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Operational Partners Coordination Meeting, No. 22- 10/06/20

On Tuesday, October 6th, the 22nd BigSkyRelief.org Operational Partners Coordination Meeting kicked off at 12 p.m. and lasted approximately 15 minutes.

The purpose of the virtual bi-monthly meeting is to consolidate regular updates for the Big Sky Community as well as to identify and coordinate needs.

Big Sky Resort Area District Board Chair Kevin Germain coordinated the meeting.

Updates in order of presentation:

Kevin Germain, Board Chair of Big Sky Resort Area District (BSRAD):

- No major updates on Surveillance testing but a plan for the winter season should be coming soon.
- Will work on a press release to update the community on what Big Sky Relief has been working on in conjunction with the mailer from the Community Organizations.

Taylor Rose, Director of Clinical Services & Operations at Bozeman Health Big Sky Medical Center (BHBSMC):

- Big Sky Medical Center
 - Dealing with normal operations currently.
 - Focusing on being able to transfer higher acuity patients out of Big Sky and get them to Bozeman or other needed facilities.
- Healthcare System in our state
 - There is a big strain on the healthcare system across our state.
 - Hospitals in Billings can be on divert, which means they are at capacity and unable to take patients.
 - No impact on BSMC currently.
- No needs from the group currently.

Chief Greg Megaard, Big Sky Fire Department (BSFD):

- No needs or updates currently.

Sergeant Dan Haydon, Gallatin County Sheriff's Office (GCSO):

- No needs or updates currently.

Sarah Gaither, Program Coordinator of Big Sky Community Food Bank (BSCFB):

- Resumed Kids Packs at the school, anticipating 12 kids/week using this service. Also helping West Yellowstone with their Kids Packs.
- Spoke with Erik Morrison, and the Halloween Pumpkin giveaway, pumpkins for those who donate to the food bank, will be October 24th,
- Normal Thanksgiving Food box for customers (turkey, green bean casserole, etc.) to be distributed Monday before Thanksgiving.
- LPHS Honor Society is running the Food Drive for the Thanksgiving meals.
- Wilson Hotel agreed to host pre-made hot Thanksgiving meals for anyone in the community.
- No needs currently.

Jean Behr, Executive Director of Women In Action (WIA):

- MSU - Human Development Clinic interns will be resuming in-person counseling sessions October 12th. Call (406) 570-3907 to make an appointment.
- One intern is holding a Body Image and Self Appreciation course starting in October, keep an eye on social media for more details.
- Through August served the same number of people and client hours from 2019 to 2020.
- No needs currently.

David Kack, Coordinator of Big Sky Transportation District (BSTD):

- Shoulder season schedule. Local service is demand response.
- Working on finalizing winter schedule.
- Moving ahead with Bus Barn project, hoping for end of December-January to have paperwork signed and move into facility.

Candace Carr Strauss, CEO of Big Sky Chamber of Commerce (BSCC) & Visit Big Sky (VBS):

Big Sky Chamber

- No needs or updates currently.

Visit Big Sky

- No needs or updates currently.

Ciara Wolfe, CEO of Big Sky Community Organization (BSCO):

- No needs or updates on the volunteer side.
- Trash clean up in partnership with SNO on Friday at 3pm at Community Park.
- Parks and Trail usage has not slowed down at all. September was higher than July which is a new record.
- Increases of 25-300% on trails.
- Park visits are up from 50,000 to over 75,000.

Dustin Shipman, Superintendent of Big Sky School District (BSSD):

- The school district has received 500 tests and the task force is considering how best to use the tests to inform the decision making of transitioning between learning models.

A cohort of Resource Partners was also invited to the virtual meeting. Those names and organizations included:

Daniel Bierschwale, *Big Sky Resort Area District*

Taylor Middleton & Troy Nedved, *Big Sky Resort*

Matt Kidd, *CrossHarbor Capital Partners*

Kevin Hinkle, *Lone Mountain Land Company*

Hans Williamson, *Yellowstone Club*

Heather Morris, *Moonlight Community Foundation*

Ania Bulis, *Moonlight Community Foundation, Women in Action*

Loren Bough, *Yellowstone Club Community Foundation*

John Haas, *Spanish Peaks Community Foundation*