

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES LOCALLY

8/31/20 Spokane planning meeting notes

In attendance:

Penny Spencer (Spokane Tribal Network), Kim Norman (Spokane Tribal Network), Rowena Pineda (United Way), Gretchen Chomas (Spokane Regional Health District), Alison Ball (Family Impact Network), Shannon Shelland (Family Impact Network), Rebecca Harris (Parent Advocate), Jeff Kincaid (DCYF - RA), Richard Volke (DCYF - AA), Nicolle Labelle (DCYF – AA), Dan Aune (Empire Health Foundation), Joy Lile (DCYF - SFL)

Principles:

DCYF is committed to the following:

1. Approaches will be strengths-based, culturally appropriate, and inclusive
2. Mobilization will occur at multiple levels, including state government, local government, local non-profits, schools, families, volunteers, tribes, faith communities, etc., and will occur through a variety of means
3. We will work to develop trust and strengthen shared values
4. Our work will strengthen community organizations
5. Teams will develop a continuum of information, services, and supports to strengthen families
6. Communities will target interventions for families with complex and co-occurring risks

What other values and commitments are important to this work?

(Grouped by agreement, as rated through group process)

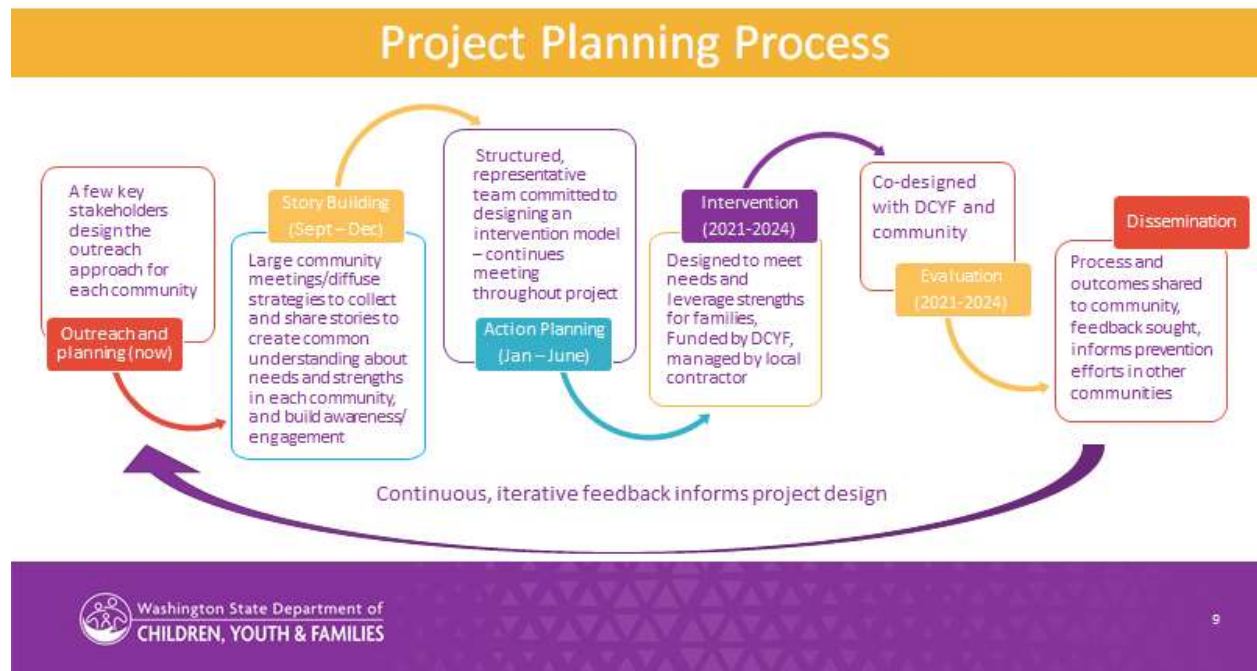
- 7 – Honesty, constructive feedback, open mind, cultural and spiritual consideration
- 5 – Community to invest in process
- 5 – Finding ways to amplify parent voice – increase participation
- 3 – sustaining the workforce necessary to carry out the plan – including natural community supports and those who are credentialed
- 2 – Supporting the natural community supports for families and children
- 2 – Transparency – in how DCYF communicates with the community
- 1- Being able to share and be honest and open with one-another about our differences
- 1 – language barriers – using translated materials or interpreters
- 1 – Consistency in attendance from meeting to meeting – having the agency/group represented



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- Keep group informed by email for meeting updates
- Engaging families through difference means and avenues

Project planning process



Process notes:

- We are "planning to plan" right now – building momentum and designing outreach and engagement approaches
- Intentions:
 - Generate community awareness of project and engagement
 - Collect stories and insights about community needs
 - Develop into a more structured advisory committee-style group
- Goal of structured leadership team will be to develop intervention and identify community organization(s) to carry out work
 - Community organizations will focus on
 - 1. Community priorities
 - 2. Community facilitation
- Budget reflects the following:
 - \$72,000/year for priorities
 - \$55,000/year for facilitation

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 Family Support Programs Division

- This is a “pilot” of a bigger approach within DCYF. We are hoping that successful achievement of goals will lead to more funding of similar projects within DCYF. As for specific sustainability of the Bremerton project, there may either be DCYF funding for that or we may seek other funders.

What questions or thoughts do you have?

- Demographics of children being removed
- Breakdown of demographics of hot spot area (i.e. ethnicity, organizations/businesses in area, churches)
- How are target populations going to be identified
- Workflow map of service process
- Key stakeholder list with bios
- Project website to add to transparency

Collaborations

Sector/Role	Org.	Name	Who will contact?
Schools			
Tribal groups	American Indian Community Center		Jeff
	Native Project	Toni Lodge	Joy
	Mujeres in Action		Joy
Childcare - ECAP, Early Head Start			
	Child Care Aware of Eastern Wa - working in NE Spokane		Rowena

Next Steps:

- Next meeting – 9/21, 1:30-3
- Jeff – to look for DCYF data for Spokane and forward to Joy
- Establishing planning meeting time (Mondays or Thursdays monthly, we will discuss at next meeting)
- Looking at local community and DCYF data
- Reviewing outreach materials and developing outreach plans

Reviewing Sensemaker tool and developing data collection plan