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River Valley Rising Meeting

May 8th, 2018 8:00am-9:15am
49 Congress St, 3rd floor

Agenda & Introduction

I. RVR Updates

- **Prescription Drug Take Back Day** - Great turnout this year!! Rumford 118 pounds, Mexico 44lbs and Dixfield 108lbs (collected over 2 years).
- **Stall Talk**- June Stall Talk will be the end of school & summer safety. Throughout the summer Stall Talks will reference free programs happening in the area and summer feeding sites. Since schools will be closed we will focus on placing stall talks in our local businesses that are participating.
- **DFC Project Officer Visit- May 31st & Rumford Hospital 10am-12pm**
 - **Agenda** (for those who didn't attend we will e-mail the agenda)

Curtis Austin, Project Officer from DC, will be visiting our area at the end of the month. He will be going to see UNE in Biddeford, before coming to see us in Rumford. We are still waiting to see what his final travel plans are. On the agenda there is a finance meeting at 9 with key personnel at the River Valley Office, which will be followed by a coalition meeting at the hospital (Conference Room A) at 10am. We will meet from 10am-12pm and lunch will be served as well. After lunch taking we will do a tour of our community and meet with the youth coalition at the middle school kids at 2:30.

Tour of the Town (looking for suggestions of where we should go)

Waldo St.

Black Mountain

Rumford Falls

Roxbury

Carthage

Weld St. Dixfield

Congress St.

Mill

Med-Care (miles the buses do, PIn point on the map the miles that we serve)

Mountain Valley H.S

Town Office Mexico

Grow operations in town (Place across from Maine Made, Top of hill in Rumford, store in Mexico)



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Topic (What do we, RVR, want to share with our PO about our work and about our community)

All the different venues that RVR is serving and events that happen in our community

Police-rural empty role, K-9

Awareness that we bring to the children

Visual graph of what projects we do and who do we collaborate

HOT SPOTS

Relocation to different areas (homeless project)

Town MJ ordinance

- **Grants & Sustainability Funding-** We just submitted a grant to help fund our PhotoVoice project that we are hoping to do this summer with our youth coalition.
- **Rack Cards:** Parents Who Host Lose the Most will go out once again to all the HS for graduation, juuling & e-cig. Rack cards are new. Please share!
- **Graduation dates:** Mountain Valley June 7th & Dirigo June 8th
- **Photo opt!-** Doing a shoot with Gary Dolloff softball coach. Having the message “I don’t have the time to smoke pot, I am too busy coaching”

II. Community Update(s)

- **Oxford County Wellness Collaborative:** Spring Gathering is May 24th from 5-8pm at the Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church in Bryant Pond; RSVP please see their website or FB page for more information:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ocwc-spring-gathering-tickets-45777919991?aff=es2>
- **Oxford County Mental Health Services:** OCMHS was recently awarded a MeHAF grant and they need help collecting data from the public regarding our community’s health needs. RVR and RVHCC has shared the survey on our FB. If you can spare a few minutes please fill it out if you live in the River Valley Region.
- **Western Maine Addiction Recovery Initiative & Project Save ME Updates-**
 - Recovery Training on June 2,3,9,10
 - New Brochures, Posters and Stickers to get out into the community.
- **Faith:** Peter Cox is working with RVR to host an Interfaith Healing Service with address the opioid epidemic in the greater River Valley Region. We have host our first meeting on June 7th at noon time (new time) and lunch will be included.

Future Meeting Dates: Location to be determined

June 12, 2018

Vision: A safe and healthy community



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Thank you for continued support and commitment to RVR!

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