

Ladder Out of Poverty Task Force Meeting

Thursday, November 18, 2010

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Basement Hearing Room – State Office Building

Gathering and Call to Order

Working Group Reports

I. Community Supports/Social Assets Working Group

Overview (Rep. Morrie Lanning; Pam Johnson, Minnesota Community Action Partnership)

Model Overview Panel

- Circles of Support Alice Moren, Xavier Bell
- Search Institute: Zach Pruitt
- Minnesota Youth Alliance: Sarah Dixon
- Northern Connections: Maureen Kenney

II. Financial Literacy and Education Working Group

Overview of Financial Literacy/Education Map (Andrea Ferstan, Greater Twin Cities United Way; Dr. Cathy Solheim, University of Minnesota)

Research Overview (Dr. Cathy Solheim, University of Minnesota)

Financial Education/Literacy Models

- Consumer Credit Counseling and Debt Management Services/Bankruptcy
- Financial Coaching classes in Asset Bldg Programs (Dan Duhamel, OEO)
- Financial Opportunity Centers (Janayah Bagarusi, LISC)
- Train the Trainer (Claudia Parliament; Joelle Hoeft, OEO; Dr. Solheim, U of M)
- Integrated financial coaching and classes in to human services (Bernie Johnson, Family Means)

Summary of Work to Date

III. Asset Development/Wealth Building Working Group

Overview of Asset Development Work Group (Deborah Schlick, Affirmative Options)

Briefing on Asset Poverty (Ron Elwood, Legal Services Advocacy Project)

Discussion of Next Steps for the Task Force