SAN DIEGO COUNTY SITE VISIT SLIDES

Please see the following presentation slides shared by the San Diego County Live Well team at the Oceanside Site Visit on Friday, August 11, 2023:

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- The Power of Numbers: Data Integration at HHSA (pages 59-67)
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 Presentation by Andrew Strong, Director

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- Behavioral Health Services: Re-Imagining Service Delivery (pages 102-118) Presentation by Aurora Kiviat, Assistant Director of Departmental Operations
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Organizational Overview COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

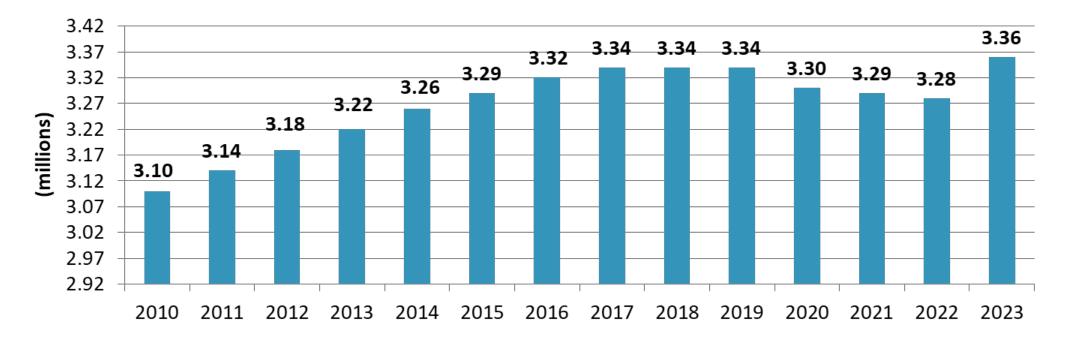
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County of San Diego

San Diego County's population has grown 8.54% between 2010 and 2023 and has averaged 3.3 million residents over the past 5 years.*



San Diego County Population

Notes: Data for 2010 and 2020 are official census counts. Other years are estimates Source: *U.S. Census Bureau



FY 2023-24 Adopted Operational Plan: General Fund

State Revenue \$1,928.3M 31.0% Fund Balance Component Dec./Use of Fund Balance Federal Revenue \$51.4M \$1,233.2M 0.8% 19.9% Property & Other Taxes Other \$1,562.7M Intergovernmental 25.2% Revenue \$193.8M 3.1% Operating Transfers and Other Charges for Financing Sources, Use of Money Services, Fees, & & Property & Misc. Revenues Fines \$675.3M \$566.9M 10.9% 9.1%

General Fund Financing Sources

Finance Other \$245.8M Public Safety 4.0% \$2,171.5M 35.0% Finance & General Government \$364.5M 5.9% Land Use & Environment \$254.9M 4.1% Health & Human Services \$3,174.8M 51.1% JOFS

General Fund Appropriations by Group/Agency

Board of Supervisors



Board Initiatives

Uplifting Boys & Men of Color

Mental Crisis Response Teams

Cannabis Equity

Regional Decarbonization

Prevailing Wage

Housing Blueprint

Immigrant Affairs

Community Choice Energy

Placement of Sexually Violent Predators

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Labor Standards

Language Access



Board of Supervisors

• Sets policy direction for the County

Chief Administrative Officer

• Operationalizes Board policy direction



Chief Administrative Officer



Helen N. Robbins-Meyer Chief Administrative Officer



Michael Vu Assistant Chief Administrative Officer

Vision & Mission

Vision

• A just, sustainable, and resilient future for all

Mission

 Strengthen our communities with innovative, inclusive, and data-driven services through a skilled and supported workforce



Values

Integrity	Equity	Access	Belonging	Excellence	Sustainability
Earn the public's trust through honest and fair behavior, exhibiting the courage to do the right thing for the right reason, and dedicating ourselves to the highest standards of ethical conduct.	Apply an equity lens to appropriately design programs and services so that underserved communities have equitable opportunities. Using data driven metrics, lived experiences and the voices of our community we weave equity through all policies and programs.	Build trust with the residents we serve through transparent communication and neighborhood engagement that is accessible in the languages, facilities and methods that meet their needs.	Foster a sense of belonging, not just inclusion, for the people we serve and for the employees of the County who provide those services on a daily basis.	Ensure exceptional service delivery to our customers by practicing fiscal prudence, encouraging innovation and leveraging best practices that promote continuous improvement to build strong, vibrant communities.	Secure the future of our region, by placing sustainability at the forefront of our operations deeply embedded into our culture. Dedicate ourselves to meeting our residents' current resource needs without compromising our ability to meet the needs of generations to come.

General Management System



5 Components of the GMS

- Strategic Planning a five-year plan to detail what we are doing and where we are going for the community and our employees.
- <u>Operational Planning</u> a two-year plan for prioritizing and allocating resources, both financial dollars and staff time
- **Evaluation and Accountability** consistent, data-driven analysis of programs and services
- <u>Collaboration</u> working together across County departments to serve the community with the most effective, efficient, and accessible services.
- Employee Investment and Engagement working to engage and inspire our workforce, attract and retain talent to our organization, and highlight the meaningful contributions of our County team.



Strategic Initiatives

Sustainability



Economy

- Align the County's available resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and ensure long-term solvency.
- Create policies to reduce and eliminate poverty, promoting economic sustainability for all.

Climate

• Actively combat climate change through innovative or proven policies, green jobs, sustainable facility construction or maintenance and hazard mitigation.

Environment

- Protect and promote our natural and agricultural resources, diverse habitats and sensitive species.
- Cultivate a natural environment for residents, visitors and future generations to enjoy.

Resiliency

• Ensure the capability to respond and recover to immediate needs for individuals, families, and the region.





Health

- Reduce disparities and disproportionality and ensure access for all through a fully optimized health and social service delivery system and upstream strategies.
- Focus on policy, systems and environmental approaches that ensure equal opportunity for health and well-being through partnerships and innovation.

Housing

• Utilize policies, facilities, infrastructure, and finance to provide housing opportunities that meet the needs of the community.

Economic Opportunity

- Dismantle barriers to expanding opportunities in traditionally underserved communities and businesses, especially communities of color and low income.
- Advance opportunities for economic growth and development to all individuals and the community.

Empower



Workforce

• Invest in our workplace and operations by providing support services and excellent customer service to ensure continuity of operations remains at its best.

Transparency and Accountability

• Maintain program and fiscal integrity through reports, disclosures, and audits.

Innovation

• Foster new idea and the implementation of proven best practices to achieve organizational excellence.

Community



Engagement

• Inspire civic engagement by providing information, programs, public forums or other avenues that increase access for individuals or communities to use their voice, their vote, and their experience to impact change.

Safety

Support safety for all communities, including protection from crime, availability of emergency
medical services and fire response, community preparedness and regional readiness to respond to a
disaster.

Quality of Life

• Create proactive communication that is accessible and transparent.

Offer interpreters for community meetings or translations of information to ensure residents have every opportunity to make informed decisions while listening to, participating in or using County services or programs.

Partnership

• Facilitate meaningful conversations, shared programming, grant opportunities, or other opportunities to maximize resources through community partnerships to benefit the region.

Justice



Safety

- Ensure a fair and equitable justice system in the defense and prosecution of crimes, investigations of abuse and neglect, and support and services for victims.
- Focus efforts to reduce disparities and disproportionality across the justice system.

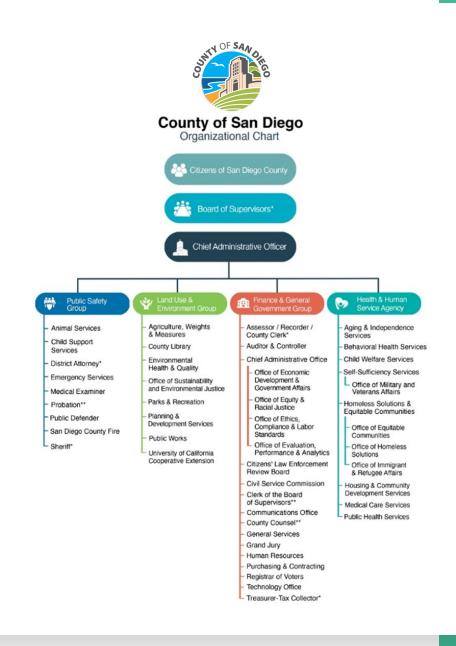
Restorative

 Contribute to a system of restorative justice that strives to repair harm to victims and to the community at large, as well provide inclusive opportunities for justice involved individuals to contribute to the region.

Environmental

- Advance equal protection and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies with an urgent focus on communities of color and low-income communities recognizing they historically lacked the same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards.
- Ensuring equal access to decision-making processes that create healthy environments in which to live, learn and work.

Organizational Structure



Deputy Chief Administrative Officers





Sarah Aghassi Land Use & Environment Group

Holly Porter Public Safety Group Ebony Shelton CFO/ Finance & General Government Group



Dr. Eric McDonald Health and Human Services Agency



CAO Offices

Economic Development & Government Affairs

Equity and Racial Justice

Ethics, Compliance and Labor Standards Enforcement

Evaluation, Performance & Analytics



Office of Economic Development & Government Affairs (EDGA)



The Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs (EDGA) is responsible for maintaining the Board of Supervisors' Legislative Program; creating and implementing a vibrant economic development strategy by expanding the County's role in Arts and Culture; administering a Grants Office and updating and implementing the County's Strategic Plan and governance documents.







Office of Evaluation, Performance & Analytics

Vision

• Informing County governance to make the best possible decisions to improve the lives of people in San Diego County.

Mission

• The Office of Evaluation, Performance and Analytics integrates evidence-building capabilities to inform policy, budget, and operational decisions for the betterment of the San Diego county region.

OEPA OVERVIEW

Thank You!

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Health and Human Services Agency Overview: Los Angeles County Innovation Exchange

Eric C. McDonald, MD, Interim Agency Director Patty Kay Danon, Chief Operations Officer

August 11, 2023



Outline

- HHSA Overview
- History
- Agency Promise
- Budget
- Cross-Threading



HHSA Overview

The Health and Human Services Agency is an integrated agency with a robust service network. Its many programs are designed to help all 3.3 million San Diego County residents live well.

VISION

A region that is building better health, living safely, and thriving to advance a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all.

