

Fond du Lac School District, Fond du Lac, WI

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Background

- Fond du Lac North-Eastern Wisconsin
- Small urban area
- Demographics as of 2010
 - 47,970 Population FDL and NFDL
 - 95% white
 - 2% Hispanic (any origin)
 - 2% Black
 - 1% Asian
 - 18.5% households income < \$25,000 per year
 - 8.4% City of FDL May 2011 Unemployment

Rate



Background

• 2 Districts:

Fond du Lac, SSHS grantee, 9 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, 1 high school & 1 alternative high school, approx. 7,300 students

North Fond du Lac, 1 primary school, 1 elementary school, 1 middle school, 1 high school & 1 alternative high school, approx. 1250 students.

- History of community collaboration
- Focus on Mental Health Services

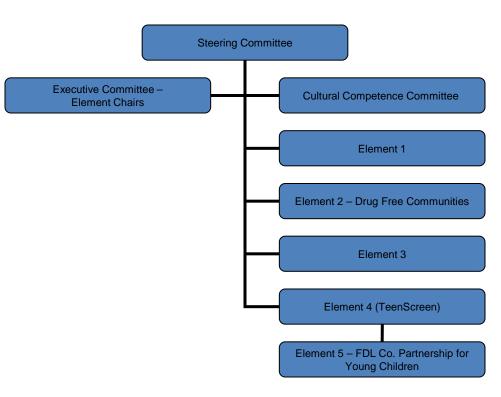
Steering Committee (CMT)

22 members on Steering Committee At least one decision-maker per organization

CSI Steering Committee Members Include:

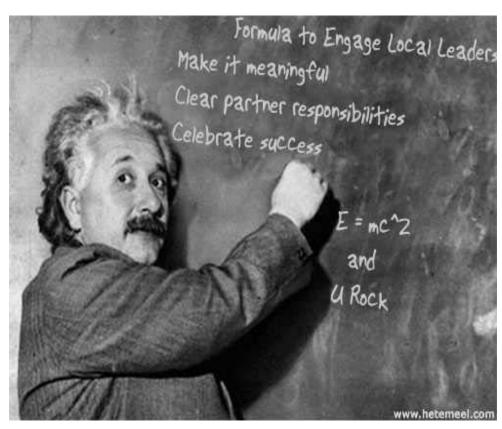
- 2 Public School Districts
- Sheriff's Department
- City Police Department
- County Juvenile Court Services
- Fond du Lac County Public MH
- 2 Hospital Systems and one other private MH Provider
- County Department of Social Services
- County Health Department
- County Birth to 3 Svs.
- Boys and Girls Club of Fond du Lac
- Drug Free Communities of Fond du Lac County

125+ school and community representatives overall
Some decision-makers, some front-line



Developing Local Leaders

- Build on Success
- Allow partners to function within their area of passion and expertise
- Make it meaningful for their organizations and for them personally

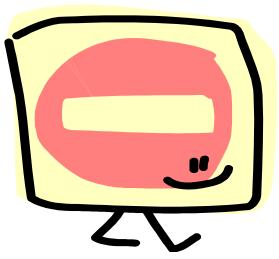


Challenges in Developing Leaders

Meetings with poor focus

Partners serving as advisors; staff doing the work

"Talking Heads"



Successes

Leading for Change and Legacy Wheel processes

Using surveys to gather Steering Committee

input

Adjusting to stay on course



Addressing the Cultural and Linguistic Needs

- Cultural competence committee
- Hispanic (2-3%) Black (2%) Hmong (1.5%)
- Focus on cultural competence
- Interpreter training provider/professional

training



Local Leaders Role in Sustainability Survey completed – 83% participation rate (19 out of 23 members completed)

Rated key programs and outcomes into high, middle and low priority groups for sustaining

Open-ended questions:

what will it take to sustain top priorities what resources does the community have what resources can your organization offer

Helpful Tidbits and Parting Words

- Build on what is working in your community
- Traveling meetings
- Partner chaired committees
- Staff as facilitators, rather than drivers
- Small, deliberate steps know why what you're doing will move you toward your goal!

