

BMAC: Bloomfield Municipal Alliance Committee



Minutes for Bloomfield Municipal Alliance Quarterly Meeting

This March 9, 2022 regular (quarterly) meeting of the Bloomfield Municipal Alliance is called to order. Public Notice of this meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was given by public notice appearing in *The Bloomfield Life* and posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and Health Department website. Public comments on matters of public health or any item on the Agenda shall be called by the chair prior. Individual comment will be limited to five minutes per person. Citizens who desire to address the alliance with more detailed comments are asked to do so in writing, one week in advance to allow the committee to become familiar with the subject. The public shall not be recognized at other times than those called for herein.

I. Roll Call

Christopher Jennings	Present
Carol Manning	Absent
Karen Lore	Present
Frank Grauso	Present
Judy Fischman	Present
Paula Peikes (Chair)	Present
Sarah Cruz	Absent
Shakira Drones	Present
Dina Pressel (Coordinator)	Present
Michael Scurman	Present
Jody Polidoro	Absent
Samantha Bunsu (Guest)	Present

II. Approval of previous meeting minutes – none to approve at this time.

III. Vote to appoint BMAC Coordinator – Vote conducted and Dina Pressel was approved as coordinator.

IV. **Budget** – discussed the budget and that this budget will be the same for FY2023

FY 2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

ALLIANCE BUDGET							
Alliance Name:	Bloomfield	County:	Essex	Grant Year:	2022	Last Updated:	5/7/2021
PROGRAM	DEDR AWARD TOTAL	DEDR			CASH MATCH	IN-KIND	PROGRAM TOTAL
		PERSONNEL/TWP EMPLOYEE	CONSULTANT	OTHER DIRECT COST			
Alliance Coordination	2,000.00	2,000.00					2,000.00
Summer Prevention/Enrichme	3,500.00	3,500.00					3,500.00
Mental Health Programming	8,000.00		3,500.00	4,500.00			8,000.00
DARE	0.00				3,375.00	10,125.00	13,500.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	13,500.00	5,500.00	3,500.00	4,500.00	3,375.00	10,125.00	27,000.00

V. **FY 2022 Funding Discussion (Mental Health Programming)**

- **Summer Prevention/Enrichment** – Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Summer Camp (Summer, 2021)
- **Assemblies & Water Bottles/Pamphlets for Bloomfield High School Seniors** – April 28 Stephen Hill <https://speaksobriety.com/>
- **Hooked On Fishing Not On Drugs** (June 5)
- **DARE**

VI. Educational Sessions

- Free Naloxone Training March 18 @ 2pm – please attend & share this event! (typo corrected from agenda)

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PREVENT OPIOID OVERDOSE, SAVE LIVES

In case of overdose, use naloxone

**FREE TRAINING via WEBEX and
NALOXONE NASAL SPRAY KITS SHIPPED**

March 18 @ 2pm

To attend email your **full name, email address, and mailing address**
to: reference@bloomfield.bccls.org

You will be emailed a link to the webinar the day before.

Be part of the solution: Get Help to Prevent & Treat Addiction

RWJMS and the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services have partnered together to offer the following **FREE** activities and services, brought to you by the Bloomfield Public Library, the Bloomfield Municipal Alliance Committee and the Bloomfield Health Dept:

Sit for the live presentation from home by clicking a link and after the Webex, free naloxone kits will be shipped out via UPS to training attendees (including family members, friends, professionals and individuals who are at risk or could be in the presence of someone who is at risk for an overdose). Trainings of overdose death prevention strategies including the appropriate administration of naloxone and rescue breathing



- **WISE (Wellness Initiative for Senior Education)** currently being held in-person on Mondays at Heritage Village. This is a 6 session program (1 session per week). Dina has been asked to speak during session #5 on seniors and substance abuse.
- **Gambling Addiction: Date TBD** – Can this be held in-person AND over Zoom? Does the library have the technical capability to do this?

VII. Social Media Posts

Marijuana IQ Quiz: How much do you really know about the effects & risks of marijuana?

Youth Substance Use Prevention Presentation by United States Drug Enforcement Administration

Drug Paraphernalia – How Much Do You Really Know?

Marijuana The Risks Are Real

VIII. Legalization of Recreational Marijuana

The committee discussed the legalization of recreational marijuana and questions/concerns about its impact on the community. Members agreed on the need to learn more about the 6-8 potential sites in Bloomfield for marijuana sales. Members also discussed whether the zoning for these sites will take into account proximity to both schools and parks. Dina to schedule a meeting with Bonnie Flynn for some BMAC members to learn more about this process.

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