MISSION

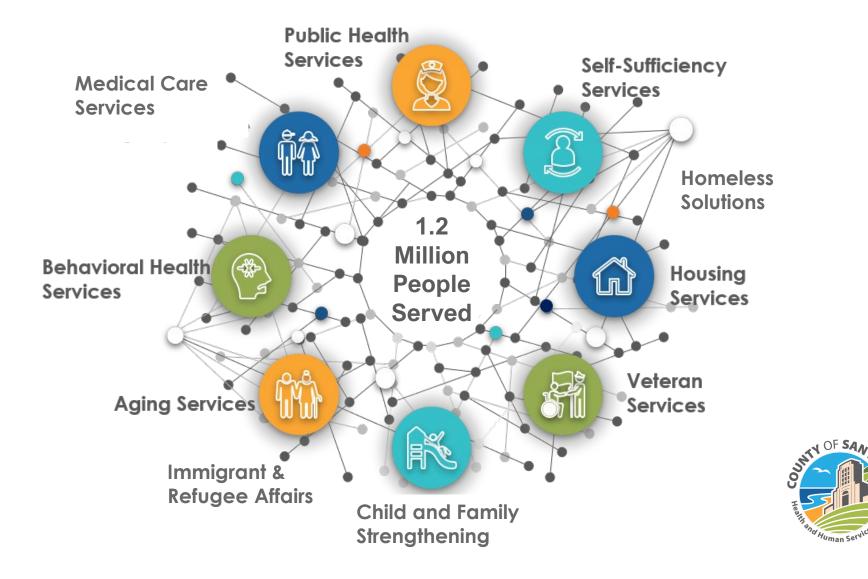
To make people's lives healthier, safer, and self-sufficient by delivering essential services in San Diego County.





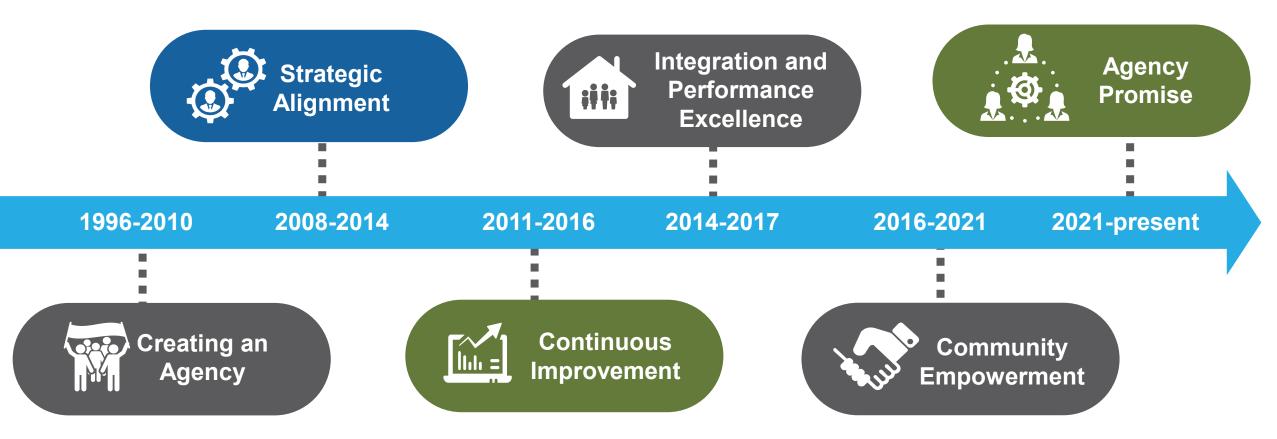


HHSA Overview





HHSA History





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Agency Promise







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are motivated to work together toward

one vision.

grow, connect, and thrive.

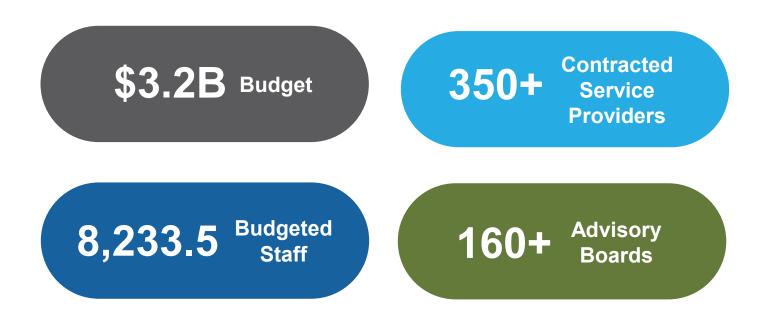
thrive that enhance wellbeing.

improving value and contributes to the Agency's ongoing success.

infrastructure and data sharing capabilities.

Operationalizing the Agency Promise

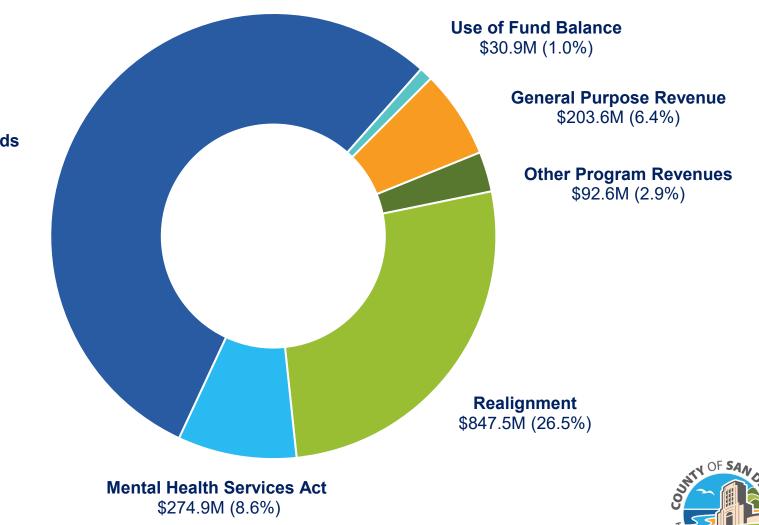






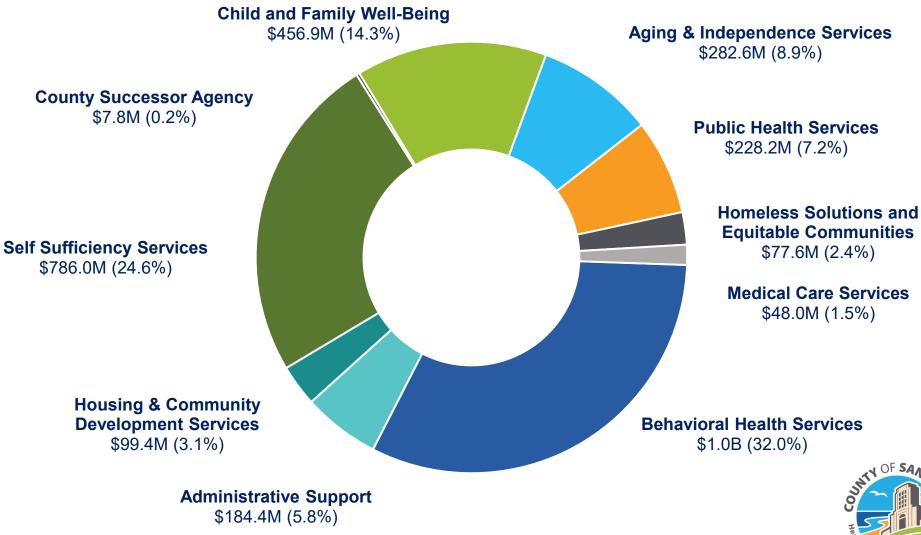
HHSA Revenues

State and Federal Funds \$1.7B (54.6%)



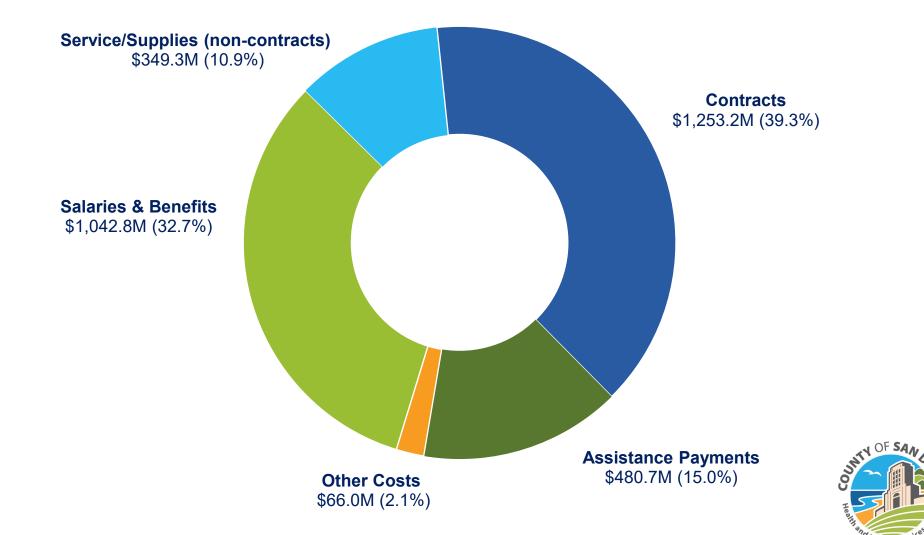








HHSA Budget





Contracts



Department	Number of Contracts	Total Value for Current FY
Aging and Independence Services	59	\$21,189,765.57
Behavioral Health Services	347	\$759,735,934.27
Child Welfare Services*	79	\$66,393,389.82
Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities	39	\$41,438,646.34
Housing and Community Development Services	61	\$18,343,259.08
Medical Care Services	17	\$5,811,364.74
Office of Strategy and Innovation	6	\$1,456,044.00
Public Health Services	143	\$65,978,804.30
Self-Sufficiency Services	38	\$88,776,999.00
Support Divisions	17	\$20,305,859.20

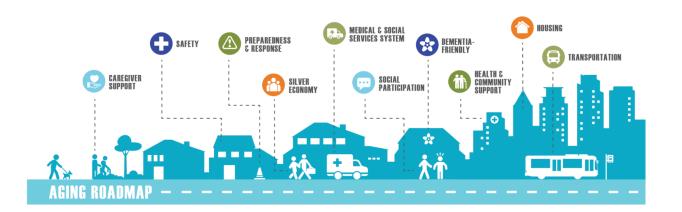
*Child Welfare Services has transitioned to the Child and Family-Well Being Department

Cross-Threading

- Framework for Ending Homelessness
 - Homeless Cabinet
- Aging Roadmap
- Behavioral Health Continuum of Care
- Childcare Blueprint



- Future Generations Council
- Enterprise-wide
 - Sustainability and Climate Action Plans
- Specific Positions
 - Chief Nursing Officer, Geriatric Officer, Pediatric Officer, Dental Officer



Examples

- Agency Executive Office and Central Administrative Support
- Monthly Executive Team meetings
- Monthly Operations Report
- Operational Plan Scorecard
- Dashboards and Reports
- Community Engagement Committee
- Communications Meetings







Thank You





Priorities









Meeting Safety Net Demands Strengthening Children & Families, Supporting Seniors & Vulnerable Adults Homelessness & Affordable Housing

Behavioral Health and Public Health Service Delivery





Live Well San Diego: A Shared Vision

Carey Riccitelli, MPH Director, Office of Strategy & Innovation Health and Human Services Agency County of San Diego, CA



WE KNOW

THAT THREE NUMBERS AFFECT US ALL:



1 World Health Organization (WHO). "The Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health." http://www.who.int/dietphysicalactivity/media/en/gsfs_general.pdf (Accessed September 22, 2011). 2 3Four50, www.3four50.com (Accessed September 22, 2011).





