

Healthy Sacramento Coalition Meeting
October 26, 2016
Meeting Notes

Meeting Outcomes:

- Clear understanding of the organizing structure and pathway of the HSC
- Clarify and present the demonstration project and how the coalition will support it
- Clarify how coalition members can apply the demonstration project framework for their local health equity projects

The vision of the Healthy Sacramento Coalition is to eliminate health inequities in Sacramento through advocacy and integration of resources. With a mission to eliminate racialized health inequities in Sacramento through movements that advance policy and system change resulting in neighborhood impact.

Welcome and Overview

Ashlin Malouf, Executive Director of Sacramento ACT and HSC Steering Committee Co-Chair, welcomed everyone and provided a brief overview of the meeting agenda. Coalition members introduced themselves and stated a one word hope for the day.

HSC Framework Moving Forward

Gina Warren, President of Neighborhood Wellness Foundation and HSC Steering Committee Co-Chair, provided a recap of the approach and structure of the coalition, reviewing the social determinants of health and the importance of calling out racial equity. She stressed that racial and health equity are deeply intertwined and it is not possible to move forward without discussing race explicitly. In addition, she reviewed the new addition to the mission statement of the HSC.

Group Discussion and Reflection

The facilitators opened the discussion of race interacting in the space that coalition members work in by reading passages from the book “Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome” by Joy DeGruy Leary. Participants reflected and shared stories from their own experiences on what the book passages brought up for them. Members stressed the need to have open and honest conversation and the fact that uncomfortable conversations are sometimes needed to move forward.

Racial Impact Statement Tool

Bill Kennedy, Independent Consultant with Law Office of William Kennedy, provided an overview of the racial impact statement tool, how it can be used and how it allows advocates to be more effective when interacting with decision makers. This powerful tool is available to hold policy makers accountable and allows us to put race on the table in a way that generates power. The hope is for the coalition to test out the racial impact statement tool through one of the four

demonstration projects. For additional information, please see the [Racial Impact Statement Tool presentation](#).

Four Demonstration Projects for Consideration

Four projects were put forth before the coalition for consideration. It was stressed that while all projects are important, these four were selected because they met certain criteria. The aim of the demonstration project is to select a project that has a feasible timeline, has an impact on all 15 zip codes that are most affected by health disparities, has expertise in the Coalition, and is actionable. Steering Committee members reviewed that the aim of the demonstration project was to begin collective action in order to move the needle for health and racial equity. The hope is for this tool to be utilized by the group in multiple projects and programs, but that as a beginning the group can unite around a singular issue to demonstrate the success possible with this tool.

Each of the four demonstration projects was summarized for consideration and discussion:

Police Accountability Commission

Eric Gravenberg, President and CEO of The HAWK Institute, reviewed how this project would benefit by utilizing the racial impact tool to give more power and support to the Commission. [See additional information.](#)

Prop 47 Audit

Ashlin Malouf, reviewed how looking at Sacramento Community Reinvestment there is a possibility to move spending from incarceration to prevention and treatment specifically around mental illness. [See additional information.](#)

Marijuana Policies

Malaki Seku-Amen, President and CEO of California Urban Partnership, reviewed the need to focus on the investment of new marijuana policies and how to ensure that those impacted most will benefit from how the state, city, and county will use the incoming tax dollars. [See informative illustration.](#)

Master Plan and Housing

Bill Kennedy, reviewed that due to federal policy it was now required for cities and counties in this region to analyze whether their policies lead to segregation from opportunity and to create maps showing this data. This provides an opportunity to influence the general plan and specifically the housing element to leverage money towards racial benefits.

Coalition members took time to discuss each of the four projects for consideration before taking a moment to vote. Once the ballots were collected there was a public reading of all votes with the following results:

Project	Vote
Police Accountability Commission	8
Prop 47 Audit	8
Marijuana Policies	6

Master Plan and Housing	15
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Decision

Based on the Coalition vote, “Master Plan and Housing” was chosen as the demonstration project. The HSC Steering Committee will meet to follow-up on next steps.

Next Coalition Meeting Date – February 22, 2017