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Trauma-Informed System of Care

(Woodland, CA) – In February, Yolo County’s Positive Youth Justice: Yolo Youth In Focus Collaboration hosted four free training sessions on Trauma-Informed Care for Youth for nearly 200 community members who work with youth. Seeking Safety/Treatment Innovations conducted the trainings for participants from a variety law and justice, child welfare, treatment and youth serving departments and agencies, as well as court and school officials. This training was provided under the Positive Youth Justice Initiative planning grant, which was directly funded by Sierra Health Foundation.

The goal of the collaboration is to create a trauma-informed system of care in Yolo County by proactively and strategically recognizing and addressing the impact of trauma on individuals, service providers and the community as a whole. Attendees learned about the impact of trauma on youth, the impact of vicarious trauma on providers serving youth, how to raise awareness and prevent gaps in service, and best practices in providing trauma informed care.

This was the first time a training of this nature was offered and all attendees were encouraged to sign up to either attend planning meetings to help promote a trauma-informed system of care in Yolo County or be included on a mailing list to receive information or updates on trauma-informed care in Yolo County.

Additionally, an online group specifically for Yolo County was created on ACESConnection.com, a social network for people across the U.S. and other nations who are implementing trauma-informed and resilience-building practices. This will allow Yolo County community members who join the group to share information about the trauma-informed work that their organization or agency is doing. Visit <http://www.acesconnection.com> to become a member of the Yolo County CA ACEs group.

Note below, information related to an upcoming related event:

20th Child Sexual Abuse Awareness Conference
Childhood Trauma: Focusing on Solutions
Saturday, April 5, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Veteran’s Memorial Center, 203 E. 14th Street in Davis

Presented by: Incest Survivors Speakers’ Bureau and California Protective Parents Association; co-sponsor: Yolo County CASA. Free and open to the public; registration optional. Continuing Education units available at cost. For more information, visit: <http://www.issb.us>.

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