

St. Clair County Community Services Coordinating Body

ANNUAL REPORT

2020



FORGING STRONGER CONNECTIONS

ST. CLAIR COUNTY
COMMUNITY SERVICES COORDINATING BODY
A Community Collaborative



*"...leading the way in the development of
services to meet the needs of the community."*



TOGETHER WE CAN

Deb Johnson, Chair, St. Clair County Community Services Coordinating Body

The benefits of cooperative and collaborative relationships among area businesses and organizations has never been more clear than today, as communities continue to craft appropriate and timely responses to continually shifting COVID-19 infection rates. In St. Clair County, the continued commitment to the Community Services Coordinating Body (CSCB) by over 75 member organizations provided the Blue Water Area a cushion of support that helped residents, particularly those already in need of assistance, withstand the challenges created by COVID-19.

As detailed in this annual report, the response of CSCB members has been outstanding since the pandemic arrived in Michigan in March. The hard work, dedication, and creativity of the CSCB and its members helped to moderate COVID-19's impact on the people of St. Clair County. However, we will not let our successes create complacency about the threat COVID-19 continues to pose, nor will we relax our vigilance and efforts to keep the virus at bay. Together, we can help ensure that St. Clair County emerges from this crisis in 2021 with a renewed sense of optimism, that the economic vitality of the region is restored, and that the new and expanded relationships resulting from our response to the pandemic benefits the people of St. Clair County for many years to come.

On a personal note, I count myself very blessed to be working side by side with the many incredible people and organizations we have here in St. Clair County. I cannot imagine a group of people better equipped to weather this storm. In a time of crisis, where it would have been easy to pull away focusing on ones own needs, we continue to pull together, for the betterment of this community.

2020 COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE AWARD



As the leaders of the St. Clair County response to the Covid-19 Pandemic, Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer of St. Clair County Health Department and Justin Westmiller, Director of St. Clair County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, exemplified all we could want from our government leaders. Their constant communication with the public was open, honest and transparent. They provided comfort and guidance to those searching for accurate information in a cacophony of misinformation. Their ability to bring together key players was necessary when the need for a coordinated response was so essential. Throughout the pandemic, the need for a coordinated response was essential and both consistently brought together key players as necessary to address each and every challenge that confronted St. Clair County. Their counsel and guidance given to employers, organizations and residents was concise and accurate. They promoted an environment of coordination and collaboration, developing a system that promoted each of their strengths and simultaneously created an environment that encouraged maximum teamwork, which contributed to minimizing the covid-19 spread locally. Difficult times call for exceptional leadership and they answered the call. For these reasons, the St. Clair County Community Services Coordinating Body is proud to name Dr. Annette Mercatante and Mr. Justin Westmiller the 2020 Community Collaborative Award Winners.

Annette Mercatante, M.D., M.P.H. is the Medical Health Officer of the St. Clair County Health Department since May 2009. She worked as a private physician from 1990 until 2008. Graduating from Wayne State Medical School in 1987, she received her Masters in Public Health 2011. Dr. Mercatante is Board Certified in Family Practice and a member of: American Academy of Family Physicians; American Medical Association; Michigan State Medical Society; St. Clair County Medical Society; Michigan Association for Local Public Health, MAPPP/Michigan Association of Public Health & Preventive Medicine, National Association of County and City Health Officials, and American Public Health Association.

Justin Westmiller is originally from St. Clair County, graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration. He enlisted in the US Coast Guard in 1996 and served for 20 years where he gained a wealth of experience in crisis management, search and rescue, became a nationally accredited instructor and served in several leadership roles. After retiring as Lieutenant Commander, Justin returned to St. Clair County and was hired as the County Director of the Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management in February 2019.



