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# PORTLAND, OREGON

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# PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL

April 24th, 2014

TO:

Mayor Charlie Hales

Commissioner Fish Commissioner Novick

Commissioner Saltzman

Auditor LaVonne Griffin-Valade

FROM:

Commissioner Amanda Fritz Amarc

SUBJECT:

Presentation to City Council on Wednesday, April 30th at 9:30 am, by Janus Youth,

SARC, and BoyStrength representatives to update on grant funded services for human

trafficking.

We have invited staff members from each of these organizations to present updates on the services provided for survivors of human trafficking.



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### **BoyStrength Program Project**

Status Update April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

#### Staff:

In March, two Assistant Program Specialists were hired for BoyStrength. One staff person is focused on curriculum development, and the other is focused on development of the volunteer training program for men. Both employees took part in portions of the WomenStrength/GirlStrength spring volunteer training that was relevant to their job and BoyStrength. Some training they participated in: Understanding Oppression; Commercial Exploitation of Children; Rape history and culture; Dating violence and healthy relationships; Gang involvement of youth as well as working with students with disabilities; men, media and violence; and classroom management.

#### Consultants:

We have utilized the two consultants that were in our proposal. One has contributed to the curriculum development with his expertise of engaging men to end violence against women. He has an equity lens that keeps us on task in regards to spotting privilege and gender inequity.

The other consultant is a database analyst. She has successfully developed and installed the first version of the BoyStrength database which will house the pre and post surveys and create reports from those surveys. Another database update will be implemented in May, and follow up in June.

#### Material:

In preparation for the pilot of BoyStrength, the following materials and supplies were ordered: BoyStrength T-Shirts (to be worn by all instructors); visual aids to assist in teaching; bracelets for the boys at their graduation; supplies including speakers (for music in class), soft basketballs, and other small items to be put in class bags.

**Training:** Received from YogaCalm was attended 4 staff and 4 potential volunteer instructors. YogaCalm has proven success in working with youth nationwide. BoyStrength will be incorporating some of their activities into our curriculum, including breathing, mindfulness, yoga poses and activities around empathy and strength.

Volunteer training for men will begin on June 7<sup>th</sup>. The goal is to train 10 men (72 hours of volunteer training) who will teach with trained GirlStrength instructors to lead summer camps.

#### Classes and Workshop:

The first BoyStrength workshop was taught at Catlin Gabel School on April 11<sup>th</sup>, and was a success. It was a 6 hour workshop with 35 boys in the class. The curriculum was well received, and instructors also realized some kinks that needed to be worked out. The first BoyStrength program began at Vestal School on April 16<sup>th</sup> and has 25 students in it. The next BoyStrength program will begin at Open Meadows school on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Both Open Meadows and Vestal were chosen because they are in highly trafficked areas. Concurrent GirlStrength programs are happening in Catlin, Vestal and Open Meadows.

# Agenda No. **REPORT** Title

Report to Council on grant funded services for the survivors of human trafficking.

(Ordinance) Report

INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Comm. Fritz	CLERK USE: DATE FILED APR 2 5 2014
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales	Auditor of the City of Portland
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	By:
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	Deputy
Position 4/Safety - Novick	ACTION TAKEN:
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Bureau: Ofc of Commissioner Fritz Bureau Head: Commissioner Fritz	APR 30 2014 ACCEPTED
Prepared by: T. Bizeau Date Prepared: 4/24/14	
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement	
Completed ⊠ Amends Budget □	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes □ No ⊠	
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter	
Council Meeting Date 4/30/14	

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Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	
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