

Safe Takoma

Report, October–November 2009

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Funds Expended

Washington DC, prior expenditures: \$65,277.39

Washington DC, October expenditures: \$2,011.47

Washington DC, November expenditures: \$435.00

Safe Silver Spring, prior expenditures: \$1,008.09

Safe Silver Spring, October expenditures: \$120.00

Funding Balances (November 30, 2009)

Washington DC funding balance: \$7,276.14

Takoma Park MD funding balance: \$0

Independent funding: \$2,160.83

Safe Silver Spring holding balance: \$796.91

Status

Safe Takoma undertook the following organizational steps in October and November 2009.

- Held board meetings October 8, November 24. Worked out FY10 programming to include --
 - Conflict Resolution (focus on Coolidge Senior High School and MPD -- Equal Employment Office and School Resource Officers)
 - Employment Readiness
 - Community Conferencing
 - Dialogue Circles (focus on Coolidge Senior High School and Takoma Educational Center)
 - Rites of Passage
- Minutes posted at <http://safetakoma.org/Minutes.html>.
- Pursued request for Washington DC FY10 funding with Lisa Brooks of the Washington DC Justice Grants Administration.
- Continued to hold funds for Safe Silver Spring.
- Continued to pursue recruiting additional board members.

Safe Takoma programming for October and November included:

- **Conflict Resolution Training** – Delivered conflict resolution leadership programming November 7–11 in association with the Coolidge High School Alumni Association. Training was delivered by Kathryn Liss and Monika

Megyesi, working on contract. As reported by Faith Wheeler, “We have 21 participants, which is just over the maximum number: 3 MPD members, 7 Coolidge students, 6 Coolidge teachers and staff, an additional Coolidge alum, 2 from the Conflict Resolution Center of Montgomery County (CRCMC), an organization with which we are developing a partnership. (We anticipate partnering with CRCMC to create conflict resolution / dialogue programs in the Takoma Educational Center (DC) and Coolidge High School as well as with the Takoma Park Middle School (MD) and have held conversations with key people in these schools.) One of the participants is a Board member now and works at CRCMC.”

- Worked with Ms Jarrett, Coolidge High School principal, and others to plan follow-on work at Coolidge. See materials posted at <http://safetakoma.org/Programming.html>.

December 2009 Plans

- Coordinate and hold monthly board meetings.
- Follow-up contact with people who signed up for whistles at the April 7 event.
- Pursue Washington DC FY10 funding. Implement programming when funding is received.
- Continue outreach efforts.
- Work on board member recruiting.
- Plan an advisory/programming meeting.
- Carry out regular planning, administrative, and reporting tasks.