CENTRALIZING INFORMATION: NEW CSCB WEBSITE



For more information:
Go to COVID-19 on the Resources Menu

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center (The EOC) identified a need to have a centralized location to collect and organize information that would be helpful to St. Clair County residents during the pandemic. The St. Clair County Community Services Coordinating Body answered that call by developing a CSCB website and Facebook page that host information such as:

- Food distribution sites
- COVID Testing locations and criteria
- Housing information, including shelters and links to eviction and foreclosure prevention resources
- Links for help with Unemployment applications
- List of childcare centers open during the pandemic
- Resources for small businesses
- Lists of medical and mental health resources, including COVID Support Line information
- Links to the St. Clair County Health Department for up-to-date county information

In addition to COVID information, the CSCB website will host information specific to each workgroup, including workgroup mission and goals, membership lists, contact information, meeting calendars, minutes, agendas and other materials specific to each group. These portions of the website continue to be added to and developed. Information about CSCB Associated Initiatives can also be found on the website to help the broader community learn more about other collaborative efforts happening in St. Clair County.

The St. Clair County Help Card, one of the CSCB's most frequently used resources, can be found under the Resource tab. The new version will be uploaded each time updates are made.

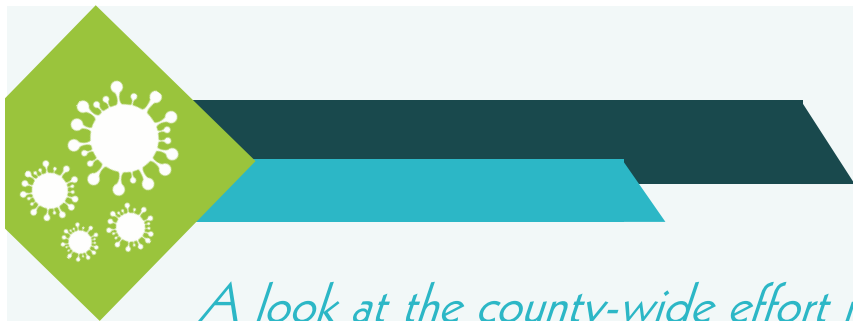
The events tab will list upcoming CSCB events as well as community events that members request to share.

CHECK IT OUT:

 www.cscbinfo.org

 facebook.com/scccscb

Help us keep this information current! If you have information to share on the website or Facebook page, please send it to Amy Smith at asmith@scccmh.org or Sarah Herrle at sherrle@scccmh.org.



COMMUNITY RESPONSE

A look at the county-wide effort in response to the COVID-19 virus

Never before in the thirty-six year history of the Community Services Coordinating Body (CSCB) has its mission of collaborating to strengthen the community and meet community needs been more important than in 2020, when the Blue Water region, like the rest of the United States and world, faced unprecedented challenges created by the COVID-19 virus. In the face of these exceptional trials, by continually assessing changing condition and modifying their operations as necessary, the member organizations of the CSCB improved on the strength, quality, and creativity of an already impressive collaborative effort. As a result, the challenges faced by St. Clair County residents were significantly mitigated and the community as a whole emerged from the COVID-19 lockdown prepared to work together to overcome the long-term challenges created by the virus.

LEADING THE CHARGE

On March 10, Governor Whitmer issued a Declaration of a State of Emergency following two cases of COVID-19 in Michigan. This set the stage for the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners to declare a county disaster. The Emergency Operation Center (EOC) was activated the same day, with the St. Clair County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the St. Clair County Health Department taking lead in crafting the county's pandemic response, while incorporating the input from several CSCB members in creating and executing the plan. A prime reason for the speed and efficiency at which members of the EOC worked together is a testimony to existing relationships among many EOC affiliates forged during years of collaborative efforts while participants in the CSCB. At the same time, new relationships were created that will continue to bear positive results for years to come in achieving CSCB goals.



