Crime Prevention: Community Readiness and Mobilization A.K.A. Make Shift Happen The Pas, MB ~ October 2020

"Are we measuring for the future or only from the past?"

We've learned a lot to date, actions emerged as we move forward and are looking to the future. Two labs this month. 1. Amanda Scott hosted an Exploring Strategies Lab, sharing many strategies that address crime prevention, community gardens, murals, youth initiatives, environmental design. 2. Solutions Lab 2.0 focused on how we can use the results from the Oscar's Place Survey to be better, ideas included using it to get support and funding from all levels of government, strengthen Oscar's Place Board and shift operations, increase accountability and work towards case management/integrated services. On Nov 17th there will be a Lab hosted by Al McLauchlin specifically on crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED). Please contact me to register.

Community Activators and Advocates are taking action: Youth projects are going forward, Art/Design group worked with people on the street to build Shadows, they'll be up soon. The Community Safety group is working with UCN Law Enforcement students to work on CPTED and continuing the Community Ambassador/Community Safety Officer ideas.

Reflecting on how the Make Shift Happen process is working to inform how it should adjust is key. A review was done, here's the report: http://fourward.ca/projects_59_1292672950.pdf Looks like we're on track, a few things to enhance include expanding the network and include vulnerable populations, sustainable funding and a person to coordinate, include northern communities.

Stories, organizations and community services continue to connect. We're starting to explore the foundational elements of strategy, traditionally the way we are organized seems to enhance silos, competition, red tape and funding roadblocks. Looking to shift into a new way that supports collaboration. Ideas on how to make that shift include addressing lateral violence and funding to begin with. We continue the movement.

We'd like to increase corporate involvement so that as a tri-community we can build sustainably into the future. The Red Apple reached out to work with us, we hope others will too. We thank Tim Horton's and CJAR for their continued support!

Where is all this going? We want to build on our strengths and focus on the future. Onward...

Visit our Facebook page Make Shift Happen @tricommunityawareness

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This month's video link: https://youtu.be/MMHmWNzi-Lo

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Category	Description	Comments	Progress
Connections	Continuing to gather stories, build relationships, create partnerships with others	New: Cathy Bruneau victim services. Kevin, Janet and Don at Oscar's Place, working on Shadows project. Through the From the Shadows project connected with people on the street, homeless and transitional people.	
Presentations/Gatherings	Reached out to service clubs to present Reconnected with Chamber	Rotary, Kinsmen, Kinettes. Chamber AGM November 21, update with new Board.	
	UCN Law Enforcement class	Presentation with UCN students re: MSH initiative and potential involvement.	
HR & Working Partnerships	Strategy development with partners Sponsorship and partnerships Corporate and business opportunities	Discussions around structure of strategies and funding, ineffective and based on competition and silo building rather than collaboration. Issues with lateral violence, funding structure and others to dig deeper into.	
	Mino Pimitiswin and Cedar Path Hub partnership UCN law enforcement partnership with CPTED	Still want to increase corporate involvement to build in sustainability. Thanks to Tim Horton's and CJAR for continued support! Linking youth initiatives to learn from one another. Work with UCN students on Community assessment, crime prevention through environmental design.	

Community Activators / Advocates	Community Safety group working on Community Ambassador/Community Safety Officer progression and CPTED assessment. Art/design 'From the Shadows' project underway Youth focus, 4H Helping Hands, KSD connection Homeless group	Community Safety – progression of projects being discussed and UCN leading CPTED Art/design Shadows project – worked with people on the street to build shadows, Oscar's Place to complete with painting messages and instillation. Youth: - 4H Helping Hands, community garden and culture days events involving youth and families, community giving back and increasing self-confidence. KSD connection – working on youth indigenous council, tipi, liquor store paper bag project, poster contest and more. Homeless – using survey results to adjust, adapt and integrate services. NRHA Mental Health continued discussions.	
Research, Resources	Documentary – youth vision for the future underway	Documentary in the works.	
Learning Opportunities Training/Education Social Innovation and Impact Lab	Existing opportunities in the area, linked on Fb page Solutions Lab 2.0 Exploring Strategies Lab Discussions around future-focussed leadership lab	Included in Social Innovation and Impact Lab. Look North, CEDF Forum upcoming, Nov 2-6 Solutions Lab - discussed OP survey and actions forward. (For full report email Karen) Top 5 Action themes: 1. Survey street people and find out why they are at Oscar's Place – (Suggestion, to connect with Amanda Lathlin to get involved) 2. Increase accountability to self-improvement – Charge clients or	

