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NEWS FLASH!

mcca receives mcknight grant

Dear Community Corrections Co-Workers,

The McKnight Foundation has awarded the MCCA a one-year grant for \$32,029. This is broken down as follows: Personnel \$17,782, Benefits \$4,036, Travel \$270, Telephone \$500, Postage \$100, Evaluation Services \$9,800, and Support Service \$341.

I will also serve one-fifth time as a technical assistant to Norb Barnes who takes over as the Director of Portland House.

This grant allows us one year to reach our goals to develop and promote our Association and community corrections in the Metro area. Our appreciation to the McKnight Foundation can be demonstrated by our work during the coming year.

Notice we have money for evaluation services. This means our transition from Crime Commission Evaluation to our own data collection should be organized. We are working with the State and the Counties to coordinate our efforts.

With the funding from the McKnight Foundation, M.C.C.A. has a new address and phone number. MARK YOUR BOOKS - M.C.C.A., 2414 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55402 -- Phone: 871-0221. Any correspondence should be mailed there.

Cordially yours,

Tom Christian

Thomas F. Christian, Chairperson
Metropolitan Community Corrections Association



Maintenance

A NEW COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAM IN NORTH MINNEAPOLIS -- TURNING POINT, funded by Hennepin County, serves black chemically dependent clients. This is a co-ed facility located at 1523 Emerson Avenue North. For more information contact Pete Hayden at 588-0884.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE. Next general meeting is Wednesday, October 20, at 3:00 p.m. at the Multi-Resource Center, 19th and Chicago. All interested women in corrections are invited to attend. For specific questions, contact Jackie Fleming at the Correctional Institution for Women - 445-3717.

CONGRATULATIONS to Norb Gernes who took over as director of Portland House on Oct. 1.

SURE GONNA MISS YA! ! !

The Community Corrections Training Center is closing its doors officially October 15. Everyone in Community Corrections will feel the loss. The MCCA wishes to offer the best of luck to the staff of the CCTC in their future endeavors.

Many special thanks to Carol Barrett of the Neighborhood Involvement Committee who spent much time working with us; Dianne Alsenbrey, who served on the Board of the MCCA and was instrumental in implementing the LEEP proposal; and Pat Hanson, who spent much of her own time helping with the printing of the newsletter.

Thanks ladies, you're going to be really missed. We know that you'll all want to keep involved with the MCCA to some degree. Our door is always open to you.

H.I.R.E.D (Helping Industry Recruit Employment Disabilities) has succeeded H.I.R.E. (Helping Industry Recruit Ex-Offenders). The agency's programs with ex-offenders will continue but with expanded efforts to promote the employment of the community's economically disadvantaged population. Administrative offices for H.I.R.E.D. remain at 1009 Nicollet Mall, Mpls. 55403. Phone: 348-8560.

A MEETING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED by the MCCA for its members who have some concerns with the change in program of H.I.R.E. This meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m., at Lutheran Social Services, 2414 Park Avenue, Mpls. Stan Kano from H.I.R.E. will be there to explain the change in format. All interested parties please plan to attend.

THE M.C.C.A. (BOARD OF DIRECTORS) has two vacancies to fill. Any interested persons should contact Tom Christian at 871-0221.

PLEA FOR HELP!

The Neighborhood Involvement Committee is really in need of your assistance.

This committee has the responsibility of setting up a workshop at the MCA Conference scheduled for November 4-5, printing a brochure descriptive of the M.C.C.A., publishing this, your newsletter, and organizing a telephone committee. We need people willing to get involved and invest some time in the future of community corrections. Please lend a hand, we need as many hands and minds as possible. Call Jacqui Wong at 338-0743 if you can help us.

WELCOME NEW M.C.C.A. MEMBERS. . .

Vincent L. Hayden - Turning Point, Inc.
Marilyn Martinson - Elan
Thomas Williams - Turning Point, Inc.
James Brown - Bremer House
Jack Young - Wilder Foundation

CORRECTIONS IN THE COMMUNITY:

FACT AND FUTURE

The annual Minnesota Corrections Association Conference will be held at the St. Paul Radisson on November 4 and 5, 1976. The basic theme of the conference is "Corrections: A Practice Searching for a Theory". As part of that search we would like to have strong input from community corrections practice. It is the intent of the MCCA to impact the MCA Conference on several levels.

First, the MCCA is creating a workshop for Friday, November 5 from 11:00 - 12:30. The title of the MCCA workshop is "Corrections in the Community: Fact and Future".

Besides the workshop, the MCCA will sponsor a booth and a hospitality room. Finally, the MCCA urges all its members to attend this conference, and to sponsor at least one staff person and one consumer or resident to attend. Many county and state personnel as well as institution personnel traditionally attend the MCA conference. We would like to see significant attendance from community corrections workers to support the concepts of community corrections.

REFLECTIONS KEEP REFLECTIONS?

The MCCA's fall general membership meeting, held September 22, focused on the proposed Hennepin County Operational Standards for Residential Treatment Programs. The meeting provided all MCCA members with an opportunity to go through the standards and recommend changes.

The changes that were suggested and agreed to will now be referred to the Hennepin County Criminal Justice Advisory Council along with a letter stating that the MCCA wishes to be involved in the on-going development of these standards and to participate in determining procedures for implementation and monitoring. If you would like specific information about the suggested changes, or for copies of the standards, contact the MCCA office, 2414 Park Avenue South, Minneapolis 55404 -- Phone 871-0221.

We'll be getting together in January for the next full membership meeting to elect board directors.

NEW MCCA MEMBERSHIPS RECEIVED AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 1976

WILL BE GOOD THROUGH DECEMBER 1977

WANTED!!!! YOUR MEMBERSHIP

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ASSOCIATION

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Minneapolis, Minnesota 55407

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ HOME PHONE _____
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ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____
WORK ROLE _____

VOTING MEMBER

Working in Community Corrections

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Interested in Community Corrections

Membership Dues: \$5.00 (Please enclose check)

LEEP GRANTS AND LOANS

The LEAA (legal office) is reviewing the MCCA position paper on grants and loans to community corrections workers. We intend to track progress made by staying in touch with the main office in Washington, D.C.

We encourage criminal justice students working in community corrections to apply to their respective financial aid offices for LEEP grants. Let the Board know if you encounter problems. We will advocate for you as best we can.

For information call 871-0221 at the MCCA office.

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