

**One Giant Network Moment - Info Submitted by Speakers
Community Support Network Partner Meeting - March 1, 2017**

Alphabetical by Organization

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Agency, Organization, Other: Alliance For Workforce Development a partner of America's Job Center

Name & Position: Gem Platte, Youth Career Advisor

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Ages you work with: 18-25

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Benefits of the youth program for enrolled clients

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Schools, Adult Education, Juvenile Hall, Probation, CalWORKs, EDD, FREED and more. Desired collaborations: Reaching out to youth in our community 18-25, especially those considered vulnerable or 'at risk' populations.

Agency, Organization, Other: American Red Cross

Name & Position: Ned Russell, volunteer

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Ages you work with: 5-~24

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Pillowcase Project (grades 3-5): inspired by university students carrying their belongings in pillowcases in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, project was developed in partnership Disney. Follows a Learn, Practice, Share model and meets many Common Core standards. Aims are to increase awareness and understanding of natural hazards. In a one hour classroom session, led by trained volunteers, students learn emotional coping skills, best ways to stay safe, and how to create their own emergency supply kits containing essential items in a self-decorated pillowcase, then encouraged to share with friends and family. || Red Cross Clubs (K-12 and college): Emphasizes community service. Provides students with knowledge and life-saving skills to help prepare their school and community to respond to emergencies and opportunities to develop leadership skills while making a meaningful impact by addressing community needs. More information: <http://redcrossyouth.org/>

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Desired: schools, community volunteers to support either program.

Agency, Organization, Other: Asset Building Champions (ABC) reading program

Name & Position: Ned Russell, volunteer advocate

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Ages you work with: 5-13 (grades K-8)

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Developed by the YMCA in Santa Clara County under banner of ProjectCornerstone.org 10+ years ago. 40 Asset based and now in 25+ school districts in SC County, plus some in Sacramento, San Mateo, other counties. Surveys have documented increase in # of assets in youth in schools with the program. (Increased assets->increased healthy, decreased high risk behaviors). Model program: lesson plans; activities; uses parent volunteers, a lead per school, a reader for each classroom; 8 books for kindergarten; 24 books/ 3 years (1/school month); all grade 1-8 students learn and practice moral of the monthly book. A slightly altered pilot program started in January 2017 at Grizzly Hill School.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Current: CSN-CAPC and Coalition for Drug Free Nevada County. Opportunities: any K-5/8 school & funding primarily for books, some supplies, misc.

Agency, Organization, Other: First 5 Nevada County/Nevada County Public Health: Parent Cafés

Name & Position: Lindsay Dunckel (Cindy Wilson presented info on Lindsay's behalf)

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Ages you work with: 0 – 5 years

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Beginning this fall, we will be running small group discussion opportunities for parents based on the five protective factors called Parent Cafés. These dynamic groups are parent-driven and support parent leadership development at all levels. We will be collaborating with Sierra Nevada Children's Services to host these 6-meeting sessions (held every other week) that will include child care and food for participants; we have funding to offer transportation and funding to offer stipends to parents who serve as Table Hosts for the discussions. All of this is funded through Public Health by a federal grant called Project LAUNCH.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Knowing that word of mouth and personal experience are the two best parent recruitment tools, we are looking to hold sample "Pop-Up Cafés" this summer in places where parents are already gathering. Do you have a group of parents that gather at your agency? Would you like to host a one- to two-hour sample Café? Do you have a suggestion of a place to hold a Pop-Up Café? We'd love to hear about it. For those interested in learning more about Parent Cafés, we will have a trainer here on April 18 to lead agency folks through a typical Café – let us know if you'd like to participate.

Agency, Organization, Other: Frank McClain in Association with Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Coalition of Grass Valley

Name & Position: Frank McClain, Founder, EvolutionAccess

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Ages you work with: 16 and older

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: The “Transforming the Culture of Violence” Project

We see it as a tool. A tool for awareness, for transformation, and for communication with the practical application of becoming better able to treat myself and others as I would like to be treated.

We further believe that those who take this on can actually begin shifting what is “normal” in their culture with their transformed attitudes and behaviors. Participants in this project could then take these transformed attitudes and behaviors into the future to create conditions where children, communities, organizations, and nations live with far less dominance and violence than they experience now.

