



Community Action Network Dashboard Steering Committee 11/28/2012 Meeting Minutes

Present: Katie Coburn (Central Health), John-Michael Cortez (Capital Metro), Ashton Cumberbatch (Seton Family of Hospitals), Darla Gay (District Attorney's Office), Karen Maxwell (for Mike Hemby, Travis County Sheriff's Office), Marietta Noel (for Louise Lynch, ATCIC), Ara Merjanian (E3 Alliance), and Lisa Schmidt (for Carolyn Hanschen, Austin ISD)

Others in Attendance: Laurie Najjar (Austin Police Department) and Rachel Druckheimer (Travis County Juvenile Probation)

Unable to Attend: Sue Carpenter (United Way Capital Area), Frances Deviney (Center for Public Policy Priorities), Frank Fernandez (HousingWorks), Lawrence Lyman (Travis County HHS&VS), Jasmine Folan (Workforce Solutions Capital Area), Bill Gill (CAPCOG), Ann Howard (ECHO), Phil Huang (Austin Travis County Health Department), Chris King (Ray Marshall Center), Lesley Ramsey (Texas Civic Engagement Table), and Pat Wong (UT LBJ School of Public Policy)

Staff: Chantel Bottoms, Mary Dodd, Kevin Paris, and Vanessa Sarria

Welcome and Introductions: Ashton Cumberbatch, Chair of the Dashboard Steering Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves.

Review and Approve August 21st, 2012 Minutes: Minutes were reviewed and approved as presented.

Focus on the "We Are Safe, Just, & Engaged" Section of the Dashboard:

- **Violent Crime Rate** – The Community Justice Council has proposed that the violent crime rate indicator be changed to overall crime rate. The proposed goal and target for the indicator are as follows:

- Goal: To reduce the overall crime rate
- Target: 1% annual decline in overall crime rate

The Dashboard Steering Committee unanimously approved these three recommendations. It was noted that while reducing the overall crime rate is a positive thing, it is important to consider that it may not be reduced equitably across the community. The Dashboard Steering Committee also approved the Community Justice Council's recommendation that the Strategic Framework section on Safe, Just, and Engaged remain the same. The Community Justice Council recommended a listing of key efforts and plans related to reducing the overall crime rate. This information will be used to help inform the drill-down and Community Dashboard report.

- **Proportionality of arrest demographics as compared to overall population** – The Community Justice Council did not recommend a goal or target for this indicator. Instead they made the following recommendation:

- Key criminal justice leaders and the CAN Executive Committee should continue dialogue around the "just" indicator for identification of the appropriate indicator.

The Dashboard Steering Committee approved the Community Justice Council's recommendation, and will pass this recommendation on to the CAN Board of Directors. CAN staff will work to create a proposal for a goal and target for the arrest disproportionality indicator to be considered by the Committee at the January 2013 meeting. Two unresolved issues related to this indicator are:

- Is this the right indicator for whether we are a "just" community?
- What is the action that will systemically address disproportionality?

It was noted that in 2013 CAN will be working on an initiative related to cultural competency and disproportionality. CAN plans to invite the police and sheriff's departments into the conversation.

It was recommended that this initiative be added under "Local Efforts to Improve this Indicator" on the drill-down. It was also recommended that CAN convene people working on disproportionality across systems to examine the intersections of their efforts.

- **Proportionality of voter turnout by age** – CAN staff recommended that this dashboard indicator be changed to overall voter turnout. The Dashboard Steering Committee approved this recommendation. It was requested that a proposal for a goal and target for this indicator be informed by data on voter turnout in peer cities. CAN staff will submit a proposal for a goal and target at the January 2013 meeting of the Committee.

Recommendations for the December 14th, 2012 CAN Board of Directors Meeting:

- Change the violent crime dashboard indicator to overall crime rate. The proposed goal is to reduce the overall crime rate and the proposed target is a 1% annual reduction to the overall crime rate.
- Approve the Community Justice Council's recommendation that "key criminal justice leaders and the CAN Executive Committee should continue dialogue around the "just" indicator for identification of the appropriate indicator.
- Change the voter turnout by age indicator to overall voter turnout.

Other Recommendations for Indicators: The Can Board approved on June 7, 2012 the DSC recommendation to expand the jurisdiction for the education indicators on the Community Dashboard to include all high schools in Travis County plus Leander and Round Rock ISDs. The DSC would now like to propose the following targets for this expanded jurisdiction:

- Four year high school graduation rate – 95% by 2015
- College readiness rate – 86% by 2015
- Drill-down data for these indicators will include individual districts' data, as requested by the Board on June 8th
- Drill-down in the College Readiness indicator will include additional data on college enrollment and persistence

These proposed recommendations were not discussed.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m. The 2013 Dashboard Steering Committee meeting schedule is to be determined.