Florida Association of Community Action, Inc.. Team Building

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What is a Team? Why Should a Team be Formed?

Team Purpose

To Maximize Performance and Achieve Goals

Benefits of Team Building

- Improved Communications
- Commitment to Organizational Goals
- Increased Collaboration and Cooperation
- Culture is Created
- Improved Morale and Leadership Skills
- Improved Productivity
- Identifies Team Strengths and Opportunities for Improvement
- Improves Ability to Problem Solve

Defining A Team

People combining their skills, abilities and strengths to accomplish goals and/or mission that cannot be done by one person.

Finding the best mix of people who work together and nurture each other to promote growth and provide support to each other.

A team is a collection of people who interact with each other regularly and are dependent on each other for the attainment of common goals.

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Your Teams within your organization:

Are they effective? If so, in what way?

A team brings together people with different expertise and thus enables application of specialized knowledge in solving problems. Team building helps in improving organizational effectiveness and efficiency.

The key elements of a team are goal sharing, interdependence, commitment and accountability. Two or more people who interact and influence one another. (forming)

Walt Kelly wrote in 1970,

"We have met the enemy and he is us."

For Most Teams, the "enemy" is a Lack of Communication

- Face to Face Communications
- Be Clear and Concise
- Set in Stone
- Be Genuine

Stages in Team Building:

- **Forming** team members are oriented, become committed (awareness).
 - **Storming** development of belonging.
 - **Norming** cooperation, collaboration, communication.
- **Performing** solve problems, interdependence results.
 - **Adjourning** separation only after other four stages fail.

The objective of team building is the removal of impediments to improving team effectiveness.

Madagascar Penguins and funniest teamwork

"We" Supersedes "Me"

There is only one star that matters, the Team.

Eagerness to sacrifice personal interests or glory for the welfare of the team.

Components of Team Building:

- Developing the individual
- >Task Achievement
- Building and Developing the team

The power of teamwork - funny animation

Team Spirit starts at the top. The leader,

"YOU"

Must personify team spirit.

Improving Team Efficiency:

- atmosphere is informal and relaxed
- Ample discussion about tasks
- Create objectives
- Listen to each other
- Disagreements acknowledged & settled
- Criticism should be frequent, not personal

- Team Meetings
- Follow-up
- Review of Performance Data
- Reinforcement
- Problem Solving
- Planning Action
- Communicating

- The Five dysfunctions of a Team Lencioni
- ▶ 5. Inattention to results
- 4. Avoidance of Accountability
- 3. Lack of Commitment
- 2. Fear of Conflict
- ▶ 1. Absence of Trust

- Effective Teams Behave...
- ▶ 1. They trust one another.
- 2. They engage in unfiltered conflict around ideas.
- 3. They commit to decisions & plans of action.
- 4. The hold one another accountable for delivering against those plans.
- ▶ 5. They focus on achievement of collective results.

Studying Teams and Building the Best ones Possible

Michael Jordan said,
"Talent wins games, but teamwork wins championships"

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GO TEAM!