

# **Facet/Committee Reporting Form**

Name of Facet/Committee: National Trends and Services Facet

Date/ Time/Location of Meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2024-7:00 PM - Via Zoom

#### **Members Present:**

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o Elisabeth Clark-Adams, Lisa Harbor Carter, Jewell Debnam, Judy Grant, Jo Emily Knox, , Rhonda Ricks, Robin Steele

## **Summary of Meeting (Dot Points):**

- Linkspiration by Link Lisa Harbor Carter
- Integrated/Umbrella Program: NTS donated \$300 to Howard Community College's Fueling Dragon program to provide food for the students. Voter Registration Drive at HCC still under review.
- Grassroots update: "Positive Interaction Program" (help with stress of being in a shelter). Event on March 14<sup>th</sup> with 12 participates and 9 completed surveys. The next Positive Interaction Event will take place on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Plan to secure date in April for the Annual Fish Fry Dinner. Voter Registration Drive date TBD. Planning for April timeframe. The Board of Elections shared that there is no formal certification training. A PowerPoint was provided on how to conduct a Voter Registration Event. The information will be sent out under separate cover.
- Maryland Links Advocacy Day in Annapolis will take place on March 6<sup>th</sup>. We had a number of Link sisters participate.
- Links at the Capitol took place on March 20<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> we had great representation.
- Black K.A.R.E. Initiative Link Lisa provided updates. Successful event at the Black History Expo on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. The bus ads are running on 8 buses through April 15<sup>th</sup>. The second event will take place on March 30<sup>th</sup> at St. John Baptist Church which will

include Kidney screening conducted by the National Kidney Foundation. Committee working through remaining program activities, milestone dates and reporting deliverables.

## • Focus January – April 2024

- o Finalize next Positive Interactions Grassroots (April 18th).
- o Secure Voter Registration training/certifications
- o Finalize date for Voter Registration at Grassroots
- o Finalize date for Voter Registration at HCC
- o Provide support of Black K.A.R.E initiative
- o Solidify Integrated/Umbrella Program and NTS deliverables

Activity Objective(s)	Total # of Attendees	Resources Utilized	Outcomes
Improve mental anxiety through "Positive Interaction Programs"  Grassroots	March 14 Event Total – 12 attendees 3 – Women, 5 Men and 4 Children	Games	Survey administered to 9 participants. Three survey questions -Did you enjoy the event? 9 YES -What did you enjoy the most?  "It is an opportunity to have healthy social interaction which is important to mental health"  "I enjoy having something to do outside of being in my room"  "I like the unity of it ALL"  "The games"  "Winning for the first time - Would you like to continue the event?  9 YES .
Reduce Food Insecurity  Grassroots	Not an event but an opportunity to feed the	Provided \$300 donation	Providing food for students in need.

Howard Community College	students in need.		
Increase Voter Registration in Howard County Grassroots and HCC	TBD		Number of individuals registered
Supporting Transition From Homelessness to Housing	Provided 10 housewarming kits for 10 residents which included items in the following categories  -Cleaning Supplies  -Kitchen items  - Bathroom items  -Bedroom items  -Laundry items  - Gift cards	In-kind donation of supplies	10 individuals have items for their new home since no longer homeless.

Signature of Facet/Committee Chair: Rochelle Míchaux-Conway

**Date: April 4, 2024** 

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