

Rural Solutions
Fatherhood Program Activity Report
January, 2009
Submitted by Glenda Bang

Attended the Fatherhood Advisory Board Meeting on January 7, 2009

Attended the career fair planning meeting at NJC on Jan. 20, 2009

Made visits to two sites:

January 8, 2009 made visit to Hugo, CO and visited with Patricia Thompson who is conducting fatherhood classes in Lincoln County.

Second visit was on January 13, 2009 with the Brush Head Start Staff regarding their interest in conducting fatherhood classes using the Love and Logic curriculum, will be working with them on a contract for classes and training.

Participated in conference call with Kelli Bennett regarding training on the MIS system. I will be working on the MIS system to get the necessary information completed for our programs.

Sent new intake forms to the programs so that we will be in compliance with the Fatherhood Program.

Contracts were sent to William Madden and Prairie Family Center for classes beginning in January. A new contract is being sent to Brush Head Start for their training and speaker. Contacted Baby Bear Hugs regarding the follow-up classes for the Wisdom group and spoke with Mary Gross regarding the classes they are starting this month.

Attended the Domestic Violence training in Akron on January 29, 2009.

January 2009 Report
Submitted by Michelle Sharp

Office of Health Disparities Grant

January 12 – Met with Elodia Lopez our outreach worker in Morgan county and Brenda Zion to talk about the nutrition class that Elodia is doing with Gretchen Blackwelder through the Extension office and the ESL classes in Ft. Morgan.

January 21 – Met with the outreach workers for our monthly meeting at Steve's office. Thank you Steve for letting us use your building. It is a great place to meet. We are working on getting the Resource directory updated so that it can be translated into Spanish. We are also getting ready to start the survey's again, so I am sure we will be in each of your offices.

Attended the navigator luncheon. Women's Wellness Connection spoke at the luncheon. They provide assistance to women who are diagnosed with cancer. The only catch is they have to be diagnosed by one of their participating doctors.

After the lunch stopped at Sunset Manor to setup an appointment to talk about doing a Cultural Competency Training with their staff.

January 22 – Went to a meeting at Sunset Manor in Brush to see about setting up a Cultural Competency training. We scheduled two for February.

January 27 – I met with Rose Padilla our outreach worker for Elbert, Lincoln, Cheyenne and Kit Carson counties in Limon and we made the last of our site visit's with the hospitals and clinics. We started in Hugo, stopped in Kit Carson, Cheyenne Wells then up to Burlington and then I dropped Rose back off in Limon and came home. It was a long day but very productive.

Colorado Trust Preventing Suicide Initiative

January 22 - Jackie and I attended the United Way dinner. We received a grant from them of \$1,900, which will be used for match money for Maranda's Colorado Trust Challenge grant. Way to go Maranda.

HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment Study

January 13 – Jackie and I met with Center for Research Strategies to talk about getting started with the HIV/AIDS needs assessment study and lay out the next 5 ½ months.

January 20 – Jackie and I attended the Linking Yuma county meeting in Yuma at the Hospital, then we had our 1st HIV/AIDS meeting at the Quintech building bringing together the different organizations and people to discuss what is needed.

Child Abuse Study

January 13 – Jackie and I met with Center for Research Strategies to talk about the Child Abuse study and how to work with it.

Other Activities

January 8 – Went to the Action Team Meeting in Akron and reported on the activities of Rural Solutions.

January 24 – I did a presentation at the Early Childhood Provider Conference at NJC. I spoke on how the Economic times are affecting rural families.

January 29 – I taught the Job Club class at Fred's office for Nicki. This helps' TANF clients put together a resume and prepare to look for a job and how to interview and hopefully get a job.