OUR VISION

Shared vision for change









COLLECTIVE IMPACT

The 5 New Conditions of Collective Impact

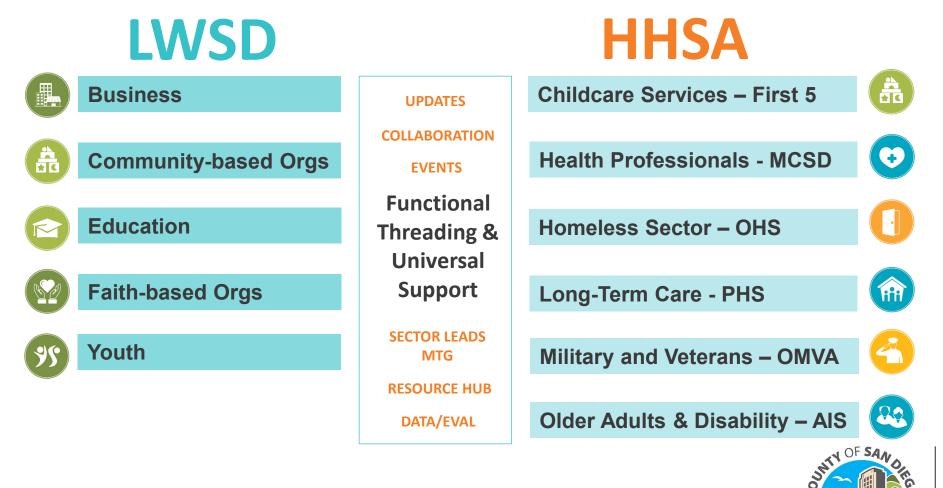


Source: Collective Impact 3.0 | An Evolving Framework for Community Change





ONGOING ENGAGEMENT





ACTION FRAMEWORK







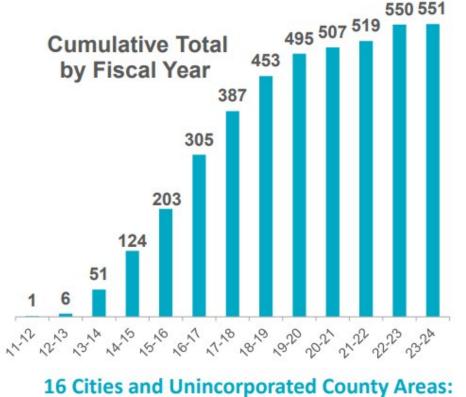
MEASURING IMPACT





Percent of population living within 1/4 mile of a park or community space.

RECOGNIZED PARTNERS

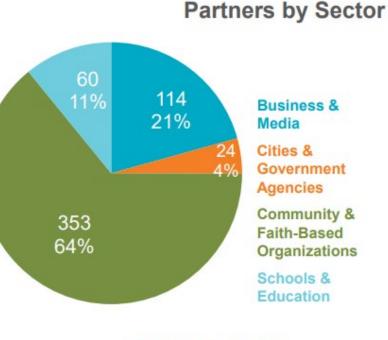


over 3.3 million Residents

39 School Districts - 495,000+ Students

551

Recognized Partners Includes 4 International Partners as of 08/07/2023







Total Current Partners: 539

JUST SOME OF OUR PARTNERS...





LIVE WELL ON WHEELS (LIVE WoW)

What is Live WoW?

- Two vehicles that bring County services directly to community members
- Available for request by community organization and internal County departments

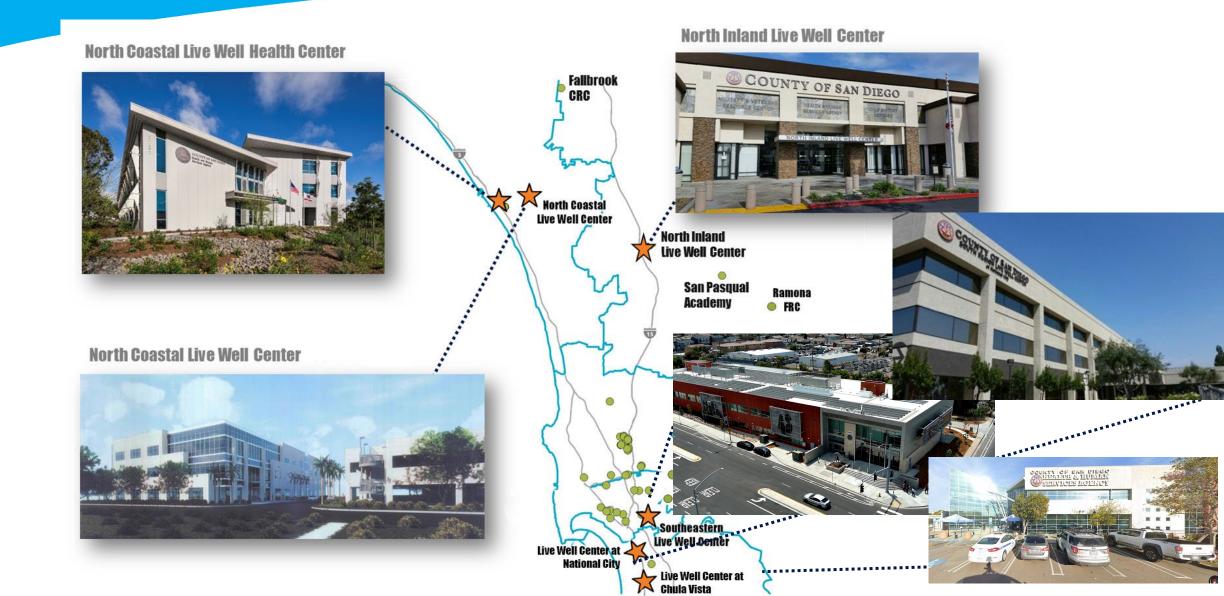
Website: LiveWellSD.org/livewow Twitter: @LiveWoWBus







LIVE WELL CENTERS: ENGAGING COMMUNITIES, ENHANCING SERVICES



North Coastal Live Well Center

- Aging and Independence Services
- Bureau of Public Assistance Investigations
- Child Welfare Services Rady's
- Community Services for Families
- Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities
- EQUUS

- Health Care Options
- North County Coastal Career Center
- North County Lifeline
- Office of Military and Veteran Affairs
- Public Health
- Self-Sufficiency Services
- Social Security Advocacy



2022 LWSD ANNUAL IMPACT







THANK YOU!

Visit our website at: <u>livewellsd.org</u>

Join us!

Sunday, 9/17: Live Well 5k & 1 Mile Fun Run

Wednesday, 11/1: Live Well Advance Conference



THE POWER OF NUMBERS

DATA INTEGRATION AT THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY

Craig Sturak, Chief, Office of Strategy and Innovation Ricardo Gutierrez, Manager, Office of Business Intelligence



OFFICE OF STRATEGY & INNOVATION

WHO WE ARE

- Equity & Strategic Partnerships
- Media & Communications
- Live Well San Diego Support Team
- Office of Business Intelligence
- Strategy and Legislative Affairs

OUR CORE COMPETENCIES

- Drive Strategy
- Make Data Actionable
- Communicate and Collaborate



OFFICE OF BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE

OBI TEAM

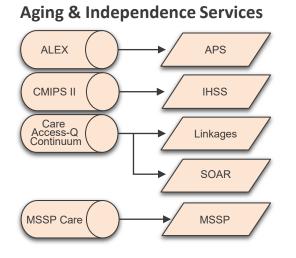
- Manager and Assistant Manager
- Six Data and Research Analysts
- Two Program Specialists
- Three Geographic Information
 Systems (GIS) Analysts
- One Epidemiologist

WHAT WE DO

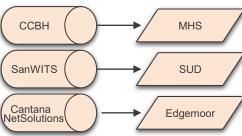
- Data Analysis, Visualization and Reporting
- GIS/Geospatial Analysis
- Project Management/Process
 Improvement