COMMUNITY COLLABORATION



In conjunction with the EOC, CSCB members from among government bodies, medical organizations, local nonprofits and businesses, working cooperatively, responded thoughtfully and deliberately, but also swiftly. From the moment the state of emergency was declared, the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners were extraordinarily responsive, listening to what was needed, providing those resources, all while demonstrating empathy and concern for their own staff. Countywide, law enforcement and fire departments acted as one, coordinating staffing levels and geographic coverage when COVID-19 affected a department's staffing, providing mutual aid as necessary. Under Sheriff Tim Donnellon and Prosecutor Michael Wendling, the Sheriff and Prosecutors offices worked hand in hand in crafting and executing various executive orders and providing consistent messaging to the

public. Local municipalities and townships cooperated with the EOC and among themselves, offering assistance to one another as necessary. School districts answered the call, rising to the challenge by taking difficult but necessary steps to limit the spread of the virus by students and faculty. St. Clair County Community Mental Health created and staffed a COVID-19 hotline with phone, text, and email options, ensuring that county residents had a way to reach support to cope with feelings of stress, isolation, or anxiety related to the pandemic, as well as linkages to treatment for mental health conditions.

HEALTHCARE HEROES

Local medical providers achieved a level of synergy that will be a model for years to come. Lake Huron Medical Center and McLaren Port Huron coordinated their responses, improving testing from 25 people a day at the beginning of the pandemic to over 600 people a day at the present time. Together, they created additional contingency plans that expanded on normal emergency plans. Countywide, under the leadership of Dr. Mercatante of the St. Clair County Health Department, doctor's offices, medical clinics, and other medical providers



TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

The cooperation of the St. Clair County business community was critical. Area businesses stepped up by making facemasks, face shields, and providing necessary storage. More important, their willingness to carry the economic burden created by COVID-19, closing down when necessary and being on the front line of explaining and enforcing COVID-19 health guidelines as businesses opened up. This cooperation helped create the climate of community support necessary to help mitigate risk and the local virus impact as we prepare to enter the winter months. Some examples of exceptional support from area businesses and organizations include:



- The EOC was able to provide personal protective equipment (PPE) to area businesses, non-profits and healthcare organizations made possible in part by a huge donation from DTE Energy. Pallets of PPE were delivered to the EOC to distribute in St. Clair County when we needed it most.
- The EOC created a task force of area businesses and governmental organizations to create consistent COVID-19 messaging to educate and support local businesses and organizations. One outcome was a highly effective billboard campaign explaining and encouraging the use of masks.
- Polka Dot Pandas, a small business in downtown Port Huron, led the charge early on with volunteers making thousands of fabric face masks during the early spring months of the Stay-at-Home order where PPE was extremely limited and businesses and healthcare organizations were running low on resources.



- Quality Computer Solutions, B's 3D Prints and the Marysville VI Robotics Team teamed up to 3D print and donate plastic face shields, becoming one of the first groups making and donating this type of equipment in the area.
- With input from the EOC, the CSCB created a Pandemic Response Team that runs parallel to the Critical Incident Stress Management group, but with a focus on COVID-19. Group sessions, depending on group size and discussion content, provide assistance to businesses and organizations by allowing employees to come together and talk about their reactions to the pandemic and by providing information on how to mitigate stress reactions and normalize what attendees are experiencing. This service is offered completely free to area businesses and organizations.
- The United Way and the Community Foundation both set up special funding pools to assist area businesses and nonprofit organizations with special projects that addressed COVID-19 issues.
- Hunter Hospitality House donated Clorox wipes and hand sanitizer to the Visiting Nurses Association and provided funds to the Community Foundation's COVID-19 Relief Fund.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

Early on it was determined that one of the components that would be paramount to the COVID response in St. Clair County was consistent messaging. CSCB members routinely shared EOC communications through their social media accounts, with their employees and clients, and in other media outlets. EBW-TV News ran interviews with local leaders helping to spread factual information important to St. Clair County residents. The St. Clair County Health Department, in conjunction with the EOC, ran weekly Facebook Live sessions delivering up-to-date information and answering questions. Once the Stay at Home Order was lifted, the Economic Development Alliance (EDA) ran a successful billboard campaign encouraging residents and visitors to support St. Clair County businesses with their patronage as well as by wearing masks, hand washing and social distancing. The CSCB created a website and Facebook page where information about all available resources was updated daily. (See page 2 for more information.)



