

Raymond Coalition For Youth ~ Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2026 ~ 9:00 – 10:30 am
In Person at Raymond Baptist Church Basement



**Present: 22
Members**

School

Youth Serving

Pam Turcotte, RCFY Finance Coord
Celeste Clark, Executive Dir. RCFY
Pam Baker, RCFY, Prog Coord
Ethan Cassell, Austin 17 House
Maura McGowan, NH Teen Institute
Dominick McGee NH Teen Institute
Tricia Brannen, Youthwell, NH
Matthew Bohannon, Ridge RTC

Government/Municipal

Paul Dean, Governor's Office
Avery Turgeon, Gov Ayotte's Office
Sue Frotton, RPD
Ben Williams, State Liquor
Stosh Szatko, Army CD
Madison Johnson, NH Army Reserves
Paul Spera, DEA

Substance Prevention/Health

Tracie Holmes, Lamprey Health Care
Annalise Poirier, Lamprey Health Care
Amy Pettengill, Manchester Doorway
Samantha Thamsen, Seacoast Public Hlth Ntwk

Sarah Cain, New Futures

Service Organizations

Donna Meade, Community Member
Anne Rodman, Chaplain, Retired

Volunteers/Community Members

Welcomes, Introductions, Announcements were made.

New Futures and Makin It Happen are partnering for a program entitled "Under The Radar" on Oct 7, 2026 .

NH Teen Institute is sponsoring The Leaders In Prevention (LIP) program that brings together teams of eight middle school students and two advisors for a long weekend of activities and Action Planning with numerous other teams from across New Hampshire. Schools, after-school groups, and community organizations identify students -- from all walks of life and levels of skill -- with leadership potential who are capable of working as

part of a team, and willing to bring new skills and energy back to their community. The program will run Jan 22-24, Feb 12-14 and March 12-14. See website for details www.nhteeninstitute.org.

Celeste then talked about "What Does RCFY Do?" Then opened the group for discussion.

- What people see
- What RCFY actually does
- What is most important

Then a discussion about Faith based planning and what that would look like.

The next topic was about our Community Wide Newspaper that would take the place of our yearly book. Discussion followed about what would be good to put in the paper. Some ideas were Recovery Friendly Workplace list, resource list, trends, personal stories, gambling addiction and remembrance corner.

Upcoming Events:

- Red Ribbon Week - October Prevention Month
- Prevention Summit, October 23
- Gala, March 6, 2027, Juston McKinney

Thank you for joining us today, being an RCFY advocate, passing along the information learned today, and encouraging others to learn more and get involved.

Next Meetings, September 10, October 8

Mission Statement:

The Raymond Coalition For Youth empowers the community to promote positive youth development and reduce youth substance use and suicide risk.

Promoting Positive Healthy Choices for our Youth!

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