CUSTOMER RECORD LINKAGE

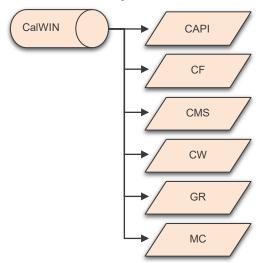


Behavioral Health Services



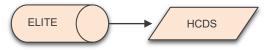
Child & Family Well-Being

Self-Sufficiency Services

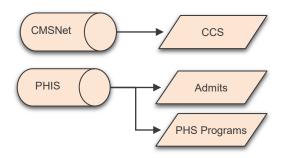


Housing

& Community Development Services



Public Health Services

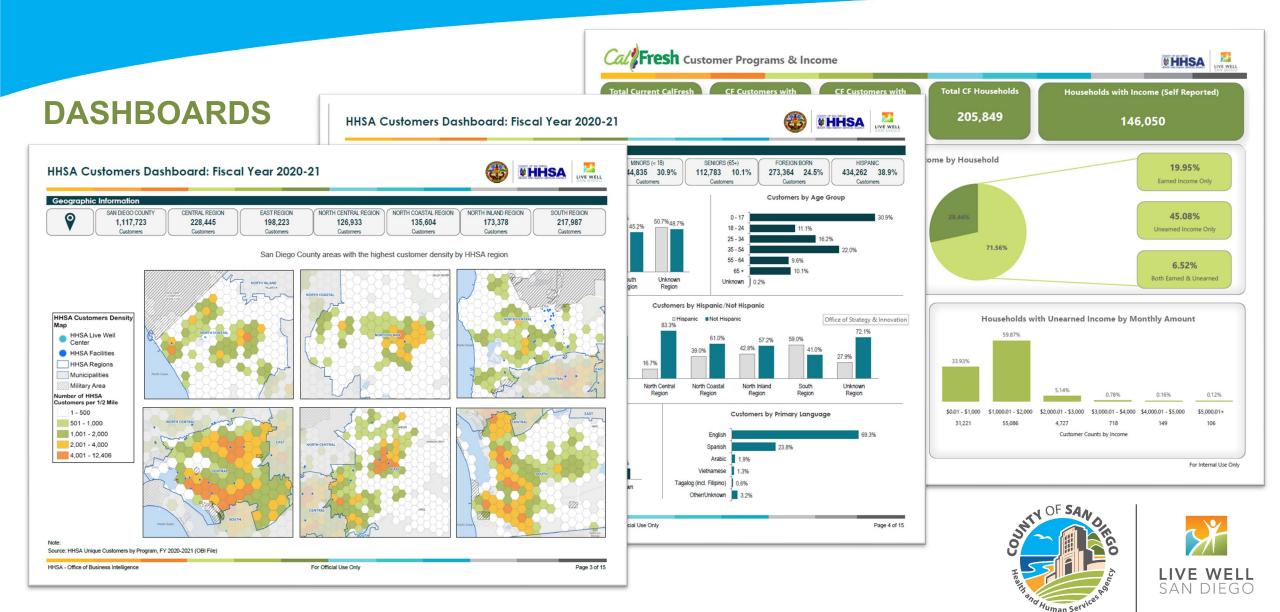


Office of Military and Veterans Affairs

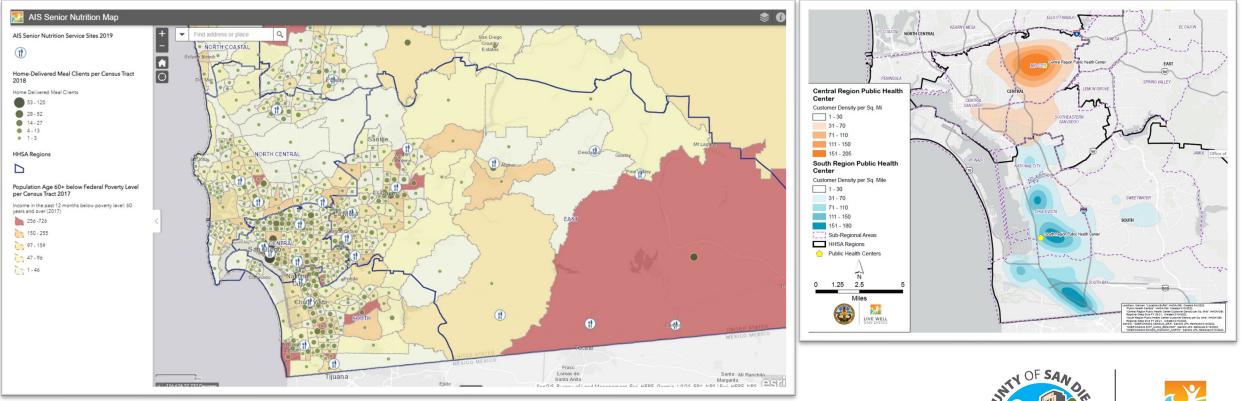
VetPro OMVA







GIS MAPPING/VISUALIZATION





DATA SHARING AGREEMENTS

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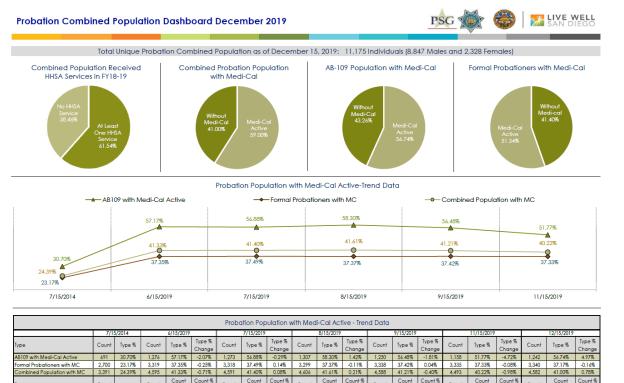
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Change

-2.28% 2.238



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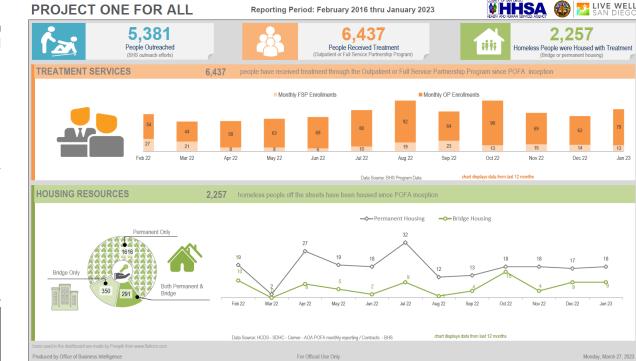
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Change

53 0.59%







OFFICE OF STRATEGY & INNOVATION

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Shared organizational vision across leadership
- Team make-up needs a balance of skill sets
- Close working relationship with Counsel and Compliance
- Data governance with representatives across the enterprise
- InterOptimability







Andrew Strong (He/Him)

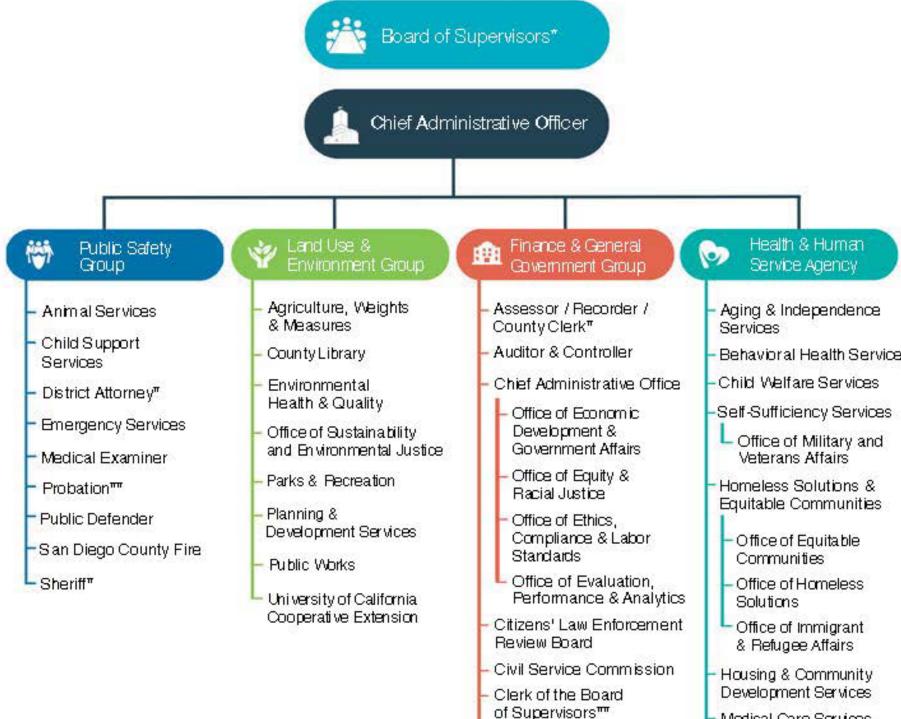
Office of Equity & Racial Justice

OFFICE OF EQUITY & RACIAL JUSTICE

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Established by the Board of Supervisors to identify and address systemic bias and disparities though the lens of racial justice.





Communications Office County Counsel* General Services Grand Jury Human Resources Purchasing & Contracting Registrar of Voters

- Technology Office
- Treasurer-Tax Collector[®]

*Elected Officials ** Reports to the Board of Supervisors

- Behavioral Health Services

- Medical Care Services
- Public Health Services

COUNTY D&I PARTNERSHIP MODEL

Leon L. Williams Human Relations Commission

31-member commission established to promote positive human relations, respect and integrity of every individual in the County of San Diego.

Office of Equity & Racial Justice

Devoted to engaging the community to cocreate transformative. enduring. structural and systemic change in San Diego County government.



HRC

Employee Resource Groups (ERGs)

The County of San Diego has ten thriving Employee Resource Groups that play an important role in advancing our commitment to diversity and creating and sustaining an inclusive workplace. ERGs provide employees networking and professional development activities, support County initiatives, and promote cultural awareness.

Diversity & Inclusion Executive Council

Diverse executive leadership creating a culture that keeps diversity and inclusion at the forefront for leaders throughout the enterprise by guiding the County's diversity and inclusion strategy.

Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

D&I

EC

DHR EDI

OEC

Department of Human Resources: Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Division Internally focused on integrating equity, diversity, and inclusion into the organizational County Culture and specifically supporting the areas of recruitment, hiring, and professional development/ advancement.

ERGs

Office of Ethics & Compliance

Department dedicated to fostering a culture of integrity, implementing the Code of Ethics, promoting ethics and compliance through developed policies, programs and trainings, and reviewing discrimination, fraud, waste and abuse complaints.

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OUR MISSION

OERJ partners with the community to **co-create** transformative, enduring, **structural and systemic change** in San Diego County government.