The Project has three parts:

1. Considerations: Deconstructing the Culture of Dominance / the Culture of Violence - Five Ways to Dominate / Traumatize Others and Ourselves:

- Not Seen
- Not Heard
- Not “Mattered”
- Not Included
- Not Empowered

Seven Distinct Forms of Control, Coercion, Violence and their Associated Traumas:

- Gender Role
- Subordinative Role
- Attitudinal
- Verbal
- Physical
- Sexual
- Ideological/Institutional/Financial

A Sequence of Control, Coercion and Violence: Seven Steps in a Trauma-Producing Event:

- Establish My Image of Authority
- Authority Denied/Defied
- Death of My Image of Authority
- Choose to Re-Establish My Image of Authority
- Objectify Whoever Denies/Defies My Authority
- Chase Whoever Denies/Defies My Authority
- Coerce/Control/Traumatize Whoever Denies/Defies My Authority using one or a combination of the Seven Distinct Forms Control, Coercion, Violence to Re-Establish My Image of Authority

2. Transformations: How can I begin ceasing dominating and perpetuating the forms of control, coercion, violence I have learned to perform as Post-Traumatic Mental and Physical Adaptive Patterns?

3. Communications: How can I begin to step out of the System of Dominance to communicate in non-dominating ways, producing less trauma and more constructive collaborations?

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: The Project has Two Areas for Community Participation:

1. Women’s Introductory Seminar& Men’s Introductory Seminar - Presentation of: A description of the Culture of Dominance / The Culture of Violence and Five Ways to

Dominate/Traumatize Others and Ourselves; Seven Distinct Forms of Trauma-Producing Control, Coercion, Violence and their Post-Traumatic Adaptive Patterns; A Sequence of Control, Coercion, and Violence in Trauma-Producing Events

2. Women's Study Group; Men's Study Group – A Weekly Gathering to further awareness, to discuss, and to practice beginning to cease individual perpetuation of the Culture of Dominance / The Culture of Violence. Participation requires completion of Men's or Women's Introductory Seminar

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION OF GRASS VALLEY

3-HOUR INTRODUCTORY SEMINARS: MONTHLY, BY INTEREST, AND BY REQUEST

MEN'S STUDY GROUP – TUESDAYS 6:30 TO 9:00 PM

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP – WEDNESDAYS 6:00 TO 8:30 PM

INTRODUCTORY SEMINARS AND STUDY GROUPS MEET AT THE OFFICES OF:

THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION OF GRASS VALLEY

BRIGHTON GREEN

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Agency, Organization, Other: FREED Center for Independent Living

Name & Position: Jenny Snyder, Systems Change Advocate

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Ages you work with: All ages

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: FREED is a disability civil rights, advocacy and resource center, offering multiple services that help facilitate independence and self determination for people who have disabilities.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: New CMS Rules for Integration; Home and Community Based Services; Infrastructure Accessibility; Voting; Disability Awareness; Housing; Public transportation; Law Enforcement

Agency, Organization, Other: Interfaith Food Ministry [Click here to enter text.](#)

Name & Position: R. Kate Laferriere, Development Director [Click here to enter text.](#)

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Ages you work with: Interfaith Food Ministry works with all ages struggling with food insecurity in Nevada County. [Click here to enter text.](#)

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Interfaith Food Ministry (IFM) works to feed the hungry and reduce food insecurity in Nevada County. IFM feeds the hungry, helping to sustain good health and human dignity. Seniors on fixed incomes, single parents, disabled individuals and working parents - all may experience occasional or chronic food insecurity due to unforeseen expenses, rising food prices or low wages. IFM not only distributes a million dollars worth of food each year to children, senior citizens, and adults, we offer nutrition education and cooking classes to our clients.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: [Click here to enter text.](#) IFM appreciates the support of many grocery stores, community businesses and the partnerships of United Way, Nevada County Public Health department and CalFresh against hunger in Nevada County.

Agency, Organization, Other: Nevada County Community Library

Name & Position: Lisa Nowlain, Youth Librarian

Contact Info: lisa.nowlain@co.nevada.ca.us, 530-470-2693

Ages you work with: 0-18+ parents/caregivers

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: We are here to partner with you! We can do pop-up libraries, site visits, and support your information and media needs. We can provide booklists and library cards, introductions to the library's resources, and events for all ages. I want to bring our free resources to your stakeholders, and we want to know what you need from us, especially with Measure A funds coming in this summer.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Agency, Organization, Other: One Source – Empowering Caregivers

Name & Position: Donna Raibley, Executive Director

Contact Info: 530-205-9514/ 530-802-6154

Ages you work with: 18+

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your

organization?: The mission of One Source – Empowering Caregivers (OSEC) is to improve quality of life for caregivers and care recipients. This is accomplished through provision of cost free, high quality, non-medical respite care, and community resource referrals for those who are providing care at home. At this time, the caregiver demand is greater than what we can accommodate with our existing volunteer pool. In order to meet the growing demand, OSEC is planning to expand our community outreach to recruit additional volunteers and provide the essential tools for a second training to be held April 22, 29, and May 6. Anyone who is interested in participating can do so by calling **530-205-9514/ 530-802-6154** or by going to our website : empoweringcaregivers.org and fill out the inquiry form. Someone from OSEC will contact you for an appointment to go through the application process. Your support will be an important catalyst for insuring that the caregivers in our community receive the sustainable relief they deserve, and the hope they need. We think of this as an investment in our community with an enormous return, and we hope you do as well.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: We are building relationships with FREED, SNMH, Nevada County Health Dept., RSVP, Hospice of the Foothills, Helping Hands and many other organizations to provide seamless navigation for the caregiver caring for a loved one at home.

