

Social Services Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

8/6/2024



Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 3:59pm on 8/6/2024 at the Sunrise Senior Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Sharon Baron- Present

Abdul Basit- Present

Olivia Coleman- Absent Excused

Patricia Louis-Mills- Absent Excused

Harvey Soufrine- Present

Gisel Suarez- Present

Amanda Walch – Present

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from meeting were approved.

Open Discussion

No open discussion.

Presentation by: Phil Bulone a registered Mental Health Counselor Intern with Mental Health America and LOSS Team Director. Mental Health America advances the mental health and well-being of all people living in the U.S. through public education, research, advocacy and public policy, and direct service. Mental Health America is the nation's leading national nonprofit dedicated to the promotion of mental health, well-being, and illness prevention. Their work is informed, designed, and led by the lived experience of those most affected. Operating nationally and in communities across the country, Mental Health America advocates for closing the mental health equity gap while increasing nationwide awareness and understanding through public education, direct services, tools, and research. A few things that MHA offers is Community Education and Engagement, Mental Health Screening and Research, Youth Programs and Peer Leadership, Workplace Resources, Advocacy and Public Policy, and Information and Referral services.

New Business

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

Fee waivers: 64 approved

Medical Transportation: 5

Food Pantry: 7 Families

Total Contacts: 194

EAF: 0

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:35pm. Next meeting will take place on September 3, 2024 at 4:00pm.

Minutes prepared by: Christy Martino