



Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

10:30am-12:30pm

2227 Capricorn Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95407

Santa Rosa Conference Room

Attendees (listed alphabetically)

Angie Dillon-Shore, First 5
 Brian Staebell, District Attorney’s Office
 Elece Hempel, Petaluma People Services Center
 Gigi Mertle, Child Support Services
 John Hartwig, Information Systems Department
 Karen Fies, Human Services Department
 Kristin Fladseth-Heidorn, Health Department
 Karin Demarest, Community Foundation
 Karen Shimizu, Catholic Charities
 Lisa Wittke Schaffner, John Jordan Foundation
 Mike Kalhoff, United Way of the Wine Country

Robin Bartholow, North Coast Builders Exchange
 Soledad Figueroa, River to Coast Children’s Services
 Shirlee Zane, Board of Supervisors
 Susan Gorin, Board of Supervisors

Staff:

Oscar Chavez, Project Staff
 Kellie Noe, Project Staff
 Leah Murphy, Project Staff
 Holly White-Wolfe, Project Staff

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Welcome, Introductions, agenda, minutes – ACTION ITEM	Oscar welcomed the policy committee and reviewed the agenda. Lisa made a motion to approve the Nov. 2017 meeting minutes. Karen Files seconded. Meeting minutes approved.	Meeting minutes approved	None
Non-Profit Fire Response	Karin Demarest explained the Community Foundation’s Resilience Fund to support medium to long-term fire recovery. The Resilience Fund is a disaster fund to support our community’s mid to long-term recovery needs. Over 1,000 new donors have contributed to the fund. The Community Foundation has been very deliberate in developing a fund allocation strategy. So far, the Resilience Fund is upwards of \$11 million. Regular grant making will continue; the Resilience Fund is a separate fund designated for fire recovery. To identify where support will be needed most, the Community Foundation’s grant making team is engaging in a comprehensive community needs assessment with the Center for Effective Philanthropy, including meeting	None	None

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	<p>with hundreds of local nonprofit leaders, surveying over 450 nonprofits across Sonoma and Napa Counties, and conducting interviews with other jurisdictions that have experienced natural disasters (New Orleans, Houston, San Diego). Based on needs assessment findings, the Community Foundation will develop priority areas for investments starting in the summer of 2018. Additional information about the Resilience Fund is available here: http://www.sonomacf.org/sonoma-county-resilience-fund/</p> <p>A member asked about other fire related funds. Redwood Credit Union funds are scheduled to be disseminated by May 2018. Tipping Point Fund plans to finishing grant making by the end of 2018.</p> <p>Karen Demarest clarified that the Community Foundation only intends to fund evidenced-informed programs and practices through the Resilience Fund. Karin mentioned that almost everyone in our community knows what “evidence-informed practice” means because of the great work of Upstream Investments and the work of many of us sitting around this table. However, there’s a sense that we’re not quite there yet in truly implementing and investing in programs proven to work. We have an opportunity to use the Resilience Fund to look at systems that have kept inequality in place and implement holistic, systemic solutions. It makes sense that we feel uncomfortable because we cannot go back to business as usual.</p> <p>Karen Files mentioned that the Health and Human Services Departments are still in the information gathering stage of trying to figure out who’s doing what. They want to partner with other funders and nonprofits, but do not want to create duplication or step on anyone’s toes. They are tentatively planning for a Health & Human Services Fire Recovery meeting in March. More details to come.</p> <p>Supervisor Zane recently convened a group of mental health providers (hospitals, nonprofits, etc) to discuss gaps in mental health supports and how to implement a no wrong door approach. The convening was important, but she has noticed that we’ve been operating under a hierarchical, patriarchal funding model and it’s time for change. Supervisor Zane would like to empower nonprofits to be part of the planning and the solution.</p> <p>Supervisor Gorin mentioned that the Feb. 27th BOS community meeting is focused on infrastructure – roads, bridges, alert systems, etc. It would be helpful if individuals that were directly impacted by the fire attend the meeting and share how they were alerted and what issues they faced.</p> <p>Oscar offered to put fire coordination meetings on the Upstream Investments website.</p>		
Upstream Investments/ Health Action	Oscar introduced Lisa Wittke Schaffner, co-chair of Health Action, to discuss the Health Action Framework for Action.	Health Action Framework Priorities	