Agency, Organization, Other: Parents' Resource Guide

Name & Position: Loydyne Lane – Director, Advertising and Marketing

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Ages you work with: Focus on families and children 16 and under

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: We are a central point for distributing information throughout our community.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: We publish articles at no charge on community activities and events through our quarterly magazine and our website and facebook page.

Agency, Organization, Other: Read Up Adult Literacy- Nevada County Library

Name & Position: Alan Archer - Director

Contact Info: (530) 470-2772 alan.archer@co.nevada.ca.us

Ages you work with: 16 and older, not still enrolled in high school

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Our free program helps English speaking adults improve their reading and writing skills by matching them, one-on-one, with volunteer tutors with whom they meet weekly for 1-2 hours at a time and location for their convenience.

Research has shown that children of parents with low literacy skills are likely to enter school with neither the language nor the pre-reading skills needed to succeed at literacy acquisition, nor the motivation to practice reading. Conversely, parents who frequently ask their children questions and respond to the questions the children ask, who provide a print-rich environment, read to their children, who demonstrate reading's ability to solve problems and make reading an enjoyable experience, are helping their children develop strong oral language skills and preparing them for learning how to read in school.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration:

Your help can be life changing – If you know an adult who could benefit from improved literacy skills – the speaking, reading and writing of English – you have the opportunity to make a tremendous contribution to their life, and their children's lives, by encouraging them to enroll in our program: **Read Up Adult Literacy Program – 530-470-2772 readup@co.nevada.ca.us**

Agency, Organization, Other: Sierra Commons

Name & Position: Hilary Hodge, Executive Director

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Ages you work with: Adults

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Sierra Commons is a non-profit business education center and coworking space. A member of the Nevada County community for over seven years, we have helped more than 100 businesses and individuals get started and stay successful.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: We currently work with the Chambers of Commerce to connect businesses and entrepreneurs to mentoring and classes.

Agency, Organization, Other: Sierra Forever Families

Name & Position: Michelle Young Permanency Specialist

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Ages you work with: 0-18 (occasionally to 21)

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: We are a licensed Foster Adoption Agency and have been in Nevada Co. since 1983. We hold monthly orientations about Foster Care Adoption. We train, support and approve Resource Family Foster Homes. In addition, we have three other programs in our Nevada City office; Family Preservation, Therapy and Support Services, and Destination Family. We hold monthly Post Adoption Support Group for any Nevada Co. family who has adopted a child.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Sierra Forever Families is looking for opportunities to collaborate with community partners, including the school system, faith based organizations, businesses, and clubs, to help spread the word that we need more Resource Families. When there is not an approved local home available for kids in Foster Care, children are moved to other counties, where the pool of available homes may be larger. Removing kids from their county of origin adds insult to injury for the child, and it is not beneficial for the community. While we work with families, interested in all ages, we are giving extra effort to recruiting families for sibling sets and children over 6.

Agency, Organization, Other: Sierra Nevada Children's Services

Name & Position: Lourdes Vose

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Ages you work with: 0-13

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: In addition to providing subsidized childcare in Nevada and Sierra Counties we have The Learning Center (TLC) which consists of a Lending Library, available to families and child care providers and a Play Center where we offer structured playgroups organized by a skilled facilitator.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: We will need a facilitator for our Infants group, Baby Steps. Keep this in mind if you know anyone that enjoys working with infants.

Agency, Organization, Other: Sierra Streams Institute

Name & Position: Joanne Hild, Executive Director; Katy Janes, Geomorphologist, Watershed Coordinator

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Ages you work with: all ages

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: Sierra Streams' mission is: Linking water, science and people to protect and improve human and environmental health.

Current collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Sierra Streams' programs include: comprehensive watershed monitoring, assessment and restoration; education; training of other groups and agencies in community-based watershed stewardship practices; lab services; and research. We work with local, state, and federal agencies, as well as universities and community groups to find solutions to the problems that afflict watersheds and human communities throughout the region.

We are a citizen science - based organization so we encourage community members to join us in developing projects, taking data and understanding the meaning of the data and how to translate it into solutions.

