

Weed & Seed Update

July 15, 2009

- Funding for the Weed and Seed program will end September 30, 2009 through a “no-cost” extension and with the use of some City of Madison funds.
- The Neighborhood Services Coordinator is working with Police to prepare the 6-month progress report due at the end of July.
- Allied Stakeholders have not met since the last update to the CSC was written. They meet the day before the CSC meets again.
- With the anticipated end of the Weed and Seed Program in the fall of 2009 along with a desire to continue a close working relationship with Police the Neighborhood Services Coordinator is now participating in quarterly Operations Team meetings of the Police Dept. These meetings are attended by the Chief, Assistant Chief and all Captains. The first issue that is being discussed between the two departments is that of Youth Courts. Both departments fund Youth Courts and OCS staff are working to get collaboration, consistency and coordination with Police on this emerging service area.

The Neighborhood Services Coordinator and the Youth Coordinator met with Capt. Balles to discuss youth court status, issues he's trying to resolve on the law enforcement end and we have another meeting scheduled to begin looking at the current funding for the existing youth courts and begin to strategize future funding.

The Neighborhood Services Coordinator will be meeting again with the Police Operations Team on August 4th.