

Carolina Community Coalition

University of South Carolina Student Life

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Russell House, Room 304

Thursday, February 2, 2017

4:00-5:00 PM

Our Mission: *To create a campus community environment that promotes healthy and safe behaviors among faculty, students, and community organizations*

MINUTES

Today's Meeting Goal: *To learn about local law enforcement efforts*

- I. Introductions/Sign-In Janie Kerzan
Reps from Title IX office, FSL, Student Services, SAPE, Student Health, Corporal Peter from USCPD, Columbia PD

- II. Guest Speakers Captain Roberts, Columbia Police Department
Cpl. Peter & Captain Gooding, AET Party Patrols

Nick Peter – USC alc enforcement team
 - Richland County, Cola PD, LRADAC, USC PD
 - USC goal: prevent sexual assaults, alc overdose, educate students about keeping themselves safe
 - Over 90% of alc consumption occurs while binge drinking
 - 2013- SC cost of underage drinking = \$927.1mil
 - 62% of alcohol served to minors is provided by friends (social sources)
Capt Roberts – with CPD for 20+ years, capt of South Region which includes 5Pts
 - 5Pts has grown exponentially in past 2-3 years
 - Guardian vs Warrior mentality
 - Guardian = one who has the care of the person or property of another
 - Warrior = a person experienced in warfare, a person engaged in a struggle or conflict
 - In 5Pts – in guardian mentality, though prepared to switch if needed
 - Guardian: more approachable, less adversarial. Easier to go from G to W than W to G
 - Education initiatives:
 - Not there to lock people up, there to change people's behavior
 - Want lots of people there, want businesses to make money, but want people to be safe
 - Transportation map: shows where USC shuttles and taxis are, officers carry these around to help people get where they need to go
 - 5Pts safety tips, phone numbers, how to stay safe in groups, etc.
 - Coasters given out to bars – don't drink & drive. Officers carry boat-float style keychains as a tool to engage people in area.
 - Officer selection: calm & collected, able to stay focused, good addition to well-rounded team, knowledgeable
 - Primary focus is foot patrols, vehicles patrol outer limits, cars are parked in multiple areas to broaden patrol footprint

- During incident, find a job
- Have a “pitchman” – helps to de-escalate situation
- 30-40 cameras around the district help with evidence for solving crimes
- #s have increased, 2016 seemed rowdier than past year
 - 2012 (?) Operation Welcome Back: 149 arrests, 157 charges
 - 2015 Operation Fall Semester (same operation): 9 arrests, 18 charges
 - Focus is on eliminating crime, not to increase # of arrests
- Suggestions for bars – how to keep things safe, etc. Capt went to conference, took idea from NYPD – created manual and provide to bars, what PD expects from employees and staff of bar. Right before football season, has meeting with all bar managers and offers training for bouncers. Focus on education and crime prevention. Have fun & be safe – focus
- Is increase in 5Pts due to USC population? No – seems like all universities have increased. Last year- ok, usual underage. This year, far more underage patrons.

III. Key Updates Coalition workgroups, SAPE, SAVIP, OSC, USCPD
 Merchant Ed work group: Trained over 40 volunteers for Mon-Wed canvassing to encourage participation in training for bar staff on Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault and bystander intervention.

Laws & Enforcement work group: working on gathering info on drink specials, alc laws in SC, etc.

IV. Trending Article & Featured Coalition Janie Kerzan
 Article: [How Iceland Got Teens to Say No to Drugs](#) (The Atlantic)
 Coalition Best Practice: [Amherst Police explore ways to curb partying through ‘environmental changes’ to property](#) (Daily Hampshire Gazette)

V. Other business & announcements