



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

2015 Annual Report



“ Leaders in coordinating a system of care to advance mental health and wellness of individuals, families, and communities. ”

Community Partnerships celebrated its 15 year anniversary in 2015 which brought the opportunity to reflect, plan, and grow internally. As an organization we focused our efforts on our future by bringing together the CP Board of Directors, Leadership team, and staff to engage in a collaborative and interactive process to refresh and revise the agency Strategic Framework. From this process, we created a new mission statement, revised our values, and created a dynamic strategic plan that includes critical success factors and prioritized initiatives. In addition to refreshing the Strategic Framework, Community Partnerships applied for, and was selected by Downtown Madison Rotary Club to participate in their partnership with the YWCA’s “Creating Equitable Organizations” cohort, which works to create strategic, effective and sustainable changes in an organization around diversity, inclusion, and equity. We have made a

two year commitment with our internal “Change Team” to prioritize this work to improve CP.

In terms of program growth, the Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program arrived in Dane County in late 2014, and we used our experience administering the Children Come First (CCF) Provider Network to accept an opportunity to partner with Dane County Department of Human Services to coordinate the Provider Network component of CCS. CCS is a Medicaid program that provides a flexible array of individualized, community-based, psycho-social rehabilitation services to individuals with mental health and/or substance abuse issues across the lifespan. The CCS model of service delivery and person-centered planning is highly aligned with the values of Community Partnerships and the wrap around framework, so we were excited

Continued

about the opportunity to continue to expand our services to more individuals and families in Dane County. In addition to the developing the CCS Provider Network, Community Partnerships became credentialed to provide Service Facilitation to youth and adults enrolled in Dane County's CCS program.

We are proud to have been providing services to Dane County for the past 15 years, and look forward to the next 15 and the opportunities ahead of us.

Scott Strong
Executive Director

ABOUT US

Community Partnerships, Inc. is a nonprofit organization serving individuals with mental health concerns. We believe in using a "wraparound" approach when working with consumers and their families which includes:

- Promoting individual & family strengths.
- Valuing consumer voice, culture, and beliefs.
- Providing individualized care.
- Team-based collaborations.
- A commitment to long term, sustainable, accessible supports and services.
- Setting measurable goals and celebrating success.

Community Partnerships recognizes our staff and board members who contributed to successful program outcomes and new program development in 2015:

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Amy Enloe, Program Support Specialist
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Claire Patterson, Psychologist

Provider Network

Hope Swanson, Provider Network Support Specialist

OUR SERVICES

Children Come First Case Management

Supporting Dane County youth ages 0-19 with diagnosed mental health concerns by providing comprehensive care management, family advocacy and wraparound services. CCF Coordinates traditional and nontraditional services to support children in their homes, schools, and communities.

Community Partnerships served a total of 118 youth in 2015. 80% of the youth who were discharged from CCF Case Management in 2015 did so due to substantial progress.

Children Come First Hospital Diversion

A short-term (30-90 days) program supporting Dane County youth ages 0-19 at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization. HDP provides parent/child support and behavior management, crisis stabilization, medication management, and wraparound service coordination.

The overarching goal of the Hospital Diversion Program is to stabilize youth at imminent institutional risk to prevent a hospitalization from occurring.

HDP had a 97% success rate in 2015, diverting hospitalizations for 34 of the 35 youth served.

Comprehensive Community Services

Providing a flexible array of individualized community-based psychosocial rehabilitation services for children and young adults aged 18-30 to promote client recovery and resilience.

In the first year CCS services were offered in Dane County, Community Partnerships enrolled 6 youth and 14 adults, providing 375 hours of Assessment, Service Facilitation, Skill Development, Medication Management, and Wellness & Recovery Support Services.

Early Childhood Initiative

ECI is an innovative home visitation and employment program designed to improve life outcomes of Dane County's most vulnerable families with a special emphasis on economic self-sufficiency, positive infant and child development, and maternal and infant mental health.

In 2015, ECI served 118 households or families with 237 children. Family Support Specialists spent over 5,200 hours of direct contact, case management, and consultation to those families enrolled in 2015.

Court-Ordered Evaluations

Community Partnerships provides an integrated process of brokering court-ordered evaluations for individuals in Dane County under the following Wisconsin State Statutes: Juvenile Justice Code 938.295, Children's Code 48.295, Emergency Detention 51.15, Involuntary Commitment for Treatment 51.20, and Guardianship 54/55. The program manages a diverse provider network of over 40 qualified mental health professionals including Master's level clinicians, Licensed Psychologists, and Licensed Psychiatrists .

In 2015 the COE program brokered 1,211 evaluations. Our Internal Evaluator performed 44 evaluations for the COE program. Efficiencies were created by the utilization of an Internal Evaluator, videoconferencing for clinical interviews, and capturing Chapter 51 Stipulations and Waivers prior to evaluator assignment.

Provider Network

In 2015 Community Partnerships began credentialing Providers in Dane County to provide an array of psycho-social services to youth and adults in the CCS Provider Network.

