GBV Task Force Meeting Minutes

04/22/24

Attendees Present:

- Karla Altmayer (Healing in Action); Shykira Richards (Youth Guidance, Working on Womanhood); Teresa Sullivan (Legal Aid Chicago); Olivia Farrel (The Network); Joel Mitchel (Emmaus); Jennifer Rosenkranz (Michael Reese Health Trust); Linda Tortolero (Mujeres Latinas en Accion); Erica B. Davis (CDPH); Yesenai Galvan (DFSS); Deirdre Harrington (DFSS); Laura Ng (DFSS); Andrea Chatman (DFSS); Latoya Hester (DFSS); Noureen Hashim-Jiwani (MO)

Call to Order

- Quorum not made

Discussion of Task Force Response to Jayden Perkins Loss

- Members of task force discussed loss of Jayden Perkins, to clarify: (1) our priorities as a taskforce and (2) how to have a more coordinated response (not everyone on the taskforce was informed of a response); would it be helpful for the taskforce to decide a point person vs. ad hoc.
- How do we coordinate as a taskforce? How does this inform our priorities moving forward? Other steps we want to take collectively?
- Re-map what happened, specific names and what was offered to the family; what are the gaps in process?
- Also, what could we have done 2 3 years ago that could have prevented this instance of violence? Case rounds type of discussion. Start a digital document for mapping, questions, etc.
- Discussion focused on how to get more information and looking at alternative response mechanisms besides criminalization.
- Discussion of accountability, what does accountability look like and what is the Task Force's role in determining that.
- Next steps: Meeting with Deputy Mayor of Community Safety, Retracing initial response, needs assessment from City, tangible resources, shifting cultural norms.

Report on City Response to Jayden Perkins

- Notifications come in through CPD and CPD notifies crime coordinated services system which falls under CDPH
- EDYHS is notified if young person was in CPS
- Notifications come through the network not CPD; filtered through so we know who and where we are responding to (received by police districts)
- Once identify service area, delegated service agencies and partners who are considered first responders get to the scene or hospital to support survivors
- Still partnering and coordinating with delegate agencies in victim services space
- Once we received the notification, MO team alerted

- This is a form of community violence; there was also an incident earlier in the year when students were shot Infront of their school downtown. Can the city incorporate gender-based violence in pilots of community safety and violence prevention?
- Discussion of the crisis support for the mother and family post violence. Normalization of death and trauma in the community. Parents had to demand that the crisis team come back after spring break.
 - There wasn't ongoing support for the neighborhood around where he died. Not enough from the city.
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- Want "Jayden's Law", focusing on the families that fall through the cracks

Next Steps

- Meet with DMs of Community Safety and EDHYS
 - Taskforce RSVPs are critical
- Presentation: what everyone's responses as a taskforce and individual members, and city's
 - Much of this is still an active case so we will have to pull together what can be shared legally
 - If that's the case, then we need hypotheticals (if X happens, city should do X); need clarity so taskforce can know how to talk to community members
 - When and where were organizations called
- Identifying needs assessment from the city
 - Resources that are available to community members
 - Advocacy commitment state funds
- Coordination with CPS to advance cultural norms (language around GBV)

Please note: Report on City Response to Jayden Perkins Loss was discussed before Discussion of Task Force Response to Jayden Perkins Loss.