhd.wa.gov">vanessam@bfhd.wa.gov</a>			
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