



Housing Action Team Meeting Minutes August 09, 2021

Introductions – So good to see you all!

Updates

- Homelessness Sub-Group
 - o Rachel Martinez and Josh Arrospide provided update
 - o Group is made up of representatives of organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness – provides opportunity for networking
 - o The group began out of the work funded by United Way for USI, Comea, and Family Promise
 - o Dr. Michelle Aldridge attended the last meeting to provide opportunities for the committee to be involved
 - Update/re-vamping of CDBG funding
 - o Next meeting is September 7th
 - This meeting will include voices of individuals and families with lived experience in homelessness
- Mayor's Taskforce on Affordable Housing
 - o Brenda Birkle is the chair of the committee and provided the update
 - o Focus is on housing affordability – applying HUD definition of no more than 30% of income on housing across the income spectrum
 - o Currently creating and implementing by-laws
 - o Three committees: data, policies, and innovative solutions
 - Amy is on the policies committee – if your organization has been impacted by policies that exist currently in our community – let her know! An example is the difficulty in building a shelter based on zoning issues.
 - o Working to identify immediate solutions for implementation as well as long term plans to be presented in a year

- Needs Assessment
 - LCCP, City County Health, and hospital are working together to complete a community health needs assessment and community health improvement plan
 - Timeline for completion
 - Data collection – August – October
 - Priority selection – November – January
 - Health Improvement Planning – February – March
 - Draft – April
 - Share with community – June
 - We will be using the results based accountability model (see image below)
 - For the data collection portion we are using the Kaiser Family Foundation model for Social Determinants of Health (see below)
 - We are working upstream to identify the underlying factors that influence health (six categories in the model), not just the health outcomes (bottom of the model)
 - Housing is included in the “Neighborhood and Physical Environment” category
 - Initial data collection has focused more on the affordability piece, check out the [data so far here](#)
 - More data is needed related to homelessness and transitional housing
 - PLEASE SEND AMY Data that you would like to include it!
 - Brenda asked a great question about how this integrates into the collective impact framework. The goal is that this process helps us hone in on the common purpose that we are going to try to address over the next three years. For more on [collective impact check out this site](#).

For the Good of the Order

- Cheyenne Regional is hiring an additional Medical Legal Partnership Attorney using the Emergency Rental Assistance Funds – please pass along any leads to Amy (amy.spieker@crmcwy.org)
- Recover Wyoming is receiving COVID funding to support their programs
 - New peer specialist – welcome Juline Sanchez!
- My Front Door is working on a new model home in Albany County and is currently hiring a family advocate/grant writer position – contact Brenda Birkle for more info (brenda@myfrontdoor.org)
- COMEA is working on emergency housing options for COVID + patients
 - Dealing with struggles related to hotel/motel availability and stigma
 - Reminder that COMEA cannot force someone to stay for their full quarantine; recently had a COVID + resident leave before the full 10 days
 - Expansion of journey center is being discussed
 - Josh Arrospide has a new role and a new email programs@comeashelter.org
- Community Action is experiencing a long waitlist (3-4 months) for transitional housing
 - Currently have 5 beds available for Veterans! Please refer to Eric Walsh
- Family Promise golf tourney this weekend – contact Rachel Martinez if you want to play!!

