



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

REP. CHRISTINE MORSE

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, February 28,
2024

Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol
Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services was called to order by Chair Morse.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Morse, Martus, Hood, Brabec, O'Neal, Puri, Farhat, Price, Skaggs, Snyder, Green, Bollin, Meerman, Kuhn, Steele.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Hood joined the committee remotely.

Representative Price moved to adopt the meeting minutes from February 21, 2024. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Dr. Sarah Lyon-Callo, Senior Deputy Director, Public Health Administration and Amy Epkey, Senior Deputy Director, Financial Services Operations, gave a presentation on the FY 2024-25 Executive Budget Recommendation for community violence intervention services to the Subcommittee. The department provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Dr. Lyon-Callo and Ms. Epkey received and answered questions from the Subcommittee. The department agreed to provide the following information to the Subcommittee:

1. Studies about the connection between community violence and chronic health issues.
2. Information on what current programs CVI grant recipients are using funding for within their communities.

Alia Harvey Quinn, Founder & Executive Director, Force Detroit and Christopher Ford, Advocacy and Campaigns Manager, Force Detroit gave a presentation on the work Force Detroit is doing to lower gun violence in their community. Ms. Quinn and Mr. Ford provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Ms. Quinn and Mr. Ford received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Dr. Paul Elam, PhD, Advance Peace Lansing & Chief Strategy Officer, Michigan Public Health Institute gave a presentation on the cost of gun violence and the efforts of the Advance Peace Initiative to lower gun violence in Lansing. Dr. Elam was accompanied by members of the Advance Peace Initiative.

Dr. Elam and members of Advance Peace received and answered questions from the Subcommittee.

Dr. Elam provided written testimony after the meeting.

Brandon Davis, Director of Oversight and Public Accountability, City of Grand Rapids and Eric Brown, President and CEO, Urban League of West Michigan gave a presentation on the Cure Violence Model in Grand Rapids. Mr. Davis and Mr. Brown provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Pastor Kareem Bowen, Healing. Engagement. Love. Presence. (H.E.L.P.) gave a presentation on the efforts of H.E.L.P. to reduce gun violence. Paster Brown provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Beth Berglin, Director of Public Policy & Strategy, Michigan Transformation Collective gave a presentation on the potential for Medicaid reimbursement for community violence intervention services. Ms. Berglin provided handouts to the Subcommittee.

Julie Lopez, Crime Stoppers of Flint and Genessee County also submitted a card.

There being no further business before the Subcommittee, Chair Morse adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.

Representative Christine Morse, Chair

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