Harford County

Harm Reduction Community Advisory Board Wednesday, April 13, 2022 Virtual meeting via Google Hangouts Meet

In Attendance: Allison I, Austin T, Clay A, Shawn P, Jack L, Kelci R, Jacqui R, Chris G, Jason B, Greg F, Karen F, Margaret K, Sandi G, Tara L Marcus W

- 1) Introductions/Icebreaker
- 2) Harm Reduction for People who Trade Sex (see attached)
 - a) Jacqui Robarge Founder and Executive Director Power Inside
 - b) Founded in 2001, Power Inside is a holistic harm reduction organization for women in Baltimore. Power Inside co-creates safe spaces where women celebrate their strengths, heal from violence, and work toward justice.
 - c) Peer built and led by women with lived experience with substance use and sex work
- 3) Open Discussion:
 - a) Actively listen and meet them where they are
 - b) Voices goes out and does outreach with sex workers
 - i) They use someone with lived experience to connect
 - c) Does Male vs Female make difference?
 - i) Feedback that it is a positive experience from survivors (F) with lived experience.
 - d) Information on Best Practices?
 - i) See attached
- 4) Workgroup/Organization Updates
 - a) Voices of Hope
 - i) New houses opening up
 - ii) Yard sale on the 23rd
 - iii) Syringe delivery beginning on July 1st

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 11th

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