SUPPORTING FAMILIES

The Early Childhood Collaborative partners worked with Help Me Grow Michigan to assist essential workers in finding child care during the initial shutdown, partnered with the Early Childhood Investment Corporation and Great Start to obtain grant funds for home-based childcare providers, supported childcare providers in writing grants, developed COVID-19 policies and procedures, and provided them cleaning supplies. They also opened a daycare center for first responders. The CSCB website kept an up-to-date listing of open childcare centers to help families navigate this difficult situation. Operation Transformation worked with DHHS to recruit foster care parents and respite care workers and worked with St. Clair County school districts to arrange for churches to provide Internet access to children and families that did not have it.



CARING FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Local non-profits pooled resources and coordinated processes to respond to those in need, struggling under the economic weight of COVID-19. An emergency shelter was started and staffed by Blue Water Community Action in partnership with a local hotel. This was critical as area shelters were forced to operate at half capacity to meet COVID-19 guidelines, and familiar resources for people who are homeless were no longer available.

The Council on Aging provided meals to people in this emergency shelter. Mobile Crisis Unit staff from St. Clair County Community Mental Health were linked with individuals with Substance Use Disorders to support them in recovery while they stayed in the emergency shelter. The Port Huron Police Department and St. Clair County Sheriff's Office helped ensure a safe environment for these vulnerable people by helping to identify and bring people into shelter as they encountered them. All told, 25 families and 29 individuals were provided a cumulative 946 nights at this temporary hotel shelter, before being discharged to other shelter locations as they became available or into other stable housing destinations.

Supported by CARES Act funding, Bluewater Community Action, Lakeshore Legal Aid, Legal Services of Eastern Michigan, Department of Health and Human Services and the 72nd District Court worked together to develop an Eviction Diversion Program to protect area residents from eviction once the statewide rental moratorium expired. The Port Huron Area Landlord Association, as well as many other area landlords, provided many referrals to the program.

Operation Transformation worked with the St. Clair County Intervention Center, Department of Corrections, Huron House and Blue Water Recovery and Outreach Center to provide mentors for recently released inmates and parolees.

FEEDING THE NEED

Making sure individuals and families in need have consistent access to food continues to be an area of focus for the CSCB and many member organizations during the pandemic. Many people impacted by job loss, benefit loss, hour reductions and temporary furlough have not needed to tap into these community resource before. Crucial assistance was provided via weekly food distribution sites that included schools and mobile pop-up food pantries. CSCB members were critical in ensuring information about these sites were widely distributed. Several examples of these food distribution efforts include:

- Catholic Charities of Southeastern Michigan provided the connection that allowed the CSCB to secure 1400 boxes of produce a week for five weeks during July and August. An area business provided the warehouse space needed to store the boxes of produce until distribution could occur.
- The Foodbank of Eastern Michigan, Blue Water Community Action, Blue Water Recovery Center and DHHS hosted a drive through food give-a-way for more than 263 households.
- St. Clair County Community College, United Way of St. Clair County, YMCA of the Blue Water Area, several area churches and numerous other organizations partnered with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan to provide pop-up mobile food pantries through the county.
- Mid-City Nutrition, a heavily utilized soup kitchen in Port Huron, aided by their many dedicated volunteers, converted from a congregant meal setting to providing carry-out meals, ensuring that all those who rely on receiving these twice-daily hot meals were still able to do so, in a safe manner.



Given the immense human and economic cost of COVID-19, no reasonable person, would not wish it away as though it had never happened. However, no reasonable person would also not seek positive meaning in this tragedy. The positive meaning in St. Clair County has been deeper relationships among CSCB members and with other area organizations. These relationships will prove valuable to all area residents in the years to come.



CONTINUED SUPPORT

While many strides have been made, COVID-19 will continue to impact daily life for many months to come. Schools, businesses, healthcare organizations and the community will continue to rely on our support. Here are some important resources:

PANDEMIC RESPONSE TEAM

The COVID-19 Pandemic Response Team is made up of a variety of peers and professionals who have been trained to provide support to employees in any field who are returning to work or continuing to work during the pandemic. These sessions are confidential and intended to support employees through the pandemic. The goals are:

- To allow employees to talk together about how they have been affected by the pandemic.
- To provide support and education regarding normal stress reactions to a traumatic event and the importance of self-care and support for co-workers.
- To expedite recovery and to keep employees performing at their best, minimize absenteeism and maintaining a solid workforce.