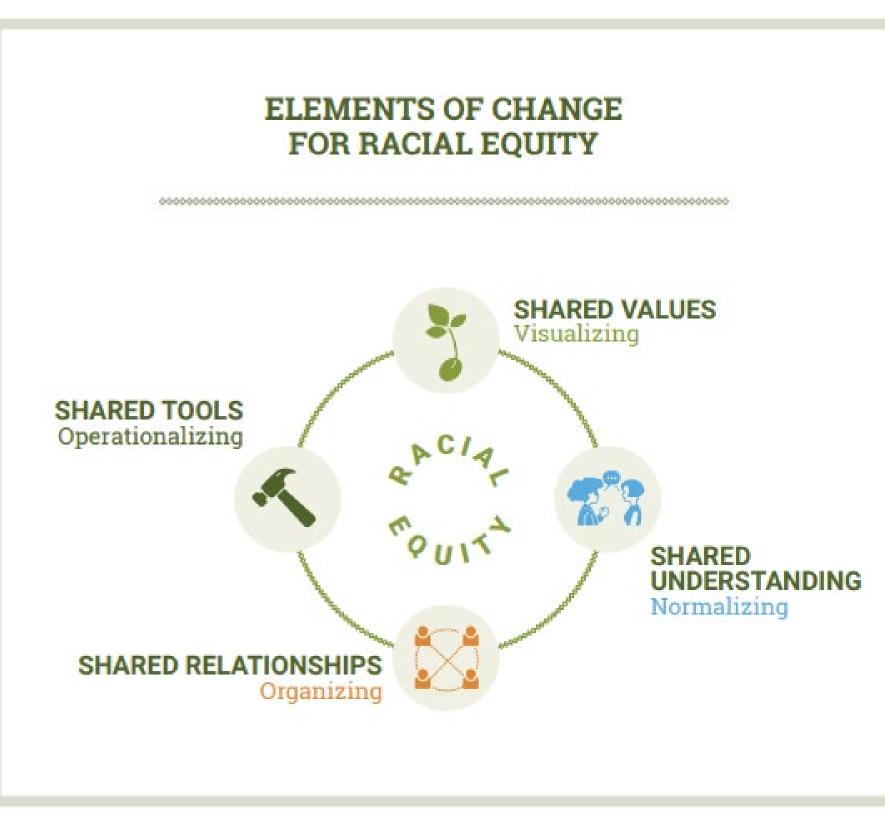
We bridge County of San Diego departments and community voices to **design bold policies and practices to advance equity**.

We champion **belonging** for all and **advocate** for people suffering from structural and systemic racism and exclusion.

GARE THEORY OF CHANGE

VISUALIZ ING 1.

- Articulate a clear racial equity vision \bullet that every department can engage with
- 2. NORMALIZING
 - Continue conversations about race and develop a common analysis of systemic drivers of inequity
- 3. ORGANIZING
 - Build capacity for change through internal, external, and cross-agency networks
- O P ERATIO NALIZ ING 4
 - Use a systematic process and racial equity tools to create data-driven goals and action plans



DECLARING RACISM A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS



Board of Supervisors Resolution on January 12, 2021 (BL – 08) Acknowledge systemic racism and health disparities in San Diego County Integrate Equity and Belonging into County's Mission, Vision, Values & Strategic Plan Equity Impact Statements included in all Board Letters as of June 2021 Enhance community input and

hance community input and data collection for County programs and policies

PROGRAMS & **INITIATIVES**

Socially Equitable Cannabis



Partner & Strategy Circle

Intersectional Gender Equity

Uplifting Boys & Men of Color

Equity Impact Grants

EQUITY TOOLS

EQUITY IMPACT **STATEMENT**

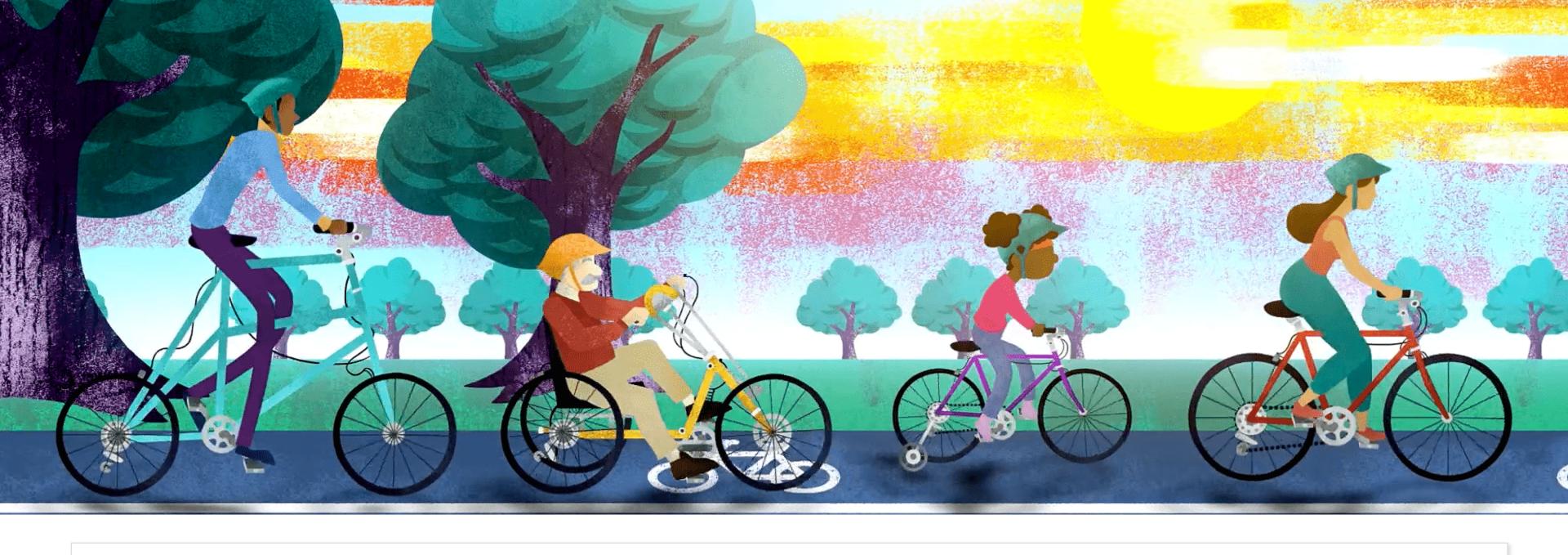
Included in every Board Letter starting in June 2021

BUDGET EQUITY **QUESTIONNAIRE**

EQUITY **INDICATORS**

Incorporated into Op Plan starting in FY 22-23





Equity Impact Report & Indicators



Equity Indicators Project Team

County Office of Equity & Racial Justice

- Mica Miragliotta, Management Fellow
- Samuel Tsoi, Equity Impact Manager

County Office of Evaluation, Performance, and Analytics

- Dr. Haruna Feldman, Chief Data Officer
- Cassandra Ott, Performance Branch Manager
- Chieko Seto, Group Program Manager
- Data Governance Committee

San Diego Regional Policy Innovation Center • Dr. Karen Boyd, Economist **Dr. Daniel Enemark**, Chief Economist • Gabriela Gonzalez, Economic Analyst **Dr. Alicia Jurek**, Economist

Data Governance Committee

 Group & Department Data Leads from across the Enterprise





Exploration of Equity Indicators

Community **Co-creation**

- Surveyed other cities and counties and equity indicators ullet
- Community listening sessions throughout Fall 2021 + stakeholder focus groups (120+) lacksquare



Equity Impact Report components

Disaggregated Data on Life Outcomes

Regional / National Comparison

Data Visualizations

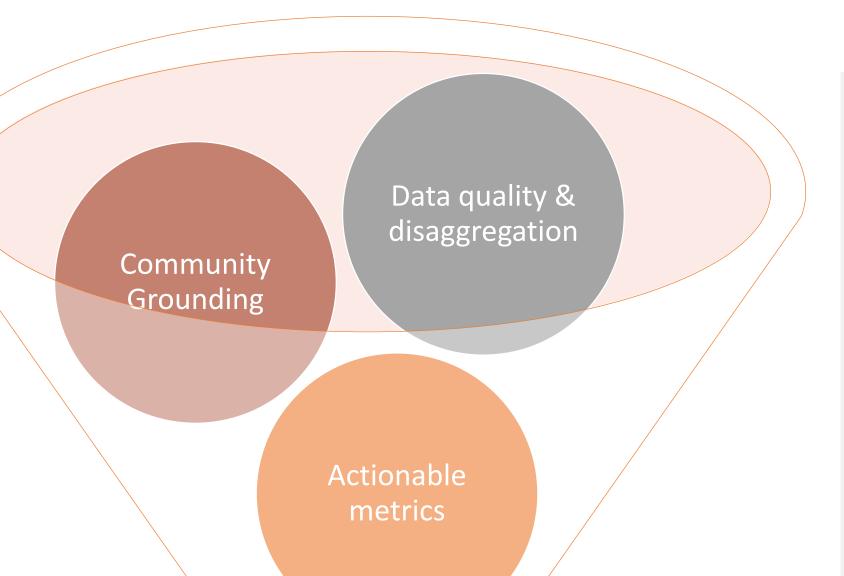
Narratives

History

Current initiatives & Goal-setting

120+ indicators in following areas:

- Early Childhood
- Education
- Employment / Income
- Transportation / mobility
- Community development
- Housing
- Safety
- Health & Human Services
- Food systems
- Natural & built environment
- Belonging, civics, social cohesion
- Law & justice



36 priority Equity Indicators

across 10 themes

Tools / Methods:

- Community listening sessions
- Comparative analysis of other jurisdictions
- Expertise / national studies
- Alignment with County priorities / functions
- Development of Theory of Change
- Thematic analysis
- Applicability to goalsetting, policymaking, strategic planning, program evaluation

