#### MoCo Citizen's Review Panel for Children

## Notes – 5/6/19 Meeting by Conference Call

# Update on Data – March 2019

Calls to Screening	1136
Alternative Response (AR)	134
Information and Referrals (IR)/Investigations	101
Requests from Other Agencies (ROA)	64
Youth in Out-of-Home Care	419
In-Home Services to Families	82
Resource Homes	194
Children Adopted	N/A
Applications for Resource Homes	N/A

### **Outreach Committee**

- George the AODAAC/MHAC/ Peer2Peer/Citizens Review Panel Spring Forum went well and was a good program
- George and Ronna were on a panel. Sarah was a greeter. Chuck Bosley was also on a panel. There were not a lot a questions from the audience.
- Sarah was a greeter.
- The audience included the public, service providers, and agency staff.
- There were over 80 in attendance. They had planned for about 90.
- Advertising seems to be mostly by word of mouth.
- Sarah commented that the speaker on national trends was very good.
- George advised that we will participate again next year.

## **Looking Forward**

- Ronna asked for ideas for next year.
- George suggested continuing to look at substance abuse data
- George also suggested LGBTQ work; the Panel previously focused on staff strengths and weaknesses; would be helpful to look the youth in the system, particularly related to adoption; he has a neighbors that will be adopting a LGBTQ youth; the neighbors have been happy with the agency thus far, but have questions about what happens nest as the start the selection process and how well other adopted parents have done with Montgomery County kids; maybe look at success rates of these adoptions.
- Marcy suggested looking more generally at recruitment of foster homes and adoptive parents; the federally required state 5-year plans are due this summer; could also look at older youth and group homes