



City of Oakland, Human Services Department
Oakland Fund for Children and Youth

Planning and Oversight Commission (POC) 06.05.2024 Meeting Notes:

Pecolia (Excused), Jasmine (Present), Jorge (Present), Letitcia (Present), Jasmine (Present), Meg (Excused), Ahnoki (Absent), Selina (Absent), Hassan (Absent)

No quorum; no action taken.

Needs Assessment Input Session

Question 1: What has changed for children and youth in Oakland over the last three years?

Question 2: What supports are critical to your children and family?

Question 3: How can OFCY advance equity in funding supports for children and youth in the city?

- Speaker 1: Staff from Safe Passages; A lot more opportunity for the youth to make money. You have to make connections with the community to get more awareness of what is needed. Summer academic and enrichment programs are needed.
- Speaker 2: Graduate from Oakland High School this year. He is in the Peer Mentorship program at East Bay Asian Youth Center (EBAYC) program where he is a mentor for 9th and 10th graders. Kids are growing up too fast and are in a rush to be adults. Kids don't have people to talk to; they don't have anyone that understands where they are coming from. All the programs are necessary and needed; would add Peer mentoring to the list of services.
- Speaker 3: Graduate from Oakland High School this year. He is in the Peer Mentorship (EBAYC) mentor 9th and 10th graders. Peer mentoring should be funded more because it is the youth and a lot of the issues that the youth are facing now.
- Speaker 4: Graduate from Madison Park this year. The services that Safe Passages provided helped him figure out what to do in life and to empowered him to want more out of life.
- Speaker 5: Staff from Safe Passages; Safe Passages has been funded by OFCY for a while. The youth have learning lost, self-respect has decreased in youth after covid. The adults in that run these programs have stopped caring for children. All the services are needed.
- Speaker 6: Staff from Safe Passages; COVID has changed a lot of things; cost of living, homelessness, substance abuse. Since COVID has subsided a lot of the programs are losing funding. Career path services that lead to something you love to do; all programs are needed because you can't have one without the other.
- Speaker 7: CEO from Youth uprising; OFCY provides the youth jobs, some of these youths are providing for their households and it prevents them from committing crime. All the programs are needed. OFCY has played a major a part in assisting with
- Speaker 8: Student; Youth Uprising has a program that allows her to work with kids during the summer with Art; within the last year a lot of kids are chronically online and don't read that much so having programs where they are interacting with people and being outside are very necessary.

Katie Cramer (Co-Founder) of the Bridging Group Presentation

The Bridging Group specialize in crossroads of criminal legal system involvement, poverty, housing stability, and behavioral health and their effects on the public health, families, and communities.



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Evaluators for Oakland ReCast, DVP, Fire & Police Dept. (MACRO).

6 staff of the Bridging Group will be OFCY Evaluation Team.

Primary Activities & Deliverables: (get from Memo)

Project Coordination & Strategic Advising, Evaluation Planning and Data Feedback Loop, Retrospective Evaluation Report (FY 22-23), Descriptive Evaluation Report (FY 23-24), OFCY Grantee, Planning & Oversight Committee, Stakeholder Engagement, Data Visualization.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm