



Community Coordination:

Seniors Groups & the Community Team

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

1:30 pm to 1:35 pm | Registration – Royal Canadian Legion Branch #122

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1:35 pm to 1:50 pm	1. Welcome Community team
1:50 pm to 2:00 pm	2. Collective Impact & Framing the Discussion Collaboration continuum Themes from discussion
2:00 am to 2:15 am	3. Break Out - Building a Common Agenda Who: What: When: Where: How:
2:15 am to 2:25 am	Coalition Commitment What do we give? What do we get?
2:30 pm	Closing

Personal Notes

What next?	How do we move forward together?
What was interesting?	Who will I have a conversation with? (to help you, to help them, to help us)

Discussion Summary - from Innoweave, Exercise #2

Pre-Condition	Describe how these factors show up for you now?	What are the gaps or challenges in your community?
<p>History of Collaboration</p>	<p>At one time, there were a lot of volunteers (e.g. Civic Centre). Led to the creation of GDCF.</p> <p>Service clubs, local government, (housing, rec facilities and programs), families have worked together. Canada Day is getting bigger & bigger.</p> <p>Others say that there hasn't been a lot of collaboration. The rodeo is an example.</p>	<p>Realize that we can't do everything; need to focus; reduce burn-out.</p> <p>Need to define age of 'senior' (50+) or 'mature' demographic.</p> <p>Number of senior volunteers is declining.</p> <p>People have specific, rather than general, interests. Lack of team work & follow-through.</p> <p>Without central support, a full continuum of services will continue to be lacking.</p>
<p>Influential Champions</p>	<p>There were many in the past.</p> <p>Jeff Dolinsky, Bill Usher, Rick Seward – have a</p>	<p>Families were involved, declined, and are coming back as champions.</p> <p>A coordinator needs to be a</p>

	<p>single issue, focus, passion.</p> <p>Kicking Horse Culture caters to all demographics.</p>	<p>champion.</p> <p>KHC.</p> <p>Silos, which once allowed for improved focus, now cause isolation and lack of coordination.</p>
<p>Urgency of Issue</p>	<p>High. Community is getting smaller.</p> <p>Physical isolation; makes it tougher to participate in activities.</p> <p>But people are not interested until it becomes <i>their</i> need.</p>	<p>How to engage & coordinate the Community.</p> <p>Food and Housing are urgent issues.</p> <p>The 'divider' is one's health. Meals on Wheels can be better; along with many health services.</p> <p>Pay-your-own-way housing options; cohabitation; car sharing & new rec facilities (indoor pool).</p>
<p>Adequate Resources</p>	<p>No current champion; lack of coordination (meetings, communication, follow-up).</p> <p>Tough because of Province</p>	<p>Need champion/coordinator.</p> <p>Transportation is lacking locally.</p> <p>Yard work help may be needed</p>

	<p>defunding programs to all age groups.</p> <p>Used to be more volunteers, and more to rely on.</p> <p>No seniors bus trips anymore.</p>	<p>by some.</p> <p>Not necessarily low income housing – have to ID this need.</p> <p>Financial challenges, often due to squeezing from all government sources.</p> <p>Missing key rec facilities.</p>
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