

Community Assessment and Recovery Task Force

Introductions Tentative Agenda

August 6th 2013

Higher Ground – 7:00pm

Attendees: Trish, Kerri (SCA), Patricia, Kelly (CNS), Jessica (HSCA), and Karla (CNS)

Regrets: Wendy and Leslie

1. Introductions

2. Additional Items

- Some residents are still out of their homes. There seems to be some residents slipping through the cracks with the new flood relief policies ex: Condo's below ground

3. Overview of Info Fair

- Overall the fair was good but the information is changing very quickly.
- A lot of residents did not get the clarity they needed (especially from the province and about rebuilding)
- People in the community still are not clear on how to respond, who qualifies for it, what are the implications of accepting the provincial funding.
- We might need to do this again based on the specific questions residents have. A panel can address the common ones and a question and answer period could follow.
- We would also need more people from the province – especially if it was not
- There was an event at the U of C regarding different legal issues. The panel approach worked really well with a question and answer period at the end.
- Plan- We will request to have another event with the province (ideally the week of Aug 26). There could be a focus on rebuilding
- There will be two other Info fairs – like the one in Sunnyside- Information may be increased with time.

Action Item: Karla or Kelly to send a poster with the information on the future flood info fairs to Jess and Kerri to post on their social media sites/websites.

Action Item: Write letter to MLA, Minister in charge, and Alison Redford regarding the discussed need and request a meeting.

Action Item: Karla to find out who else might be a good contact with the province.

4. Overview of Survey

- A. What worked well?
 - A good number of people completed the survey- About 100
- B. What question should be added or changed?

Action Item: Karla to update survey based on today's suggestions and print out 100 copies for the meeting on Thursday.

- See updated version of poster attached.

- Changes include- Number of feet of water and time of flooding, alter question about contractors and make it open ended, add neither to some questions as some people we leaving it blank, and the last two questions remove due to space issue.
- C. Preliminary findings (Roughly 50 surveys have been read though).
- People are primarily concerned about prevention and building the berm/infrastructure. People would also like to see funds/support go to individual in highest need (seniors, low income families, people without insurance). There is a number of people who do not feel safe in their home.
- D. Plan for Thursday
- Plan is to continue with distributing surveys at the water services presentation on Thursday Aug 8.

Action Item: Karla, Kelly, Trish and Kerri will be at the event to hand out surveys at 6:30.

Action Item: Jess to get clip boards and pens

Action Item: Kelly to see if she can get prizes for completing a survey

5. Approach to implementation of the rest of survey

- A. Staffing – Community volunteers or Grants
- The general plan is to hire someone but collect as many surveys as possible to lower the workload. Community volunteers can still play a role in collecting surveys.

Action Item: Karla to write up some notes regarding intent of the project. Kerri to add and edit it.

Action Item: Karla and Kerri to book meeting with Quentin.

Action Item: Kelly to find out number of residences in the community.

Action Item: Jess to see if survey can go online.

- B. How to compile information
- This can be done by potential new staff with task force support.

C. Timeline – ASAP

D. Other

6. Initial thoughts on response

- A. Ideas for responding to individual needs
- Part of this can be completed through info night
- B. Response to residents not feeling safe
- We initially did ask people if we could contact them. To be respectful yet responsive we could draft up a note and put it in their mail box with our contact numbers. They can call us if they would like our support regarding safety.

Action Item: Karla to draft up note and Kerri to edit.

- C. Ideas for responding to community needs
 - More of this info will come out after we have a better idea of the needs through the survey.

- 7. Block Captains and Volunteers**
 - Not a lot signed up but

- 8. Name of task force** – Tabled to next week

- 9. Connection with flood prevention task force** – How we can collaborate/share information when needed

- 10. Other Items**