

STRENGTHEN FAMILIES LOCALLY

2/16/2021 Meeting Notes

Updates:

SFL onboarding document:

<https://dcyf.box.com/s/pirdixemujfr1hw75gj3bp0enhebg1c4>

Port Spokane Project Overview:

<https://dcyf.box.com/s/8929lbze46wh7ycxnj50v9adpd3z43t>

DCYF Data Review Meeting (2/1/21):

<https://dcyf.box.com/s/w0sbaoczy49qfyi1hbm4hgxjvwnxporx>

Next meeting: 3/1

Topic: Community planning - aligned efforts

What strategies and objectives are other agencies/collaboratives pursuing related to our goals? How do they overlap with our ideas, and how might we braid strategies together? (Bring your thoughts!)

Sensemaker tool:

PS/S Locale direct link: <http://ourtomorro.ws/Spokane>

(For use only in the city of Spokane, but **preferred** for that area)

Rest of WA (organized by county): <http://ourtomorro.ws/WADCYF>

(For use in other parts of Spokane co. and state-wide)

Discussion: What do you think?

- Could be a way to share frustrations - “I did that and this is what happened” - facing barriers – empowering – for both providers and for families
- Covid - breaking down on a timeline what is happening
- Timelines and numbers of respondents – The survey will continue to be open throughout the project. We are hoping to hold a “sensemaking” session in late March or early April to review the stories that have come in so far. Our minimum hope is 50 stories, but we feel that that’s a very easy to reach goal.



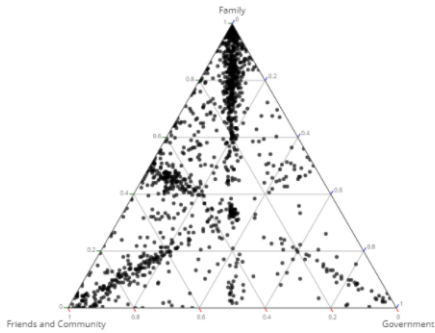
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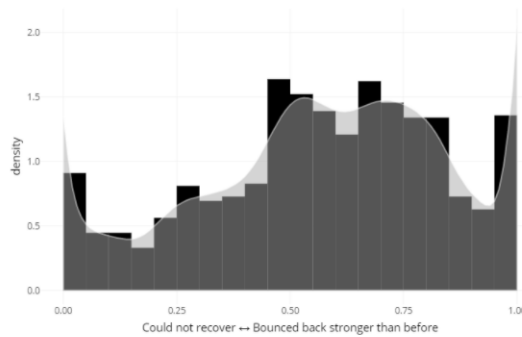
Sensemaking example:

Sensemaking: Example

Triangles example:



Family Resilience Example:



- Can be divided and compared between race, economic level, gender, geographics
- Also, can look at a quadrant of the graph and see who is more likely to answer that way

Sensemaker Distribution:

Step 1: Explaining the project:

- What will you tell people when they ask you “Why are you collecting stories?”
Something like: We are collecting stories to help us understand how to improve services and supports for families in the community.

Step 2: Establish a story collection strategy

- What collection strategy will work best for you?
 Who will you collect from?
 Where will you be collecting?
 When will you be collecting?
 What will you need to get started?

Outreach/Engagement Goal	Who needs to be involved?	Primary Activities	Timeframe

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Sensemaker distribution	- Families - Service providers - Community members - Focus on equity	- Data directly from families - An “easy ask” of families and service providers - way to be involved right away - Community volunteers trained as “Citizen Journalists”	Starting Feb 2021 (and ongoing) Community meeting: 2/24, 10-11:30
Sensemaker analysis (“Sensemaking”)	- Planning team - Invite families, service providers who participated	- Understand Sensemaker data as a community	March - April (and ongoing)

Spokane Engagement Planning:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qUScuHUrKlZrSYzdsOfed52Q6aJ0wE5tK1GHtg4xwTY/edit?usp=sharing>

Contact list: We signed up to forward the Citizen Journalist workshop link to the following:

Andrea: Mockingbird Society (will connect Joy)

Jennifer:

Kim Kreber – Community Health Worker for SRHD
SPS School Counselors – will connect with Oscar too
Dr. MLK Jr. Community Center

Jene: Homelessness Coalition – will send text of invite

Dan: American Indian Community Center – Linda Lauch

Joy: 211

Meeting invite text:

Join parents, volunteers, community agencies, schools, tribes, and the Department of Children, Youth and Families in building stronger, healthier communities and families. [Strengthen Families Locally](#) is a project aimed at increasing family and community resilience to prevent child maltreatment and removal in 4 communities, including Spokane.

We are prioritizing the voices of **families and youth**. The Citizen Journalist Workshop will provide participants with tools to help tell, gather, and share these stories. It will also include an overview of the SFL project and DCYF child welfare data, for those unfamiliar with the SFL project. Future workshops will engage community participants in using the stories we collect to co-design supports for families.

Topics:

- Overview of Strengthen Families Locally and local child welfare statistics
- Citizen Journalist Training using Sensemaker (online tool)
- Discussion of community opportunities related to strengthening families

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Meeting time: 2/24, 10-11:30 am

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://dcyf.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAlcu-grjoiGtMETOvMDCnH6bzCN2SmC8ns>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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