



Community Impact Report **September 2017**

Community Planning Council – During the summer, the G UW concluded the nominating process for the Community Planning Council (CPC), which resulted in the addition of 13 new members, bringing the total to 36. In preparing for the upcoming CPC 2017-2018 year, David Rabin, Karen Keegan, and I reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding between the CPC and the G UW to reflect the CPC’s current practices and scope of operations. The Board will vote on this revised MOU at its September meeting, and assuming the Board approves it, the CPC will vote on the MOU at its September 19th meeting.

During the summer, with input from Sarah Bamford and Kim Eves, a CPC member and Director of Communications for the Greenwich Public Schools, we have also worked to develop a strategic communication plan for the CPC. The purpose of this plan is to more broadly disseminate to the public the information presented at the CPC on unmet human service needs in Greenwich. Finally, list of the CPC programs for the 2017-2018 year are attached. G UW Board members are welcome to attend any of the CPC monthly meetings.

Reading Champions – With the addition of Parkway School, RC will be in all GPS elementary schools for the first time since the program’s inception in 2008. The program has been on summer hiatus and kicks off in October.

GJrUW –. GJrUW members hosted two summer brainstorming sessions to discuss the year-long service learning project and student outreach to the public and private schools in Greenwich. The group will begin ramping up in September.

Nancy Weissler
Vice Chairman, Community Services and Programs



**COMMUNITY PLANNING COUNCIL
Meeting Dates and Topics: 2017-2018**

- **September 19: Older Adults:** Greenwich as an Age- and Dementia-Friendly Community
 - Lori Contadino, Director, Greenwich Commission on Aging
 - Donna Spellman, Executive Director, River House
 - Dr. Donna Phanumas, Geriatrician, Greenwich Hospital
- **October 17: Basic Human Needs/Mental Illness:** YWCA Domestic Abuse Services
 - Mary Lee Kiernan, President and CEO, YWCA Greenwich
 - Meredith Gold, YWCA Director of Domestic Abuse Services
 - Brent Reeves, Sergeant, Special Victim Unit Supervisor, Greenwich Police Department
- **November 21: Youth:** Update on Greenwich Public Schools
 - Superintendent, Dr. Jill Gildea
- **December 5:** Legislative breakfast —Town Hall Meeting Room at 7:30 am coffee, forum 8:00-9:30 am
 - First Selectman Peter Tesei
 - Senator Scott Frantz
 - Representative Livvy Floren
 - Representative Mike Bocchino
 - Representative Fred Camillo
- **January 16: Mental Health:** Stress, Anxiety and Depression in College Students and Adults
 - Margaret Watt, Executive Director, The Regional Mental Health Board for Southwestern Connecticut

--Other participants to be determined

- **February 20: Youth:** Restorative Justice and Interagency Team Programs

--Alan Barry, Commissioner of the Department of Human Services



--Other participants to be determined

- **March 20: Substance Abuse:** Opioid Crisis among Adults and Older Adults

--Alan Mathis, President and CEO, Liberation Programs

--Other participants to be determined

- **April 17: Youth:** Early Childhood Achievement Gap Solutions Forum at Town Hall Meeting Room

--Participants to be determined

- **May 15: Older Adults:** Site visit to Nathaniel Witherell

--Allen Brown, Executive Director, Nathaniel Witherell

--Larry Simon, Chair of Nathaniel Witherell Board

- **June 19: CPC wrap-up: Feedback and Future Topics**

*** Note: The CPC meetings on December 5 and April 17 will be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room and the May 15 meeting will be a site visit to Nathaniel Witherell. All other meetings are at Temple Sholom (300 East Putnam, Greenwich)**

