



*Working together so that all children and youth in Leeds & Grenville are safe, healthy and valued*

**Meeting Notes  
Lead Table  
May 5, 2021**

**In Attendance:** Jane Fullarton BBBS; Don Lewis UCDSB; Kimberley Gavan BDACI; Robyn Holmes Connect Youth; Darrell Dean MCCSS; Bonne Pidgeon Cougler South Grenville Foodbank; Sonya Jodoin Victim Services; Erin Lee Marcotte FCSSLG; Greg Francis BPS; Michelle Neville CDSBEO; Patricia Kyle LLGAMH; Sue Poldervaart RNJ Youth Services; Tome Turner DSLG; Jane Hess LLGHU; Trish Buote UWLG; Margaret Van Beers KidsInclusive; Rob Adams YMCA; Melissa Francis Immigration Partnership; Chris Radford UWLG; Lorena Crosbie CMHLG (chair); Margaret Fancy EKIOC

**1. Introductions**

Roundtable introductions were made.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Approved.

**3. Approval of Meeting Notes April 7**

Approved.

**4. Information Update -- South Grenville Foodbank Agency 2 Agency Programme - -Bonnie Pidgeon Cougler**

Bonnie provided information on the Agency 2 Agency programme at SG Foodbank. The programme assists other agencies with providing food access for clients. Agencies can call the foodbank to get access to a card/cart.

**5. Mutual Reinforcing Activities – Continuous Communication Business Arising**

**i) Recommendations from 2-1-1 work group (Margaret VB, Kimberley, Cecilia)**

Margaret reported that the conversation of the workgroup discussed relevance of 2-1-1; navigation challenges and the importance of the data 2-1-1 provides.

Recommendation that we continue to work with 2-1-1 to examine data in terms of demographics and needs/issues identified and to determine how to inform the “navigation” role. It is one of many tools assisting families in accessing the services they need. United Way continues to meet with 2-1-1 to determine local needs. Actions: Margaret F. will conduct an inventory to determine which agency has paid navigation roles. Every Door the Right Door to be an agenda item at a future meeting. Trish will communicate with 2-1-1 about data sharing.

## 6. Mutually Reinforcing Activities -- WAYS OF WORKING TOGETHER

### i) **Equity, Diversity and Inclusivity Planning – discussion on next steps (Erin Lee)**

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion – Erin Lee reviewed key messages from April 28 session. (Attached) Participants want more learning opportunities.

Discussion included:

- Jane F. asked about how to include welcoming messages
- Rob described the skills matrix for Y Board – ensuring diversity
- Erin commented on the importance of collecting identity data and working together toward E.D.I.
- We need to have courageous conversations
- Importance of land acknowledgments

#### **Actions:**

Members will send information on concrete steps they are taking now to support E.D.I (e.g. posters, forms) to Margaret F. who will compile and share.

Members will continue to explore financial resources for further learning.

**Margaret VB reminded us to remain idealistic, but keep grounded and positive.**

### ii) **Following up on Safety and Wellbeing Partners' Day Key messages –**

Reflection on April 23 Community Partners Day

Conversation on what information is being sought related to community partners. There is a will to bridge gaps between agencies and municipalities.

Sonya commented that we have to be realistic about what we can accomplish

Need to listen, seek to understand; there may be difficult conversations  
Need to understand services and mandate of others

Discussion around how we work with each other – need to understand each others mandates

Actions: Members will advise Margaret of any recommendations related to **Safety and Wellbeing Planning.**

**Action:** Sonya will lead a group in planning for an opportunity for share mandates/access to services. Michelle and Sue to assist

## 7. Continuous Communication/Shared Measurement

- i) **New Survey Tool CDSBEO (Michelle) tabled**
- ii) **Update on Schools (Don and Michelle) tabled**

## 8. Backbone

**Coordinator's Report**

**i) Asset Builders Event**

Margaret encouraged members to nominate Asset Builder

Last date for nominations May 19

Virtual Celebration – June 16

**9. Next Meeting**

**June 2 – How are we working together—strengths, overlap, gaps**

**Every Door the Right Door?**

**What is our plan?**