Population Accountability

Getting from Talk to Action

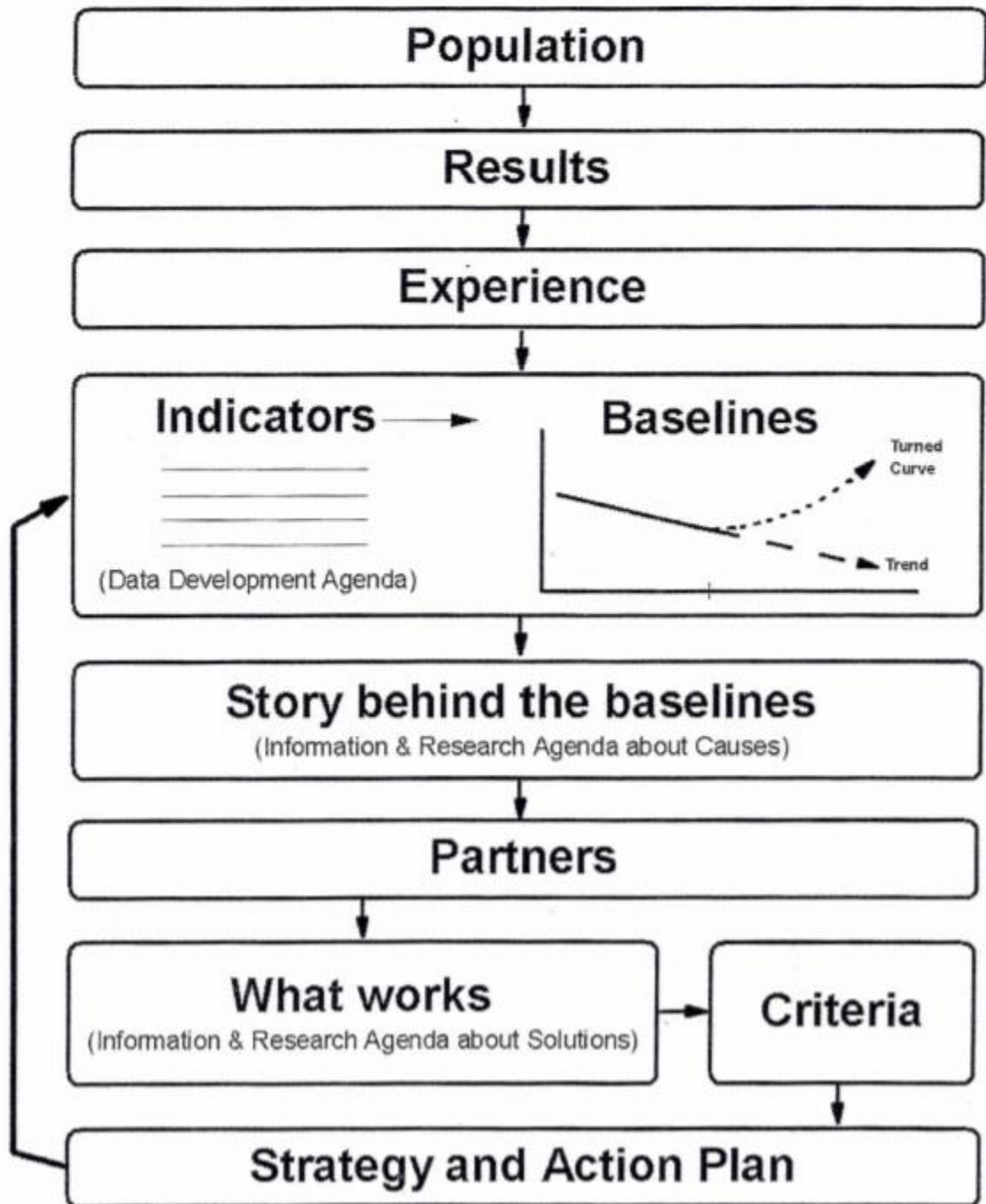


Figure 1

Social Determinants of Health

Economic Stability	Neighborhood and Physical Environment	Education	Food	Community and Social Context	Health Care System
Employment	Housing	Literacy	Hunger	Social integration	Health coverage
Income	Transportation	Language	Access to healthy options	Support systems	Provider availability
Expenses	Safety	Early childhood education		Community engagement	Provider linguistic and cultural competency
Debt	Parks	Vocational training		Discrimination	Quality of care
Medical bills	Playgrounds	Higher education		Stress	
Support	Walkability				
	Zip code / geography				

Health Outcomes

Mortality, Morbidity, Life Expectancy, Health Care Expenditures, Health Status, Functional Limitations