For more information and to schedule a FREE session for your business or organization, contact:

Amy Smith, St. Clair County Community Mental Health
asmith@scccmh.org, cell phone: 810-650-8737 or
at SCCCMH (810) 985-8900

Mark White, Emergency Operations Center
mwhite@stclaircounty.org, office phone 810-989-6965

ST. CLAIR COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC)



The St. Clair County Board of Commissioners activated the Emergency Operations Center in March in response to Governor Whitmer's State of Emergency declaration. The EOC continues to share information with the public through weekly Facebook Live events with the

St. Clair County Health Department, from their website: www.bereadystclaircounty.org and Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BeReadyStClairCounty.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY UNITED WAY 211

The United Way of St. Clair County plays an important role in helping residents connect with resources when they need them most through the 211 helpline. The state-wide database can be utilized by local residents and anyone else in the state of Michigan.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The St. Clair County Health Department continues to be at the forefront of all public health situations in St. Clair county, including the COVID-19 Pandemic. Through their website you can access a data dashboard for the county that provides up to date case count information, testing sites and criteria, guidelines from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, guidance for businesses and employees and much more. Their social media accounts provide daily information, and weekly Facebook Live sessions with the EOC help to answer questions from community members, dispel rumors and make sure residents have the information they need to keep themselves healthy and well.

St. Clair County Health Department COVID-19 Hotline

(810) 966-4163 Monday - Friday 8-4:30

E-mail: covid19@stclaircounty.org

Web: www.scchealth.co/

Facebook: www.facebook.com/scchdmi

Instagram: @scchdmi

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services COVID Hotline:

(888) 535-6136

ST. CLAIR COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

Operated by St. Clair County Community Mental Health, the COVID Support line is available by phone, text or e-mail to any area residents who may be struggling with feelings of isolation and loneliness, need support for anxiety over the possibility of getting sick, financial struggle, resource scarcity, or caregiving. It also can provide support for first responders, essential employees, medical professionals on the front lines struggling with burnout, anxiety, depression and feeling overwhelmed. More mental health resources are available on the SCCCMH website at www.scccmh.org or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/scccmh.

Covid19support@scccmh.org

Call: (810) 985-8900

Text: (810) 956-6335



HOUSING & SUPPORT SERVICES WORKGROUP

Chairperson: Kathy Swantek, Blue Water Developmental Housing

WORKGROUP GOALS:

1. Provide Community Education & Awareness regarding the issues of homelessness in St. Clair County.
2. Work collaboratively to reduce the number of people struggling with homelessness in St. Clair County.
3. Re-evaluate and update St. Clair County Strategic Plan to End Homelessness to coordinate with various federal, state and local requirements.



Collaboratively Accomplished:

- Annual Point in Time conducted in January 29, 2020. Identifying 232 people as homeless, including 166 adults and 66 children making up 40 families.
- 699 Individuals were served through the local homeless shelters or Housing Assessment Resource Agency (HARA) services. SSVF Grant has served 12 veteran families with Rapid Rehousing and 43 with Prevention.
- 12th Annual Community Resource Fair that was set to be held in May was cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The planning committee looks forward to the 2021 event.
- The HARA worked with the EOC to establish a temporary emergency shelter to house people who were homeless to prevent the spread of the virus, assisting 25 households, 29 individual for a total of 946 nights.
- CARES Act CV funds were awarded to St. Clair County in the amount of \$370,022 to be allocated for homeless prevention, rapid rehousing, support for emergency shelters, and HARA support.
- Emergency Solutions Grant award from MSHDA totaled \$210,479 to be used for HARA supports, emergency shelter, rapid rehousing, and prevention efforts. This is approximately \$12,000 over last year's award.
- St. Clair County's Eviction Diversion Program began in August. This program will assist a minimum of 60 families and will continue into 2021.
- A subcommittee of the workgroup updated the July 2019 "Strategic Plan to End Homelessness" in October 2020. In January, the subcommittee will come together and create a strategic plan for 2021-2022.