36 Indicators Across 10 Themes



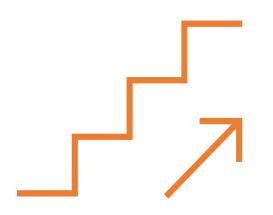


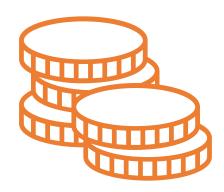


Early Childhood

Health

Crime & the Legal System







Education

Jobs & Finances

Housing



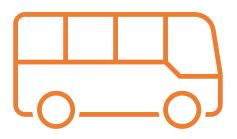
Food System



Parks & Nature

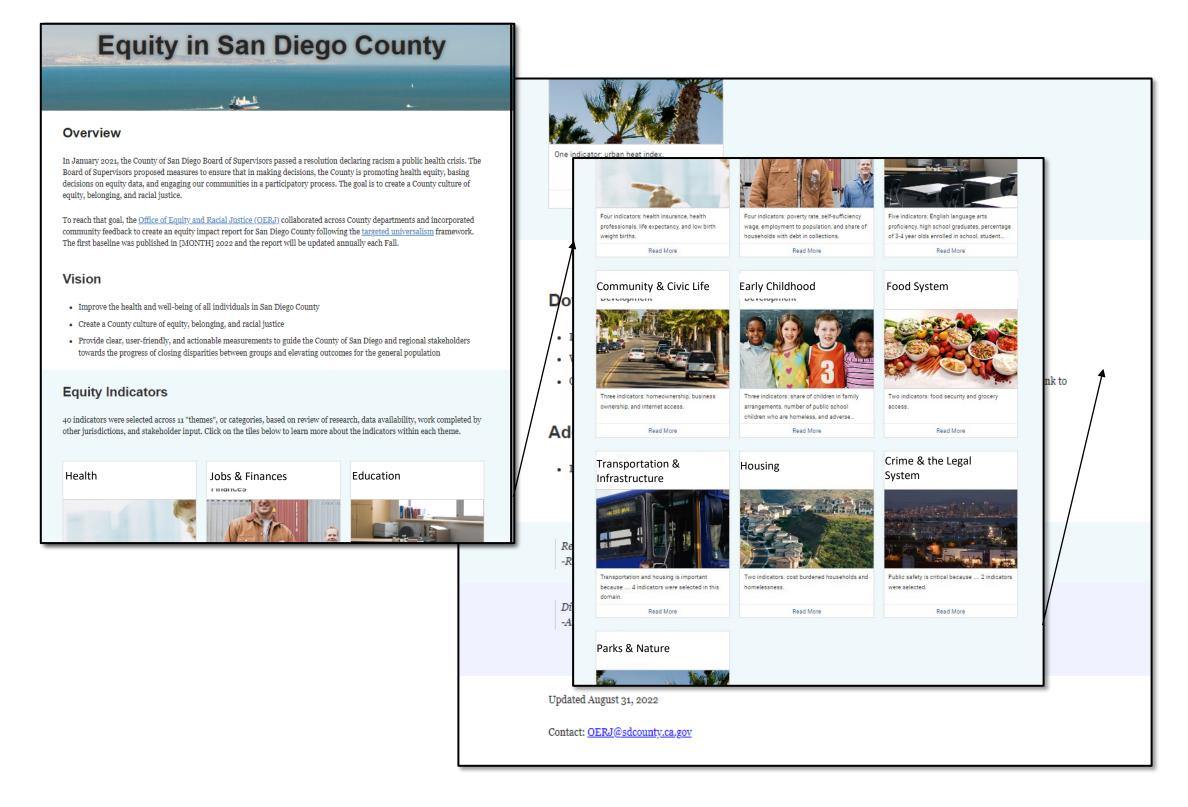


Community & Civic Life



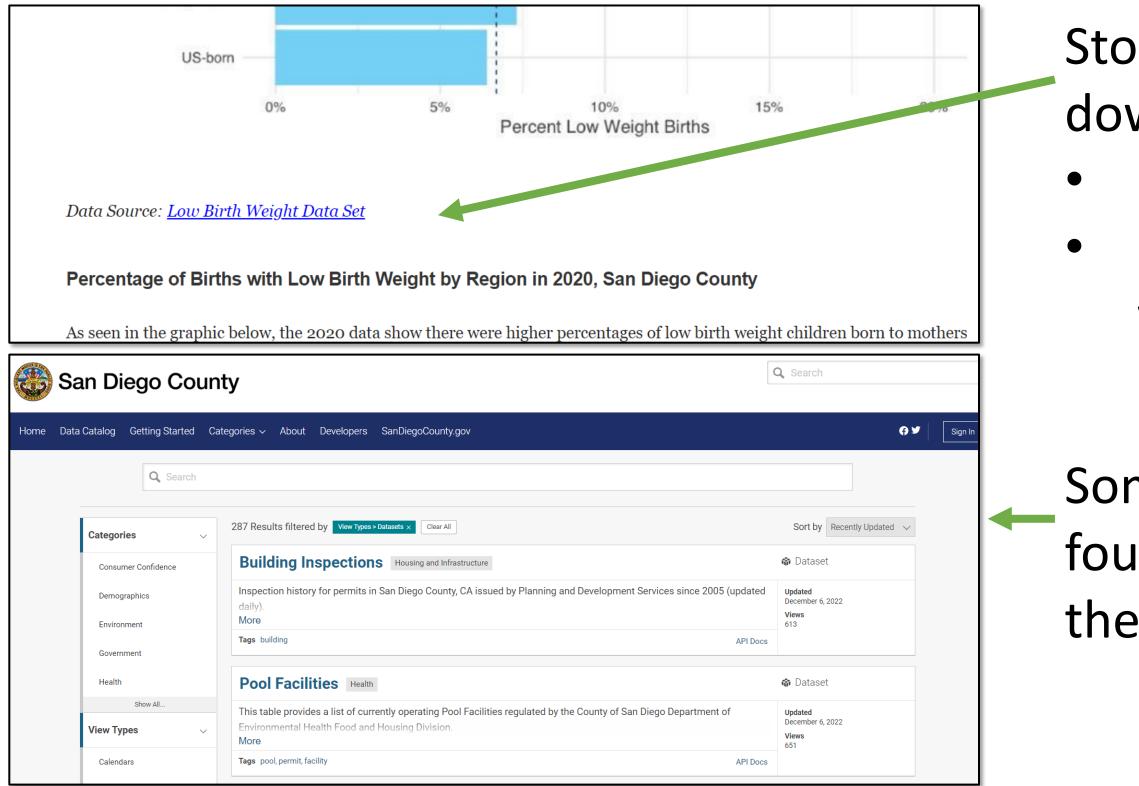
Transportation & Infrastructure

Web Pages



Design, content, and data are preliminary and may change for the final report.

Source Data



Design, content, and data are preliminary and may change for the final report.

Stories will contain links to downloadable data

County Open Data Portal Other publicly accessible websites

Some datasets can also be found in the Data Catalog of the County Open Data Portal

Share of Low Birthweight

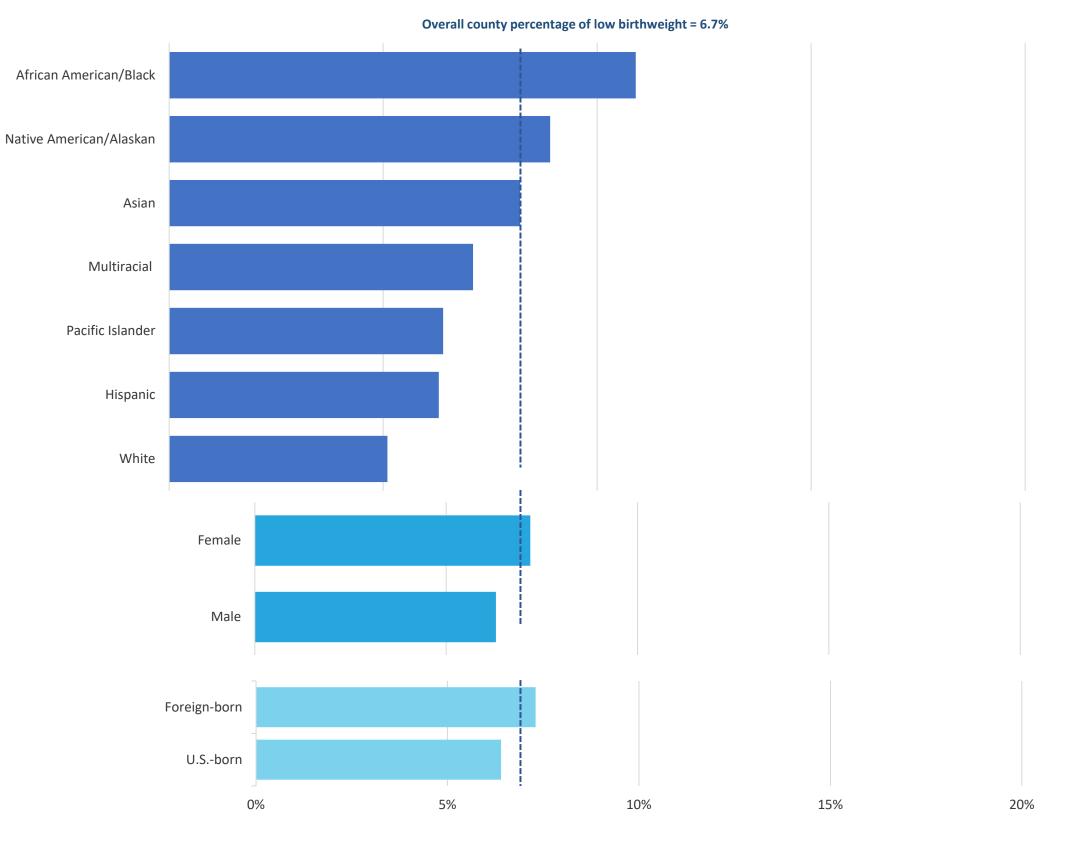
- Low birthweight (LBW): birthweight of less than 2,500 grams. LBW is a significant public health problem and indicator of maternal and fetal health, and a predictor of infant mortality, stunting, and adult-onset chronic conditions.¹
- 8.2% of infants born in the US weighed less than 2,500 grams in 2020.²
- In San Diego County, 6.7% of infants had low birthweight.10.9% of babies born to Black/African-American mothers had low birthweight, about twice the percentage as babies born to White mothers (5.1%).³

^{1.} Blencowe, H., Krasevec, J., et. al. (2019). National, regional, and worldwide estimates of low birthweight in 2015, with trends from 2000: a systematic analysis. The Lancet Global Health, Volume 7 (Issue 7), pages e849e860. https://doi.org/10.1016/S2214-109X(18)30565-5

^{2.} CDC, Births and Natality | FastStats. (2022, May 16). https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/births.htm

^{3.} County of San Diego, Public Health Services, Maternal, Child, and Family Health Services. https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/maternal child family health services/MCFHSstatistics.html

Percentage of Births with LBW by Race/Ethnicity of Mother, Gender of Infant, Nativity of Mother in 2020, San Diego County Residents



