

Gang Prevention Community Action Team
Southwest Fresno County Unincorporated Areas

April 8, 2008 Meeting Notes

Icebreaker: Top Priority to Address Gang Issue

- Law Enforcement (0)
- Community Education (12)**
- After school programs/Youth Centers (0)
- Data & Evaluation (2)
- Education/Job Training (3)**

Brainstorm of Community Resources/Potential Resources¹

Community Service Districts	Community Members	Parks
Caruthers Fair board	Service Clubs (Lions, Rodeo Assoc.)	Teen Club (church sponsored)
Churches/Faith Community	Youth Leadership Institute	Sheriff Athletic League
Schools	Sports Leagues	
Chamber of Commerce	Community Center/Recreation programs	

Challenges/Barrier

Challenge	Possible Solution
Lack of services locally (mental health, substance abuse, law enforcement, probation)	Develop School Consortium to leverage additional resources
Lack of Coordination/Communication and commitment	Knock down “silos”
Need connection of resources to the target populations	
Dealing with work schedules, and connection with employers to reach families	Connect /communicate with employers
How to locate and provide positive opportunities	YLI offers stipends to youth for participation in their program

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NEXT MEETING - TBA

¹ Potential resources identify assets in the community that have not necessarily been tapped into specifically to address gang-related issues, but would be primary targets.