ADOLESCENT SERVICES WORKGROUP

Chairperson: Deb Johnson, St. Clair County Community Mental Health

WORKGROUP GOALS:

1. Develop comprehensive list of existing resources to support children, their families and providers serving those 8 to 18 years of age.
2. Identify gaps in services based on survey data/needs assessment data.
3. Help support development of needed programs as identified through needs assessment process (Phase II).
4. Develop county-wide Speaker Bureau listing
5. Plan and execute Resource Fair for providers and possibly families.

Collaboratively Accomplished:

- Began to develop a adolescent services resources directory by gathering information from workgroup members, and other CSCB member organizations
- Began developing a Speakers Bureau listing, to help collect and organize information on different speakers, presentations and programs available for this age group.
- Coordinated with United Way 211 to update database information.



EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES GREAT START COLLABORATIVE

Chairperson: Julie Pemberton, Blue Water Community Action

WORKGROUP GOALS:

1. Early Childhood services/programs are reaching and engaging ALL families in need of support/early childhood programming and information.
2. Increase the number of families engaged and active in both the Great Start Parent Coalition and the Great Start Collaborative.
3. Increase access to high quality early care and education services and supports.
4. Children in St. Clair County have access to high quality, early literacy services
5. Families will have access to programs, services, and resources needed to fully participate in their child's early development and learning.

Collaboratively Accomplished:

- Referrals increased within the HUB. A total of 1,040 referrals were made between 8/1/19 and 7/31/20 – about an 18% increase. The pregnant women referred through the hub increased from 306 to 384. This was about a 25% increase.
- The GSPC Facebook group was a successful way to reach 193 members and have regular communication with them throughout the year. Of the members, over 87% are actively engaged. One new member joined the GSPC because of their interaction with the Facebook group. The regular posts kept everyone engaged - to date, 558 posts were made.
- The group created and posted four “Health Tip of the Day” videos to create conversations about health related topics. On average, 66 members viewed each video and 14 members were engaged or commented.
- Due to COVID, the second half of the year was different than planned. However, there was an increase in partnerships with childcare providers throughout St. Clair County. Health and safety was the main priority. A grant from the United Way helped providers to access cleaning supplies for sanitizing and disinfecting the classrooms.
- Because of COVID the meeting changed from face-to-face to online platforms, which has allowed members who are unable to travel to a meeting to participate in the meetings virtually, which has led to greater engagement.

OPIOID EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Sheriff Tim Donnellon, St. Clair County Sheriff's Office

WORKGROUP GOALS:

1. Members of the Opioid Executive Oversight Committee will be the experts on the opioid epidemic in SCC and develop strategies to address / reduce the amount of abuse by a minimum 10 percent.
2. Provide oversight, support and endorsement of the Prevention and Treatment Subcommittee activities.
3. Executive Oversight Committee Members will educate the community on issues related to the opioid epidemic in SCC.

Collaboratively Accomplished:

- The SCC Health Department received funding to have a consultant work with the committee to collect data and make recommendations. The committee reviewed the consultant's report in August. The committee has agreed to reassemble the data subcommittee to continue to watch for data trends.
- Data trends discussed as result of presentations from the SCC Drug Task Force and Narcan utilization both indicate there is a drop in opioid use.
- Presentations made included: BWROC Resources, Health Department—Naloxone, Families Against Narcotics – Hope not Handcuffs, SCC Drug Task Force, BWARM – Sober House Presentation, and Odyssey House – Mobile Overdose Response Team.
- Several members of this committee were presenters at the month long “Opioid and Other Drugs Virtual Series” held throughout the month of September. This virtual conference was marketed to professionals in a variety of fields: medical professionals, emergency responders, school personnel, social workers, persons in recovery and to the community. These 18 webinars were offered completely free of charge, including continuing education credits, with an average of 100 participants each. In total over 400 people took part in this virtual series.