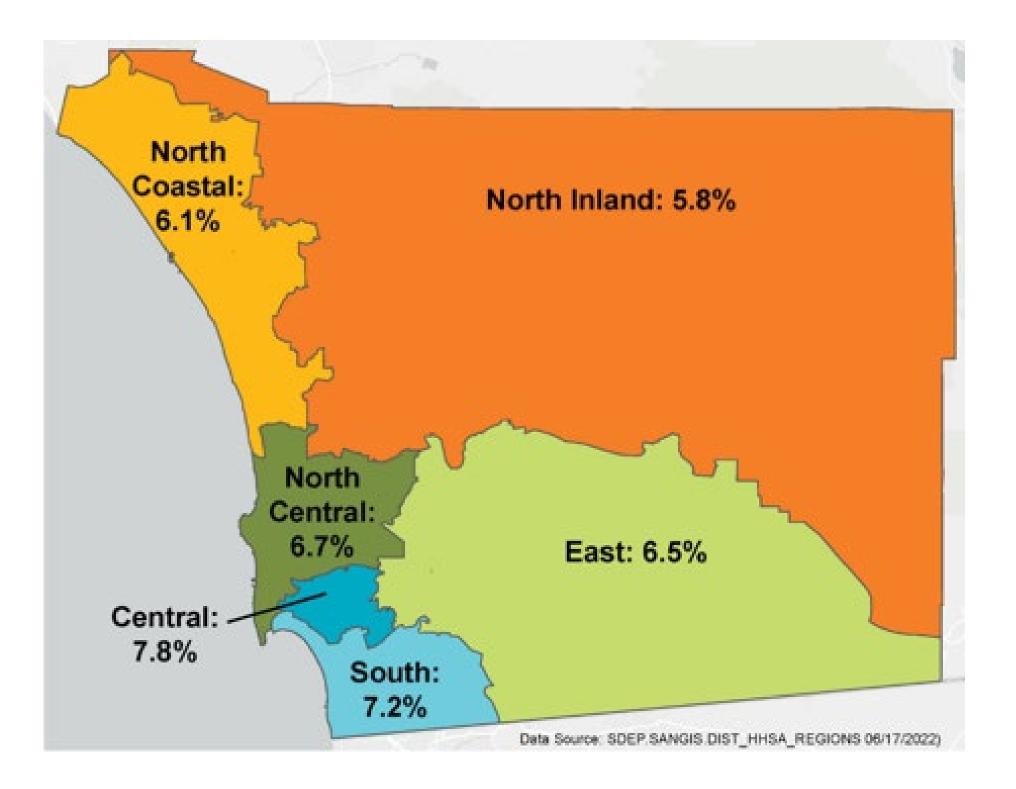
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Source: State of California, Department of Public Health, Center for Health Statistics and Informatics, California Comprehensive Birth Files.

Prepared by: County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Services, Maternal, Child and Family Health Services.

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Percentage of Births with LBW by Region of Mother in 2020, San Diego County



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Department Focus: To achieve better coordination of existing and new County homeless and equitable community efforts and serve as a central point of collaboration for outside partners to ensure equity among all San Diegans and reduce homelessness in the region.



Framework For Ending Homelessness

KEY DRIVERS

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Person-Centered Data		Collaboration Sustainability Equity
	ROOT CAUSE AND UPSTREAM PREVENTION	 Employment programs and income supports Access to basic social services Community empowerment activities
	DIVERSION AND MITIGATION	 Short-term rent and housing search assistance Mediation and legal assistance Creating alternatives to incarceration
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Framework Collaborative Work



□ Framework enterprise-wide workgroup

Monthly Framework Program Inventory

□ Annual Framework Program index

Quarterly Framework Reports



Homelessness Solutions and Prevention Action Plan



□Action Plan is the advancement of Framework efforts into measurable priorities and outcomes

Action Plan is developed around Framework's key drivers and strategic domains

Action Plan will be finalized in Fall 2023 and measurable priorities and outcomes will be presented via dashboard on HSEC webpage



Realizing the Action Plan – Case Use

Action Plan Measurable Outcomes:

- Develop/Provide a Housing First person-centered training curriculum for non-HSEC-OHS staff to help identify homelessness risks.
- Streamline referral processes from non-outreach County staff, using HSEC outreach application.

Case Use Summary:

- Park Rangers, Librarians and Community Health Workers have completed the new person-centered training to assist PEH, as well as training for utilizing the Homeless Outreach Application.
- Staff engage with PEH and enter information into Homeless Outreach App.
- Outreach App generates a referral to HSEC-OHS.
- HSEC-OHS connects with PEH and begins case management services.



Thank you!!

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Housing and Community Development Services

David Estrella, Director



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Housing and Community Development Services

- Affordable Housing Development
- Federal Entitlement Grants
 - Community Development Block Grant
 - Emergency Solutions Grant
 - HOME Investment Partnerships
 - Housing Opportunities for People with HIV/AIDS

Housing Authority of the County of San Diego

- Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Program
 - Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing
 - Project Based Vouchers
- Public Housing



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Key Affordable Housing Efforts





Recent Accomplishments



- 4,312 Affordable Housing Units
- 7 Excess County sites awarded
- 4 Excess County sites declared surplus (not awarded / in process)
 - Market Street, Oceanview, East Valley Parkway, University
- 51 Total Developments (excludes 4 Excess sites not awarded / in process)
- \$233.6 Million Invested All County Sources
- 385 Project Based Vouchers



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County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency

Behavioral Health Services Re-Imagining Service Delivery

Aurora Kiviat, Assistant Director of Departmental Operations, Behavioral Health Services

August 11, 2023

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES OVERVIEW



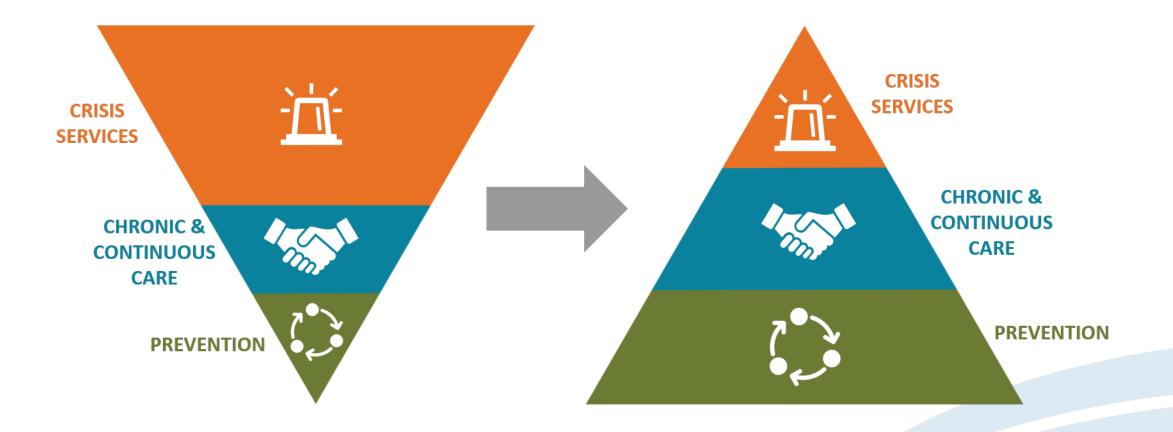


Impact & Scope of Services

- BHS serves an average of 105,000 individuals annually across the system of care
- Coordinated system of care with over 300 service providers
- County-operated programs, including adult outpatient and case management services, adult and children's forensics services, and San Diego County Psychiatric Hospital and Edgemoor DP Skilled Nursing Facility



From a Crisis Model to Preventative and Continuous Care Model



KEY SERVICE DOMAINS

CRISIS AND DIVERSIONARY SERVICES INPATIENT HUBS AND CARE COORDINATION

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RESIDENTIAL AND LONG-TERM CARE





REGIONALLY DISTRIBUTED SERVICES

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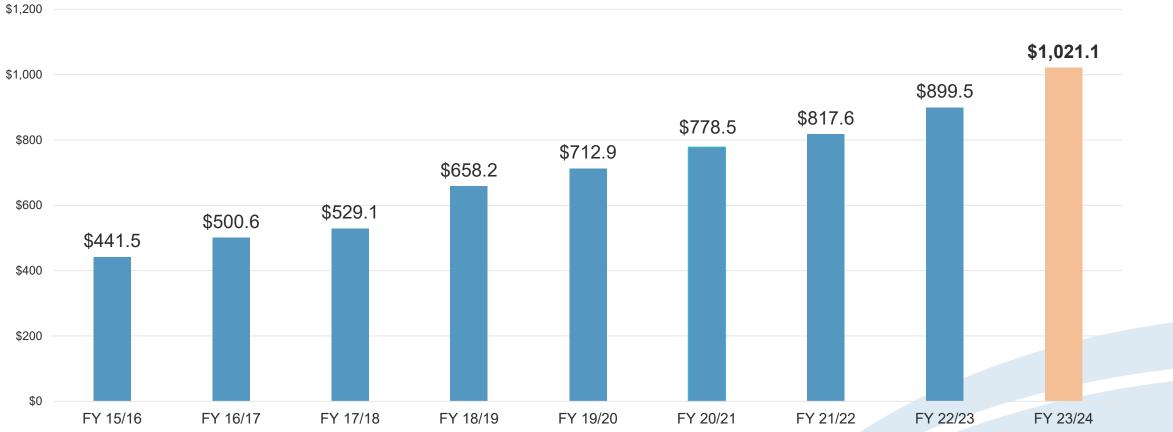




