



### Healthy Communities Working Group

Thursday, October 15, 2020 from 1:00 – 2:30 PM | Zoom

Working Group Goal: To increase access to healthy foods and healthcare

#### Meeting Minutes

**In Attendance:** Barrio Botany, Champions for Health, City of San Diego, Corona Enterprises LLC, County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, Health Net LLC, Kate Sessions Commitment, Logan Heights Community Development Corporation, MANA de San Diego, Mercato, National Conflict Resolution Center, Pay It Forward Housing, Project New Village, San Diego for Every Child, San Diego Parks Foundation, U.S. Housing and Urban Development, University of California San Diego Center for Community Health, Urban Corps of San Diego County

#### Grant Updates and Forecasting

- Federal Grant Opportunities: Erich Yost, US HUD | This is a great time to begin planning which grants we want to pursue in the coming year since this is a slow time for grants.
- EPA Local Foods Local Places TA: Erich Yost, US HUD | This is an EPA and USDA sponsored technical assistance to help local partners develop a strategic plan to invest in neighborhoods and to support food systems. This is something the San Diego Promise Zone plans to pursue with interested members of this group.

#### Partner Updates

- Fresh Start: San Diego for Every Child has connected with this organization which offers free reconstructive surgery for any infants, children, or teens.
- Child and Youth Success: This is an effort to organize at the City for children and youth.

#### Update on Flu Clinics in the Promise Zone | *Andrew Gonzalez, Champions for Health*

- Champions for Health offers free flu clinics for anyone who does not have health insurance.
- The next clinic to take place in the Promise Zone will take place at O'Farrell Charter School (6130 Skyline Drive San Diego CA) Saturday 11/7 9 AM - 1 PM.
- [Interest Form](#)
- [Schedule](#)

#### Covered California | *Monica Leyva, Health Net LLC ([monica.leyva@healthnet.com](mailto:monica.leyva@healthnet.com))*

- Through the end of 2020, they will continue eliminating co-pays and authorization requirements for telehealth services.
- Extended special enrollment will be from November 1<sup>st</sup> to around December 15<sup>th</sup>
- COVID-19 related costs are waived for Medicare, MediCal, and CoveredCA members.

- The cost of Covered California is less than the cost of the penalty for being uninsured.

**Más Fresco Digital Access & Utilization Survey Results** | *Kate Edra & Joe Prickitt, UCSD CCH*

- This survey was inspired by a major shift in Más Fresco enrollee demographics during the pandemic due to a pivot from in-person enrollment efforts to digital enrollment efforts.
- Survey Details & Results
  - There were 591 survey respondents, all Más Fresco and CalFresh recipients
  - *How was internet accessed?* 88% with a smartphone; 43% with computers
  - *How often was the internet accessed?* 80% reported daily use
  - *What internet platforms were most commonly used?* Facebook, YouTube, WhatsApp
- Next Steps: The Más Fresco team has contracted with a marketing company and a communication platform to improve digital communications

**Kate Sessions Commitment to Tree Planting** | *Anne Fege, Kate Sessions Comm.* ([afege@aol.com](mailto:afege@aol.com))

- *Benefits of Tree Planting:* Reduces climate inequities in urban areas, improves aesthetic and beautification, allows for a more prosperous ecosystem
- *Ways to Help:* Kate Sessions Commitment is looking for communities and individuals interested in tree planting and they are offering presentations to interested groups

**Next Meeting**

Thursday, November 19, 2020 | 1:00 – 2:30 PM

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