

**El Cajon Collaborative  
Core Team Meeting Notes  
April 16, 2012**



**Purpose of the Core Team:**

“To provide oversight and direction for the inter-agency partnerships and implementation of initiatives in the Collaborative.”

AGENDA ITEMS	ACTION
<p><b>I. Welcome/Sharing Positives-</b> Chair <b>Steven Jellá, San Diego Youth Services</b>, welcomed everyone, and facilitated introductions.</p> <p><b>Meeting Participants:</b> Jennifer Wagner-Grondek, Steve Lauria, Dana Stevens, Suzie Moser, Romalyn Watson, Shea Scallon, Laura Carter, Richard Preuss, Veronica Mikho, Laura Beadles, Frank Carson, Elaine Melche, John Bettes, LaVonna Connelly and Steven Jella.</p>	
<p><b>II. Approval of March’s Meeting Notes-</b> <b>LaVonna Connelly, ECC Coordinator</b> had team members review March’s meeting Notes. The Notes were approved by consensus with the following edits: Add Barbara Ryan to list of meeting participants.</p>	
<p><b>III. Review the Collaborative’s Goals and Strategic Work Priorities-</b> <b>LaVonna</b> reviewed ECC’s Strategic Work Priorities for 2010-2013. She welcomed team members to give input regarding the priorities. Group members discussed the vague definition of mentoring. <b>Frank Carson, City of El Cajon Recreation Services</b>, stated that one new focus of the Recreation Services Department is the addition of “access and use of green spaces” when discussing residents’ involvement in recreation (as opposed to the previous focus on use of parks and recreation services).</p>	
<p><b>IV. Roundtable: Agencies’ Activities Related to ECC’s Strategic Work Priorities-</b> <b>LaVonna</b> gave team members an opportunity to share what their agencies were doing in regards to ECC’s current Strategic Work Priorities*. Team member input included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>National Conflict Resolution Center</u>- Prevention activities (3A, 3B)</li> <li>• <u>Public Health Nursing</u>- Prevention activities (1A, 2A, 3B); mentoring activities (1B), home visitation (3A)</li> <li>• <u>San Diego Youth Services</u>- Behavioral health activities (1A, 3A); Family Resource Ctr, educational/support groups, student camp activities (1B); curfew sweeps, C-SEC groups, AIM, support in disaster (2A); coffee talks, educational/support groups (3B)</li> <li>• <u>City of El Cajon Recreation Services</u>- Critical hours activities (1A, 2A); Leader in Training activities, Teen Coalition (1B); park check safety activities, Bike to Work Day activities (2A); recreation services for full age range, low-cost swim activities (3A)</li> </ul>	



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>CA Health Network</u>- Promote physical activity, Health Awareness Month activities, health fairs and upcoming East Region Health Expo (1A); collaborative, educational and promotional activities (3A)</li> <li>• <u>Communities Against Substance Abuse</u>- Public health internship (1B); youth initiative activities, youth action research, annual event (1B, 3A); youth engagement in policy initiatives, valuing diversity activities (2A); smoke free community housing, tobacco retailer compliance monitoring (3A, 3B)</li> <li>• <u>Probation Services</u>- Juvenile Hall Open House, Drug Take Back Day activities (2A); youth mentoring activities (1B); anti-bullying/character education activities (3B)</li> <li>• <u>Institute for Public Strategies</u>- Meth Strike Force, Marijuana Initiative, alcohol serial users policy activities (2A); youth group, LiveWell Substance Abuse Prevention Workgroup (1B)</li> <li>• <u>SD County HHSA</u>- LiveWell Workgroups, Communities of Excellence, Its Up 2 Us activities (2A, 3A)</li> <li>• <u>Cajon Valley Union School District</u>- Healthy Kids Survey (3A, 3B); Tobacco Prevention Grant activities (1A, 2A, 3A)</li> </ul> <p>*Strategic Work Priorities listed at the end of this document</p>	
<p><b>V. Coordinator Activity Highlights-</b></p> <p><b>LaVonna</b> handed out a copy of the March 2013 Coordinator Update and encouraged team members to review it. She highlighted a few activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident Leadership Academy is flourishing. Residents are fully engaged and are in their 6<sup>th</sup> week of class.</li> <li>• SANDAG grant has launched. LaVonna is working on projects to meet the deliverables for this contract. Community outreach will begin in May 2013.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>VI. Collaborative Business-</b></p> <p><b>LaVonna</b> presented a draft FY 2013-14 Budget for review. Team members were fully engaged in the review process. The Budget was not approved for recommendation to Executive Team due to questions regarding how the proposed budget shortfall would be covered. <b>LaVonna</b> explained that ECC's Budgets are approved based on a contingency that ECC will apply for and receive grant funding in FY 2013-2014.</p>	<p>LaVonna will consult Finance Team Chair on how to proceed.</p>

**Next Core Team Meeting:** Tuesday, May 21, 2013/ 8:30-10:00am @ Little House



## **El Cajon Collaborative: Strategic Work Priorities (April 2010- June 2013)**

### **Overall Strategic Focus- Public Safety and Youth**

#### Goals:

1. Increase pro-social activities for youth
  - a. Engage community into recreation facilities and activities
  - b. Seek opportunities for mentoring youth
  
2. Increase community involvement in Collaborative partnerships
  - a. Mobilize residents to proactively participate in public safety activities
  
3. Enhance prevention activities for youth using the public health model of universal, secondary and targeted interventions
  - a. Improve community wellness
  - b. Increase community partnerships to prevent bullying and provide character education