

June 5, 2023 – Social Justice Meeting

Present: Kathy and Tom Heffernan, Vicki Huggins, Kate Kellogg and Carolyn Dresler

We talked about mental health in Ridgway and who works in that area in Ridgway. There is a new organization in Ouray County called OCSAP, Ouray County Support and Advocacy Project. Vicki is on the board.

We talked about having a mental Health forum as a ROCC talk in October. After checking on Google, there are 17 councilors in Ouray County. Vicki will talk to Kate Kissingford who worked in counselling about who we might ask to be on the forum. This might be a way to educate folks on the subject of mental health.

Kathy and Tom will check in with Cedar Point Health in Ridgway about how they handle Mental Health in Ridgway.

There is a hotline for mental health issues. Call 988

Al Lowande will continue to touch base with Tanner Kingery about creating safe places for adults and children to talk about their issues.

Voyager is organizing community dinners to bring people in the community together. The next one is July 15 according to Carolyn Dresler. Hopefully this could strengthen the community and people could meet new people which might open up areas for people to share and talk.

We talked about the transportation issue. All Points Transfer will be starting soon. It would cost \$4 each way for a trip. It would link Ouray, Ridgway and Montrose together.

Kathy and Tom are going to a Mental Health QPR training by Axis Health System.

Tuesday, July 11 at 4PM will be our next meeting at Kathy and Tom's home.

Submitted by  
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