

# Minutes for CYF Advisory Board AD HOC Meeting

## Meeting Details

Location: **Virtual via TEAMS**

Meeting Facilitator: **Dara DeChellis**

Secretary: Patrice Harris

Date: **July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024** Time: **4:00 PM**

## ATTENDEES

**Dara DeChellis:** CYF Project Manager

**Betsy Caroff:** CYF Acting Director

**Dr. Erica L. Givner:** Owner and CEO of Vision Towards Peace counseling services

**Monica Ruiz:** Executive Director of Casa San Jose

**Kara Kuo:** Principal Planning Analyst, Department of Human Services

**Nthando Thandiwe:** Planning Analyst, Department of Human Services

**Aubrey Plesh:** Continuum Provider; Mon Valley SWISS Shelter Operator; Leader of Team PSG

**Helen Grove Cahalane:** Overseer of the Child Welfare Continuum at the School of Social Work at Pittsburgh University; Overseer of the Child Welfare Professional Education Program and Child Resource Center

**Hazell Azzer:** AIDS Free Pittsburgh Community Outreach and Engagement Coordinator for the Jewish Healthcare Foundation

**Mary Stoner:** Leader of the South Hills Foster & Adoptive Parent Support Group; Board member

## REPORTS

**Item #1:** Needs-Based Plans and Budget (NBPB) submission due September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Details:

- The NBPB is a statewide process used to determine the service level of need in each county for mandated child welfare and juvenile justice services, as well as to develop funding allocations to meet those needs.
- Multiple activities are funded by the NBPB which include, but are not limited to early learning, child & youth development, child & family behavioral health and juvenile probation purchased services, such as residential placement, ART and CISP.
- Kara Kuo reviewed the NBPB with the advisory board.

**Item #2:** Allegheny County's Annual Needs Based Plan and Budget Hearing

Details:

- Erin Dalton, Director of Allegheny County Department of Human Services, and Amanda Gallagher, Assistant Chief Juvenile Probation Officer will be the presenters.
- The priorities of Allegheny County regarding services and resource needs will be reviewed. These discussed objectives will maintain focus on children and families who are currently involved with, or at risk of being involved with juvenile justice and child welfare systems.
- Will be held virtually on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Registration can be completed at the following site: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkde-qpz0sHde2AmTBZOvgdItgqnEw5IDA#/registration>

## ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting ended at 4:56 pm.

Minutes submitted by: *Patrice Harris*

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Approved by: x

Dara DeChellis