

MMIW Steering Committee

Meeting Updates

Role Clarification and Organizational Chart

- Communication: Steering Committee informed of subcommittee work and continue with regular check-ins
- Role: Steering Committee will make sure subcommittees are focused on recommendations that are within one year timeline and within the legislative mandate
- Developing communication plan with DPS and BCA for coordinating related work
- Developing work plans with Wilder Research

Victim Impact and Public Comment

- Develop guidelines to help focus victim testimony and statements around the legislative mandate. Guidelines need to be transparent about the purpose of victim testimony:
 - The Taskforce is not staffed or trained to help victims process trauma or heal
 - The role of the Taskforce is not to investigate cases
 - Victims are encouraged to provide testimony that is less centered around personal experience and more centered on system gaps, processes that they'd like to see changed or other recommendations
 - Victims and other public commenters will be directed to external victim support resources (Day One, Crime Victims Help Line, etc.)
 - Public will be able to call 651-280-2661 and leave a voicemail with testimony, or email MMIWTaskforce@wilder.org.
 - The Taskforce will alert the public to this opportunity through: Posting to DPS social media, Taskforce members can share to their networks; MN Indian listserv
- Develop guidelines for taskforce members regarding public comment (i.e. how to respond to victims, how to answer follow-up questions, how to respond to reporters or social media requests)

Wilder's Research Plan

- Literature Review
- Key Informant Interviews
- Database Sources
- Problems and Solutions Framework

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