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Integration	<p>Lisa presented the Framework for Action, which was presented to the BOS on Dec. 5 2017. Lisa discussed the Health Action values of equity and community engagement, and the other two pillars of stewardship and sustainability. Then she discussed strategies that revolve around three areas: 1) long & healthy life, 2) educational attainment, and 3) comfortable standard of living for all. There are eight Health Action chapters around the county working on implementing programs and policies in priority areas.</p> <p>After a brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the Health Action Framework for Action.</p> <p>Oscar introduced Kellie Noe to discuss Upstream Investments program planning & evaluation technical assistance (TA). Kellie discussed the updated Upstream Investments program planning and evaluation TA refresh approach to support nonprofits and County departments. The new model will incorporate a group approach to program and evaluation planning, as well as more in-depth support for evaluation implementation and shared measurement. The team anticipates relaunching the TA program in May 2018.</p>	Approved	
Shared Measurement Projects	<p>Oscar introduced Julie Garen to discuss how the Violence Prevention Partnership at the City of Santa Rosa is using the APRICOT database for shared measurement.</p> <p>Julie is the program coordinator for the Violence Prevention Partnership Guiding People Successfully (GPS) initiative. Julie’s presentation focused on how GPS partners are using APRICOT as a shared measurement system for case management and outcomes tracking. All community partners working on GPS use APRICOT as a case management and referral system. GPS agencies include the City of Santa Rosa, Santa Rosa Police Department, County of Sonoma Probation Department, Santa Rosa City Schools and 9 additional nonprofit partners. The GPS initiative uses the positive youth justice framework to foster protective factors that are protective against community and gang violence. All partners participate in coordinated case discussions and work together on development plans to support families and youth at risk of joining a gang.</p> <p>APRICOT has enabled the GPS program to efficiently track referrals and case management data. All agencies are working towards the same goals and all are working on shared measurement using the same indicators/outcomes. So this means that all electronic forms and measurements are the same, and all are in APRICOT. GPS agencies utilize APRICOT to understand what’s happening across all partners. Using APRICOT as a shared case management system has reduced duplication of services, increased accountability between partner organizations, and increased the quality of data collected.</p> <p>Brian Staebell from the District Attorney’s Office asked why the County Sheriff’s Office isn’t included as a GPS partner. The DA’s office is encouraging the Sheriff’s Office to get more involved in things like child death reviews and various other committees. Julie thought the Sheriff’s office could be a good addition. They weren’t originally included as the GPS program was originally grant funded with the City of Santa Rosa as the only</p>		

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	<p>jurisdiction of service.</p> <p>Brian also asked where the majority of cases come from. Julie explained that some referrals come from police departments and probation (including The Keeping Kids in School Program). However, the majority of referrals come from schools, especially school counselors.</p> <p>Karen Demarest asked how using APRICOT has supported shared measurement. Karen made the point that GPS is truly implementing shared measurement and have been able to track aggregate program level indicators/outcomes. Julie said that Upstream Staff (specifically Holly) provided great support to the City and partners to build out APRICOT to meet their needs. Previously they were working on a paper system. With Holly's support, they built out the whole system in APRICOT, developed user manuals and trained all partners to use the system.</p> <p>Angie Dillon-Shore of First 5 mentioned it would be helpful to have a white paper on use of APRICOT has a shared measurement system, and specifically touch on the process of moving from a paper to electronic system, the financial investment and outcomes achieved.</p> <p>Supervisor Zane added that a policy/legislative step we could take is to encourage state leaders to better enable data sharing for shared measurement to occur. John Hartwig provided examples of how the HIPPA framework enabled health care providers to share data if the patient signs a release form. Brain also shared an example of how HIPPA has enabled data sharing with court and probation systems. Karin Demarest recommended that policy/legislative work to better enable shared measurement be a collective goal of both Upstream Investments and Health Action. Another committee member mentioned that San Diego County has created a software system with IBM to share government data across multiple programs. We should look into what San Diego is doing in more detail to inform our shared measurement work.</p> <p>Oscar mentioned FY&C is also using APRICOT and interfacing with non-profits. The DA's office is joining in this work. Upstream Investments staff is working on a white paper on APRICOT and shared measurement and will share an update on this at the next policy committee meeting.</p>		
Contracts Ad Hoc Committee	Moved this update to next meeting.		
Upstream Investments/ Human Services Department Fire	Moved this update to next meeting.		

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Response			
Public Comment	None	None	None
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.	None	None