Youth and Family Coalition		
7.8.2024	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	
Meeting called by:	Tri Lead Starleen	
Note taker:	Maria Arreola	
Attendees:	Pat O'Maley, Eleven Vexler, Megan Axley, Christina Jackson, Sheryl Landstrom, Starleen Maharaj-Lewis, Dawn Scott, Patricia Alderete, Kayle Kutsch, Michael McAuley, Rachel Zakopyko, Joy Thoen, Sondra Archuleta, Beth United General, Regan Pitts, Scott Swan	

Introductions, Announcements and Updates

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge, with humility, that the land of the North Sound region today is the territory of People of the Salish Sea. Their presence is imbued in the waterways, shorelines, valleys, and mountains of the traditional homelands of the Coast Salish People, since time immemorial.

Children and Youth Family Crisis

4:00 – 4:15 p.m.

ACTION: Action/Decision () Discussion () For Information Only (X)

- 988 is functioning for behavioral health emergencies. Can all 24/7 and talk to an individual to address concerns.
- 988 is not just regional but all through the state.
- 988 prevents taking a youth to the emergency room. This relieves the ED capacity.
- In home interventions are huge for families.
- One issue is families have used the system and have been routed through different parts of the state.
- Wait times for response is very long.
- Needs a standardized language.
- Conversations are free and confidential.
- Services are offered in Spanish.

Introductions

4:15-4:45 Agenda Topic

ACTION: Action/Decision (X) Discussion () For Information Only ()

New Tri Chair lives in Whatcom county. Lived experience. Youth Tri Lead.

A common voice is rebuilding the website. A link will be sent to the new website when available.

Evaluations		
15min		
ACTION: Action/Decision () Discussion () For Information Only (x)		
Overview: Link was sent to the committee		
Discussion Points:		
 Evaluations link sent to committee 		
Conclusion/Outcomes		
Committee will complete the online evaluation		

Next meeting is - Monday, August 12, 2024, from 3:00 – 5:00