Welcome Dallas County = ReCAST



ReCAST

Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma

Other ReCAST Communities:

Oakland, Chicago, Baltimore, Flint, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Bexar County, Milwaukee, and **Baton Rouge**





History & Purpose of ReCAST grants

The grants promote **resilience** and **equity** through applying **evidence-based**, violence **prevention**, and community youth **engagement** programs. The grants will also help promote access to trauma-informed behavioral health services.



Why Dallas County?

- Multiple qualifying events in the last few years
 - July 7, 2016 (Downtown vigil/rally against police brutality led to attack on police officers)
 - Death of Jordan Edwards by Balch Springs PD
 - Attack on Dallas-Fire Rescue Paramedic
 - Community College Shooting
- These events impacted our communities, students, first responders, health systems

What is the Dallas County ReCAST Project?

- Dallas County ReJuvenATE
- Revitalize Juveniles through Acknowledgement,
 Training, and Empowerment
- Two year project in partnership with local communities



The Dallas County Model

Area of Impact:

75224, 75232, 75237

Characteristics:

Majority-Minority zip codes
30% of households below the FPL
High number of single parent
households
Low health insurance rates
Low education levels

- Training based outreach
- Individuals that come in contact with youth and their families before, during, and after trauma
- First responders, health professionals, educators and community based organizations



Community Partnerships

- Community Based Organizations
- Education Institutions
- Government
- Healthcare Organizations
- Law Enforcement
- Philanthropic Organizations
- Religious Groups
- Youth Organizations

- Help us magnify the reach of the project throughout Dallas County
- Attend trainings, be active participants
- Assist with feedback for the Community Needs Assessment
- Make your organizational resources available to the project
- Provide feedback to project staff



Developing a Community Strategic Plan

- Based on the community needs assessment
- Collaborative effort with project leadership, project partners and impacted communities.
- Building a better community through effective communication, collaboration, accountability and transparency.
- Planning and implementing culturally and linguistically appropriate trainings to develop sustainable community resources.



Next Steps...

- √ Join the Coalition
- ✓ Designate a staff member
- ✓ Keep the ReJuvenATE team up to date with what your organization is doing.
- ✓ Look for follow up emails regarding the Community Needs Assessment, Strategic Plan and Community Training Opportunities
- ✓ Participate in pre and post evaluation