Chairperson: Alyse Nichols , St. Clair County Health Department

WORKGROUP GOALS:

1. Improve Community Readiness of Prescription Drug Misuse/Abuse in St. Clair County.
2. Collaborate with prescribers to reduce opiate prescribing.



Collaboratively Accomplished:

- Continued efforts to raise awareness of prescription drug misuse. Contest among youth to design a message about Rx misuse — winner received a \$50 gift card. Shared information about drug takeback locations and events. Partnered with Sheriff's Department for National Drug Takeback Day in April 2019. Completed final "Barrier Analysis" report. Merged Rx Workgroup with St. Clair County Smoke-Free Community Team; new coalition is St. Clair County SPEAK.
- Prescriber Training hosted in September 2019 "How to Manage Addiction in Your Practice." 34 local prescribers attended and learned about how to implement Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in their practice.

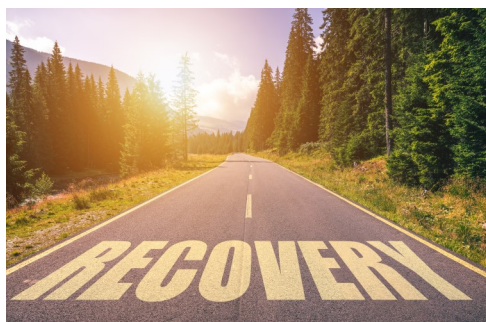
TREATMENT & RECOVERY SUBCOMMITTEE

SUBCOMMITTEE OF OPIOID EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs: Deb Walbecq , DHHS & Ken Heuvelman, Odyssey House

WORKGROUP GOALS:

1. Identify the current resources operating to address opioid abuse in St. Clair County.
2. Identify the gaps in the current treatment and community resources for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder.
3. Identify strategies in which to address the identified gaps and provide recommendation to the Executive Oversight Committee.
4. Assess effectiveness of efforts in the community to combat the opioid crisis.



Collaboratively Accomplished:

- Encouraging participation and increasing membership to be more inclusive to address the opioid treatment issues, especially members of the new Recovery Court.
- We have begun to map a treatment ecosystem. Initially two gaps were identified: 1) availability and access to all forms of MAT (especially methadone) from a local county provider and 2) the existence of a drug (recovery) court. Preliminary arrangements to provide MAT at the Center of Port Huron were halted due to the Center's zoning issues. Discussions were conducted with the County Court system about bringing a Recovery Court to the county.
- The Treatment Subcommittee and the Opioid Executive Oversight Committee advocated on behalf of The Center of Port Huron when zoning designation issues developed. Current future for The Center is uncertain at this point in time.
- Producing a resource document to share with the community.
- Active in supporting community initiatives for increased availability of services for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder. This committee supported Odyssey House in their efforts to open a much needed women's recovery house in Port Huron. That house is now open and accepting residents.
- Discussions were conducted regarding establishing an interim sober living facility and a local detox center. No decision has yet been reached on the need for these facilities. Work in these areas is ongoing.
- The Treatment Subcommittee will soon be finalizing and prioritizing a list of gaps that we will present to the Executive Committee for review.



ASSOCIATED INITIATIVES

For more information on CSCB Associated Initiatives, visit www.cscbinfo.org

CHILD DEATH REVIEW TEAM:

- Mission: To understand how and why children die in St Clair County, in order to take action to prevent other child deaths.
- Reviewed 19 cases in 2019 (including natural deaths, suicide, and accidents) ranging in age to minutes old – 17 years old.
- In 2020 the team has had only two meetings due to COVID, there have been 10 cases reviewed thus far.
- A trend noted is the increase in the number of sleep related

DEMENTIA/ ALZHEIMER'S RESOURCE COMMITTEE:

- The Dementia/ Alzheimer's Resource Committee supports caregivers and individuals living with dementia and Alzheimer's.
- Annual walk fundraiser took place virtually this year.
- Awarded 12 respite grants this year, which provided \$1000.00 to those needing help paying for respite care for their loved ones.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES:

- Meets monthly at YMCA, currently via Zoom with around 30 members.
- Promoted Walk for Summer Reading, Blue Water Walking Club, National Walking Day, Senior Project Fresh, Blue Water Marathon Challenge.
- Sharing and dissemination of information regarding virtual programming, food distribution sites, vaccination, community needs with the pandemic.