Agency, Organization, Other: The Friendship Club

Name & Position: Dena Valin, Associate Director

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Ages you work with: 10-18 (grades 6-12)

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: The Friendship Club's (TFC) mission is to engage, empower and educate girls at risk. It is a free comprehensive, long-term, year-round prevention program for girls after school, during school breaks and in the summer, that provides intensive social and emotional support and helps build important life skills for them to grow up confident and successful. The program staff are all professionals led by the Program Director who is a credentialed teacher and has her Doctorate of Education degree. Girls typically start the summer before 6th grade and stay in the program with their cohort until they graduate high school (7 years). This helps them build strong ties and healthy relationships with each other, the staff, the volunteers that support program activities, and the mentors they are matched with. All TFC activities focus on building girls' strengths and incorporating one of our six impact areas of Health and Wellness, Self-Awareness, Goal Setting, Self-Sufficiency, Healthy Relationships, and Community Connectedness. TFC also provides academic support through homework help and one-to-one tutoring for girls struggling academically in school, helps prepare them for college through the College Knowledge program, and provides for some basic needs by taking them clothes, shoes, and school supply shopping, providing them with nutritious home-cooked meals every time they are with us, and helping their families apply/connect to needed services such as CalFresh, affordable/transitional housing, medical insurance, mental health care, and drug rehabilitation. Girls are referred to The Friendship Club by school staff, local behavioral therapists and other nonprofit organizations using our online referral form. TFC interviews the girls and the parents/guardians to make sure that the girls want to be in The Friendship Club, the parents/guardians are supportive of their participation, the girls are a good fit, and that they are committed to attending regularly.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: TFC works closely with Nevada County Behavioral Health, Public Health and Social Services, as well as other nonprofits providing services that our families often need: DVSAC, WOW, Food Bank/Interfaith Food Ministries, CoRR, Salvation Army etc. Although TFC collaborates some with other youth-serving organizations, such as NEO, Gold Country YMCA, Big Brothers Big Sisters and Child Advocates, it is interested in exploring more opportunities for collaboration with these and other nonprofits. We are particularly interested in working with other youth serving organizations to educate our community about each organization's unique contributions to youth development and to dispel any myths that we duplicate services and compete for donor dollars. The needs of our youth are far reaching and no single organization can meet those needs alone—we all need to work together to extend our reach into the youth community and ensure that we are collaborating and complimenting each other.

Agency, Organization, Other: United Way of Nevada County

Name & Position: Megan Timpany , Executive Director

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Ages you work with: All Ages

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: United Way of Nevada County is currently focused on striving to assure that individuals and families in Nevada County are able to meet their need for food, emergency shelter and access to healthcare.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: Currently we are going through our funding process .

Agency, Organization, Other: Young Parents Program/Cal-Learn

Name & Position: Jolene Hardin- Case Manager

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Ages you work with: 20 and under

What would you like colleagues in the community to know and understand about your organization?: The Young Parents Program of Nevada County provides case management services to expectant and parenting teens, both male and female that reside in Nevada County. It is a voluntary program that can enroll expectant or parenting youth up until the day before their 19th birthday. Youth can remain enrolled and receive services from the program until they reach their 19th birthday **and** have been in the program for 24 months. Visits are scheduled twice a month and can happen in a variety of setting with home visits every quarter. The purpose of the Young Parents Program is to address the social, health, educational, and economic consequences of adolescent pregnancy and child bearing by providing comprehensive case management services to expectant and parenting teens and their children. The Young Parents Program emphasizes Positive Youth Development, which essentially is a curriculum focusing on and building upon the adolescents' strengths and resources. A major role of the program is assisting the youth and their children in accessing appropriate services including Medical Care (including prenatal and postpartum care), Family Planning, School Support Services, Social Services, Substance Abuse Intervention, Mental Health Services, Parenting Education, Health Education, Domestic/Relationship Violence, Legal Assistance, Employment Opportunities, Housing Assistance, Nutrition Counseling, Oral Health. Transportation is available and provided to the young parents to support access to resources, appointments, and other important obligations. Currently, the Young Parents Program has lost the state funding that has kept the program running for many years. The current finding will end June 30, 2017. We are attempting community outreach in the hopes of coming up with ideas and other funding options to keep the program going. Anyone interested in helping can contact the Case Manager at the number listed above.

Cal-Learn follows the Young Parents Program model however, Cal-Learn is a mandatory program for expectant and parenting teens who receive CalWORKS/TANF. The goal of the program is to help the young parents graduate from high school. Cal-Learn provides cash bonuses for good grades and can also help with childcare expenses, transportation expenses, and school expenses. Although Cal-Learn and the Young Parents Program share a Case Manager, they are separate programs with separate funding streams. Therefore, Cal-Learn is not affected by the Young Parents Program funding cuts.

Current Collaborations &/or Opportunities or Desires for Collaboration: The Young Parents Program/Cal-Learn currently has MOU's and/or collaboration agreements with Public Health, FTHB, Head Start, WSMC and WIC. The Case Manager is a member of the CSN-CAPC Board, the Breastfeeding Coalition Council of Nevada County, and the Childcare Coordinating Council of Nevada County. Desired collaborations would be with any and all agencies working with youth as well as young adults, parents and families.