

Skagit County Law & Justice Council

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WEDNESDAY, October 10, 2018
8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Attendance:

WILL REICHARDT

DAVID SVAREN

LISA TREMBLAY

KATIE MARTIN

LADESSA CROUCHER

DEANNA RANDALL-

SECRET

DON MARLOW

CATHERINE SISK

MARGARET ROJAS

LIN TUCKER

DALE RAGAN

DANICA SESSIONS

ROB SULLIVAN

TIM HOLLORAN

MIKE ELLIS

MIKE LUVERA

JULIA JOHNSON

BRENT THOMPSON

PHIL MCLAUGHLIN

JERRY DODD

DEANNIE NELSON

DONNELL AUSTIN

RICHARD BROCKSMITH

I. Welcome – Will Reichardt, Chair

Chair Will Reichardt called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. and welcomed the Council and guests.

II. Introductions

Attendees, present at the start of the meeting, introduced themselves. The list of names of those attending the meeting is listed above.

III. Jail Update – Chief Don Marlow

Chief Marlow advised the jail is currently housing 265-270 inmates. The jail offers the following programs to the inmates: RSAT program (Residential Substance Abuse Treatment), WorkSource/Goodwill, the SVC Life Transitions College Class, and an underground writing class.

IV. Presentation: MV HOPE (Mount Vernon: Healthy Outcomes through Prevention Efforts) by Sgt. Brent Thompson of MVPD and Danica Sessions, a behavioral health education specialist with Skagit County.

An informative presentation was given by Sgt. Brent Thompson of MVPD and Danica Sessions with Skagit County about the MV Hope program. MV Hope was created to provide a community-wide approach to substance use prevention for our youth. MV Hope Coalition consists of multi-sector representation from

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within our community, including schools, healthcare, local/tribal government, law enforcement, treatment and recovery services, etc. The primary focus of MV Hope is substance use prevention with youth in the community, ages 8 – 13 being the target population.

It is an upstream approach using strategies designed to create environments and conditions that support health and the ability of individuals to withstand challenges. Prevention, treatment, and recovery are also incorporated into this multi-pronged approach.

The goal of the MV Hope program is to develop and implement strategies to prevent and reduce opioid and other substance use in Mount Vernon youth.

You can find more information on the program by going to the county website: skagitcounty.net and clicking on the link for Law & Justice Council. The presentation is under the October 10, 2018 minutes section.

Upcoming Events

V. [Announcements](#)

Sheriff Reichardt suggested moving the November meeting to the 7th due to the unavailability of several members on the 14th.

VI. [Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 7, 2018](#)

VII. [Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.](#)