42 Agencies were added to the network, and 214 individual staff were credentialed.

11 staff members at CP were credentialed to provide CCS services.

Transition to Independence

Providing individualized and comprehensive case management, assisting young adults aged 18-30 to transition from children's to adult services and work toward meaningful life goals and independence. Consumers work in partnership with a transition specialist to establish and make measured progress toward recovery goals around education, employment, housing, and applicable mental health services.

In 2015 TIP spent approximately 3900 hours offering case management and crisis stabilization services to the 78 consumers enrolled.

Family Advocacy & Support

Community Partnerships provides family advocacy services and support for all participants and their families involved in Children Come First, Transition to Independence, and Early Childhood Initiative Programs.

In 2015, the Family Advocate worked with 43 families, providing 400 hours of support in accessing resources and crisis intervention to prevent out of home placement. An additional 235 hours were provided in educational advocacy in working with schools and families to create and implement Individual Education Plans for youth.

2015 YEAR IN REVIEW

Agency Growth & Development

- ◆ Community Partnerships celebrated its 15 year anniversary.
- ◆ Dewey Court space renovated to accommodate new programs offered and growing staff.
- ◆ CP was selected to participate in Rotary/YWCA” Creating Equitable Organizations” cohort to creating strategic, effective, and sustainable change around diversity, inclusion, and equity.
- ◆ CP refreshed and revised our strategic framework and unveiled new Mission, Vision, and Values statements.
- ◆ The Circle of Hope Vintage Vegas Casino Night Fundraising event moved to a larger venue, Varsity Hall on UW Madison’s Union South, and increased both attendance and revenue from previous year.

Program Growth & Development

- ◆ CP selected for Provider Network portion of Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) contract.
- ◆ Successful launch of CCS Service Facilitation for youth and adults.
- ◆ New CCF-Family Support unit ends first year at full capacity, serving 20 youth and families.
- ◆ Community Partnerships took over the referral and eligibility approval process for CCF referrals.
- ◆ Contracted with GHC and Unity to provide Hospital Diversion services to 11 youth.
- ◆ Collaboration with Dr. Tally Moses with UW-Madison to evaluate outcomes in TIP.
- ◆ ECI age range of participants expanded through age 4 & 4K transition and Leopold catchment area expanded to include South Park St. area.
- ◆ TIP launched a Youth Adult Leadership Team and held its first fundraiser.
- ◆ Hired a full-time Psychologist serving COE and CCF programs.

In The News

- ◆ Executive Director, Scott Strong, appeared on WKOW 27 and spoke about an increase in youth reporting symptoms of anxiety, depression, suicidal ideation, and harm to self, as noted in the Dane County Youth Assessment.
- ◆ Family & Consumer Advocate, Paula Buege, was featured in the *Isthmus* article *Cause and Effect; A Wisconsin Push to Promote Trauma-Informed Care*.
- ◆ ECI Lead Family Support Specialists, Mercy Greenwald & Rebecca Anderson, were interviewed by *La Comunidad News*.

Staff Growth & Development

Continuing education and professional growth at Community Partnerships is a priority. Our staff participated in the training topics in 2015.

- ◆ Foster Futures Summit on Trauma Informed Care
- ◆ Case Manager's Seminar-Etiology of Hoarding Disorder
- ◆ Madison Metropolitan School District Mental Health & Behavioral Health Institute
- ◆ Crisis Intervention Conference: The Intersection Between Risk & Opportunity
- ◆ Suicide & Crisis Risk Assessment, Chapter 51 & Homicide Risk Assessment
- ◆ Ethics and Boundaries
- ◆ Poverty Matters Conference
- ◆ Dialectical Behavior Therapy
- ◆ FAN training: A framework for engagement and reflective practice geared towards home visitors through Wisconsin Child Welfare Professional Development System.
- ◆ Sankofa Behavioral Community Health Training Series for white human service providers

Training Our Community Partners

Our staff have a wealth of knowledge and regularly provide trainings for our community partners, as well as outreach into the community about the work we do.

- ◆ Trauma Informed Care Parenting Series for parents of youth enrolled in the CCF and ECI programs
- ◆ Trauma-Informed Care Presentation at Dane County Juvenile Justice Conference
- ◆ Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) for UW School of Nursing
- ◆ Immigration, Trauma, Resilience and Relationship: What Service Providers Need to Know at the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Conference
- ◆ Trauma Informed Care and Connecting Clients to Mental Health Services for the Home Visiting Community of Practice.

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2015 Statement of Financial Position

<i>Assets</i>	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 1,413,417
Accounts Receivable	132,097
Prepaid Expenses	55,198
Total Current Assets	\$ 1,600,712
EQUIPMENT, NET	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,600,712
<i>Liabilities & Net Assets</i>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 756,389
Accrued Payroll & Related Expense	137,206
Deferred Revenue	9,037
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 902,632
NET ASSETS	698,080
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$ 1,600,712



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