

Team: Newtown CHAT

Date: March 27, 2014, 6:00pm

Place: Robert L Taylor Community Complex

Next Meeting Time/Place: Tuesday, April 22, 2014, 6:00pm

Attendees:

Barbara Powell- Harris, Beverly Phelps, Joyce Rabie, Juliana Dearr, Monique Kunz, Deborah Livingston, Pascale D. Edouard, Ro Mohamed

Updates/Progress/New Information Since Last Meeting

Follow Up to Growing Healthy Communities Symposium

- Confirming with the guest speakers a couple of day in advance of the vent
- Youth positive role modeling/ Peer to peer engagement
 - Future Idea- Sarasota Youth Food Network in conjunction with the Sarasota Food Network
 - Youth from the different counties in Florida sharing their voices through webinars and telephone conferences
- Saturdays event was pretty sparse-getting the last minute commitment from community members
 - Possibility that because the symposium was a two day event, community members chose one day to attend the symposium (Friday)
 - Suggestion to have a series of events during a given month where community members can commit to an hour on a specific day instead of a long drawn out day
 - Suggestion to have seasonal events
- Connecting residents to local resources to help improve their health
 - Cooking Matters
- Providing community members with tangible take-away
- HEBNI Nutrition Consultants presentation on Sun Life Convenience Store to offer healthier food products to customers
 - Possible long term goal to remodel a local convenience store and provide with resources to offer healthier food options (Dread Market)
 - Use of the Convenience Store Survey that has already been completed
- Having the audience connect to the food provided- food that was provided were not common every day foods
 - Possible having Cooking Matters as the main source of food tasting option for community attendants as well as providing an interactive audience engagement
 - Engaging local culinary school programs (i.e. SCTI Culinary Program)

Moving Forward

- Youth garden & nutrition programs available to local schools and after schools programs
 - Booker High School
 - HARD: NOC
 - Roy McBean Boys and Girls Club
- Funding opportunities
 - UF/IFAS Gardening Mini grants

Future Community Engagement Event

- Orange Avenue Housing Authority Gospel Explosion –Saturday, May 3rd 11am-4pm
 - Provides an opportunity to increase community awareness of the CHAT & the Orange Blossom Community Garden
- Alta Vista Parent University-June
 - Speaking to parents and families about the benefits of gardening
- F.O.O.D Day-October 24
 - Hosting an Orange Blossom Community Garden Tour
 - Engaging the Orange Avenue Housing Authority
 - Container Gardening Workshops
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CHAT Chair

- Recruitment for a CHAT chair. Anyone interested (or willing to nominate someone) should contact Pascale (pascale@CHIP4health.org ; 861.2779)

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