		chores to stay, home community pay. Contracts with clients. 3. Oscar's Place operations – intake system, case management, programming, counsellors. 4. Oscar's Place Board – canvass community for Board members, 5. Funding and support – send results to all levels of government, advocate for funding through government, foundations, corporations 6. Other: Paid coordinator – Need clarification - for OP or larger street people/homeless people agenda? Employment – hire street people	
A denimination		Work together not in silos Exploring Strategies Lab – Amanda Scott hosted, explored many existing strategies that have had impact internationally. Many initiatives are happening to some degree in the tri-area (murals, community gardens) focus is to see how to enhance existing work and also look to crime prevention through environmental design.	
Administration Evaluation	Process capture report done	Keeping paperwork to a minimum. Process capture learnings: Snapshot of Main Themes:	

Individuals became involved with Make Shift Happen (MSH) because: a) They have a strong commitment to and belief in their communities. b) They were specifically asked and invited. 2) Individuals are most aware of the following activities of MSH: a) Interviews that Karen Driedger (MSH contractor) held with 100+ individuals b) Social media campaign (Facebook) c) Community Sharing Labs 3) Individuals best know what they are directly involved with. a) Even people who are very involved in MSH don't know every aspect. 4) What stands out to date about MSH is primarily excitement and positivity and a bit of skepticism a) Most prevalent is excitement and positivity about the activities and the potential transformation in the tri-communities b) Touch of skepticism and concern about MSH being another one-time initiative that is not sustainable, and that discussions in the communities seem to continually return to homelessness and Oscar's Place 5) Individuals see themselves as contributors which aligns with the goals of MSH to

- have the community lead the process and to strengthen the capacity of individuals.
- 6) Some individuals identified ways that they are doing things differently because of MSH; others said they were not necessarily changing. However, all identified ways that they have benefitted from MSH.
- 7) All seven individuals identified ways that MSH is supporting organizations and the tri-communities as a whole.
- 8) All seven individuals spoke about the issues in downtown The Pas such as homelessness, Oscar's Place, crime. However, these issues did not dominate the majority of conversations, rather they were recognized as issues that MSH is, and will continue, to help. One person emphasized the need to involve individuals who are homeless and to understand their situations.

Themes about how Make Shift Happens needs to evolve in next eight months (to mid-2021)

- 1. MSH could "go to" even more people through increased networking, individual invitations, and more sharing of results and successes. MSH needs to build more awareness and involvement.
- 2. MSH needs to find sustainable, long-term funding to continue its work.
- 3. If more funds are available to help people be involved, communicate that information as soon as possible. Give people more time

		to think about how they can contribute. Use the same format, a collaborative decision-making process, that was used at the start of MSH because it was fair. 4. Expand the composition of MSH "Committee" to include individuals who are homeless and on the street. 5. Continue to learn about and understand the social issues in the community. 6. Bring northern communities together. Themes about hopes for the community: what will exist, who will be involved 1. People in the tri-communities have continued hope in their community. People see that there is a way to make things happen. 2. The three communities are working together at all levels: community organizations and political councils. 3. MSH has created beneficial outcomes for the tri-communities that reverberate throughout different sectors. 4. MSH is sustainable with ongoing funding, political commitment, and a paid person as a "catalyst and organizer".	
Messaging and Communication	Over 40 stories from individuals and organizations on Facebook and in Opasquia Times. CJAR continues to interview and share them as well.	Linking stories posted in the newspaper on the Facebook page now and encouraging others to write their story and/or to suggest people for us to connect with.	