

Social Services Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

6/4/2024



Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 4:01pm on 6/4/2024 at the Sunrise Senior Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Sharon Baron- Present
Abdul Basit- Present
Olivia Coleman- Present
Patricia Louis-Mills- Present

Harvey Soufrine- Present
Gisel Suarez- Present
Amanda Walch – Present

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from meeting were approved.

Open Discussion

No open discussion.

Presentation by: Sylvie Sterlin with National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Broward County. NAMI offers over 1000 national affiliates! Wherever you go, there is a NAMI available to you. NAMI's mission is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with mental illness and their families through support, education, and advocacy. Their goals are to advocate at the county, state, and national levels for non-discriminatory access to quality healthcare, housing, education, and employment for people with mental illness. Mental health is often stigmatized so NAMI creates community for individuals who may be diagnosed with a mental health condition. NAMI does not replace mental health professionals they basically bridge the gap by offering different support groups, programs, and services lead by individuals who themselves are in recovery. They provide peer to peer one on one care mentoring.

New Business

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of **May**:

Fee waivers: 12 approved
Medical Transportation: 8
Food Pantry: 3 Families
Total Contacts: 133
EAF: 1

New Business

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of **June**:

Fee waivers: 19 approved
Medical Transportation: 2
Food Pantry: 7 Families
Total Contacts: 102
EAF: 0
Durable Medical Supplies: 1 W/C loan

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:35pm. Next meeting will take place on August 6, 2024 at 4:00pm.

Minutes prepared by: Christy Martino