OFFENDER SUCCESS:

- Statewide strategic approach to create safer neighborhoods through the delivery of a seamless plan of services.
- All services are delivered in collaboration with state & local agencies to provide the tools necessary for returning citizens to successful transition into the community.
- 85 returning citizens received services through Offender Success in FY 20.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY SUICIDE PREVENTION COMMITTEE:

- Continue to collect & analyze current local suicide attempt and completion data looking for trends.
- Mental health and suicide prevention training provided virtually for the entire Landmark Academy staff in October.
- Survivor of Suicide Support Group continues to meet monthly.
- Annual Walk2Remember, Walk2Prevent was cancelled this year due to COVID; the committee is planning for a 2021 event.

WRAPAROUND:

- 2 Full-Time Wraparound Coordinators.
- 20 families served in FY 20, 6 kids successfully exited from the program.
- Eligibility: St. Clair County children 0-17, multiple system involvement, Severe Emotional Disturbance diagnosis, risk of out-of-home placement, Severe Functional Impairment as measured by the CAFAS.

CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT TEAM (CISM):

- Collaboration between Department of Homeland Security/Emergency Management & St. Clair County Community Mental Health.
- Members are trained in the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) model.
- The CISM Team conducted 10 Interventions in FY / 20, 4 for human services agencies, 4 for first responders, 2 individual one-on ones.
- Began the Pandemic Response Team in May, completing 27 interventions to date with this model. (See page 7 for more information)

2020 MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

A Beautiful Me, Area Agency on Aging, Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce, Blue Water Area Transportation Commission, Blue Water Center for Independent Living, Blue Water Community Action, Blue Water Developmental Housing, Blue Water Habitat for Humanity, Blue Water Safe Horizons, Bridge Builders Counseling and Mentoring, Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan, Citizen Representatives, City of Port Huron, **Colonial Woods Christian Counseling Center**, Community Enterprises of St. Clair County, Community First Health Centers, Community Foundation of St. Clair County, Ennis Center for Children, Goodwill of St. Clair County, Harbor Impact Ministries, Harbor Oaks Hospital, Hunter Hospitality House, IMPACT, Innovative Housing Development Cooperation, Lake Huron Medical Center, Lake Huron Physician PHO, Lakeshore Legal Aid, Legal Services of Eastern Michigan, Macomb/St. Clair Employment and Training Agency, Marysville Department of Public Safety, McLaren Port Huron, Michigan State Police Lapeer Post, Mid-City Nutrition, MSU-Extension Services of St. Clair County, NorServ Group, Offender Success, Operation Transformation, People's Clinic for Better Health, Port Huron Area School District, Professional Counseling Center, Region 10 PIHP, Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Spero Center, St. Clair County Administration, St. Clair County Board of Commissioners, St. Clair County 31st District Court Family Division, St. Clair County Child Abuse/Neglect Council, St. Clair County Community College, St. Clair County Community Mental Health, St. Clair County Department of Health and Human Services, St. Clair County Department of Veteran's Affairs, St. Clair County Health Department, St. Clair County Homeland Security and Emergency Management, St. Clair County Library System, St. Clair County Sheriff's Office, St. Clair County Probate Court, St. Clair County Prosecuting Attorney, St. Clair County Regional Education Service Agency, The Arc of St. Clair County, The Center of Port Huron, United Way of St. Clair County, Visiting Nurse Association/Blue Water Hospice, YMCA of the Blue Water Area ****Bold denotes new member in 2020**

2020 ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