BHS BUDGET GROWTH



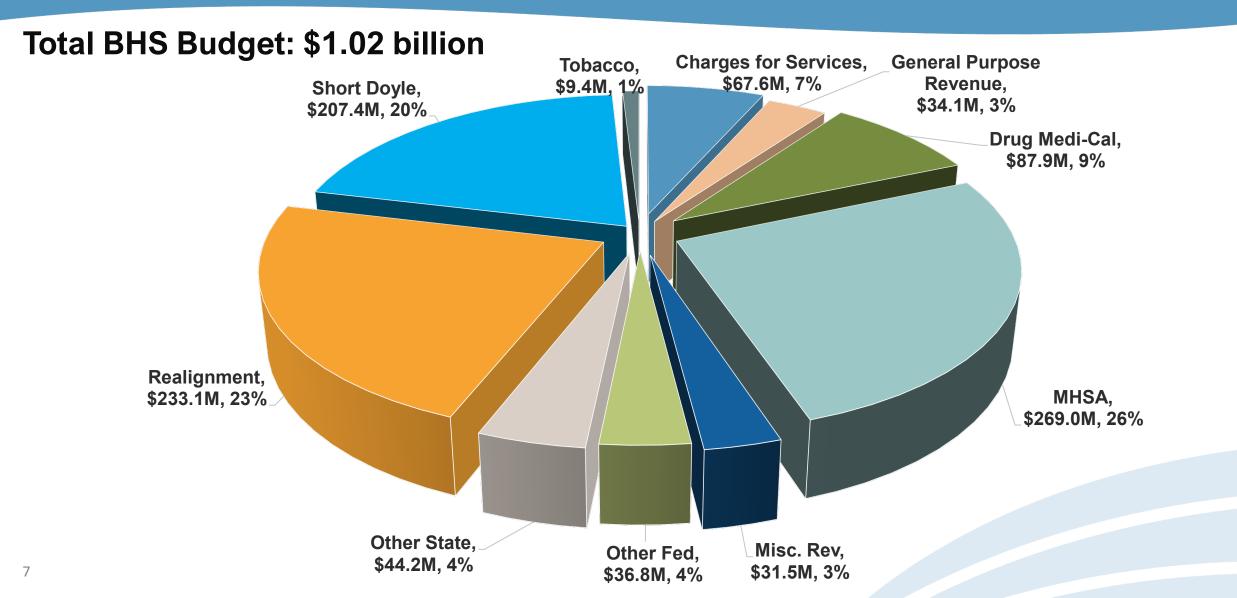
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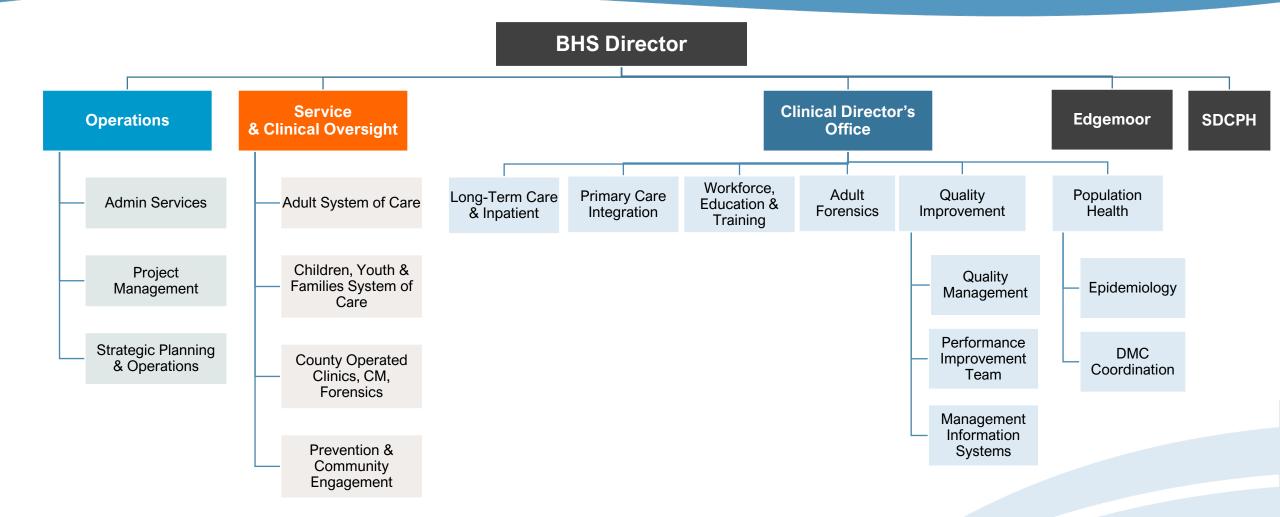
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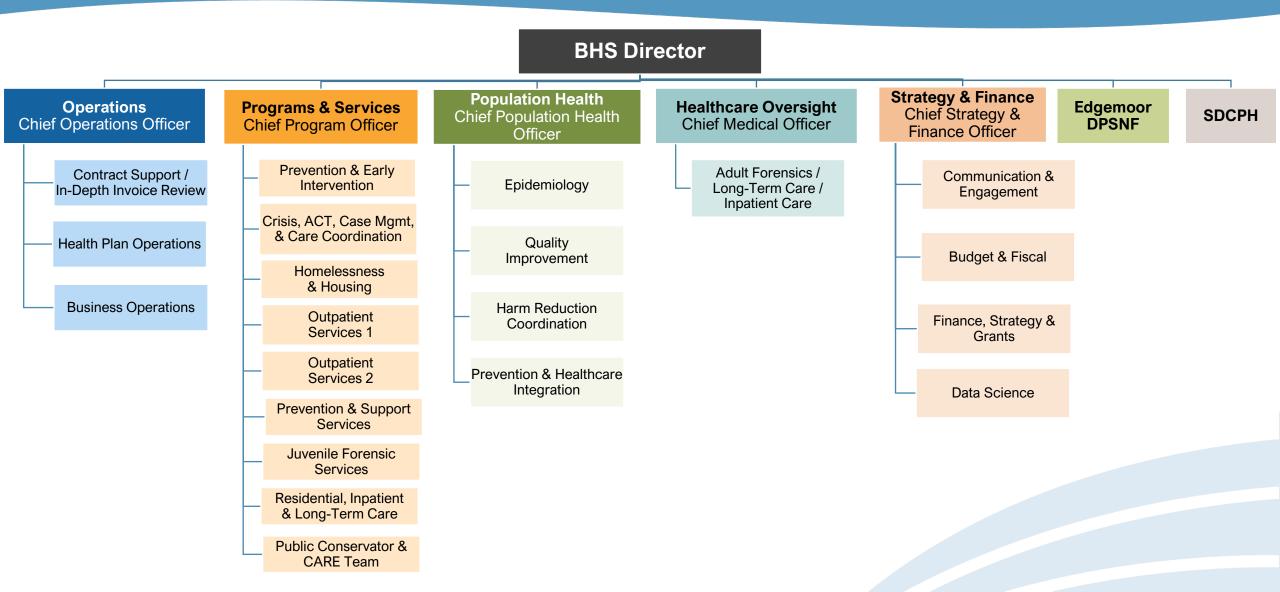
BHS REORGANIZATION – PREVIOUS ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE





BHS REORGANIZATION – NEW ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE





MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS



- Mobile Crisis Response Teams (MCRT) are a non-law enforcement, clinical response to behavioral health crises
- The response team includes one licensed clinician, one peer support specialist, and one case manager
- Teams provide assessments, de-escalation, and connect individuals to services





MCRT REFERRALS

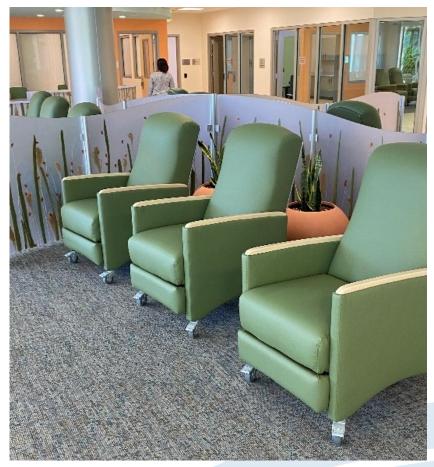
- The MCRT service is a response option for behavioral crises
- Dispatched through calls made to the Access & Crisis Line and via the 11 participating law enforcement jurisdiction's 911 and nonemergency lines



CRISIS STABILIZATION UNITS



- Crisis Stabilization Units (CSUs) provide 24/7 crisis stabilization services in a hospital- or community-based, recovery-oriented setting
- Services include crisis prevention, assessment, evaluation, medication support services, therapy, and peer support
- Population served: individuals with serious mental illness, experiencing a psychiatric emergency



Client recliners at the Oceanside CSU

ACCESS & CRISIS LINE AND 988



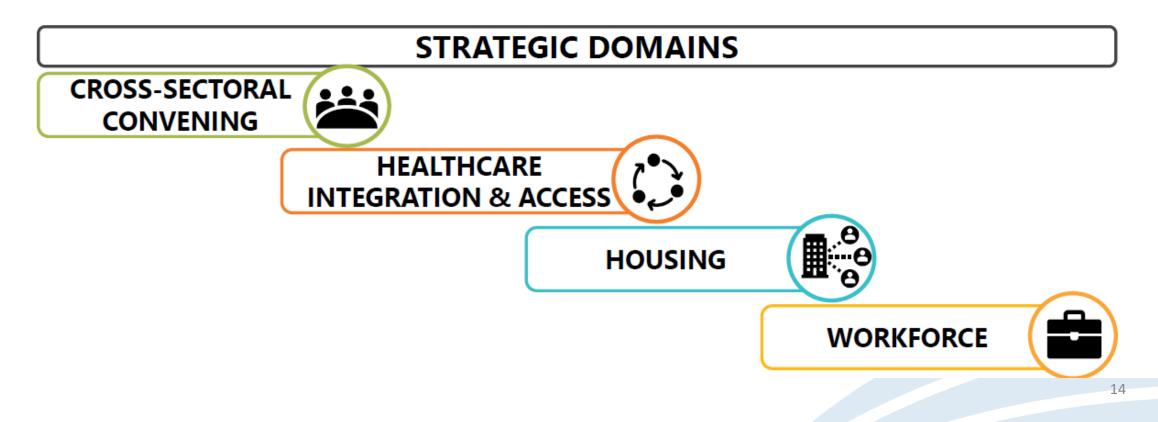
San Diego Access & Crisis Line (ACL) 1-888-724-7240



- Support and resources from trained clinicians on all behavioral health, mental health, and substance use topics
- Available 24/7 in over 200 different languages
- Resource for accessing general behavioral health services and addressing behavioral health crisis situations
- Calls to 988 are connected to the ACL as part of the national network of crisis call centers



- The County Harm Reduction Strategy is based on a multidisciplinary evidence base with systematic efforts concentrated in four strategic domains
- Focus areas are built on a roadmap of short-, mid- and long-term tactics



PUBLIC MESSAGING CAMPAIGNS



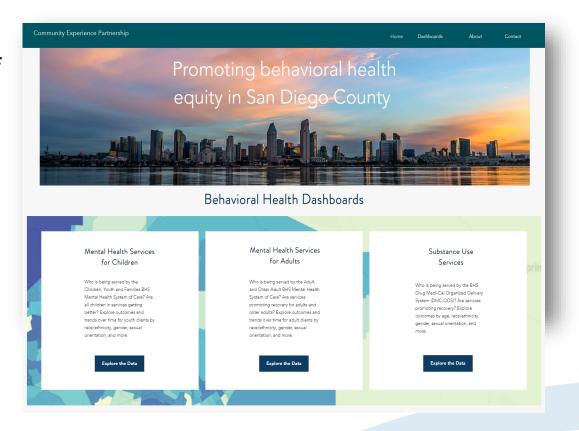


ON THE HORIZON



Community Experience Partnership

- Joint initiative between County of
 San Diego BHS and UC San Diego
- Achieving health equity through the integration of data and community engagement
- Optimal Care Pathways Model
 - Systemwide transformation by prioritizing the individual needs of clients and offering new pathways for clinically effective care in the least restrictive environment.
- CARE Court
 - Connects a person struggling with untreated mental illness – and often also substance use challenges – with a court-ordered Care Plan for up to 24 months.
- Justice-Involved Populations Collaboration





Thank You

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Child and Family Well-Being





Los Angeles County Innovation Exchange August 11, 2023

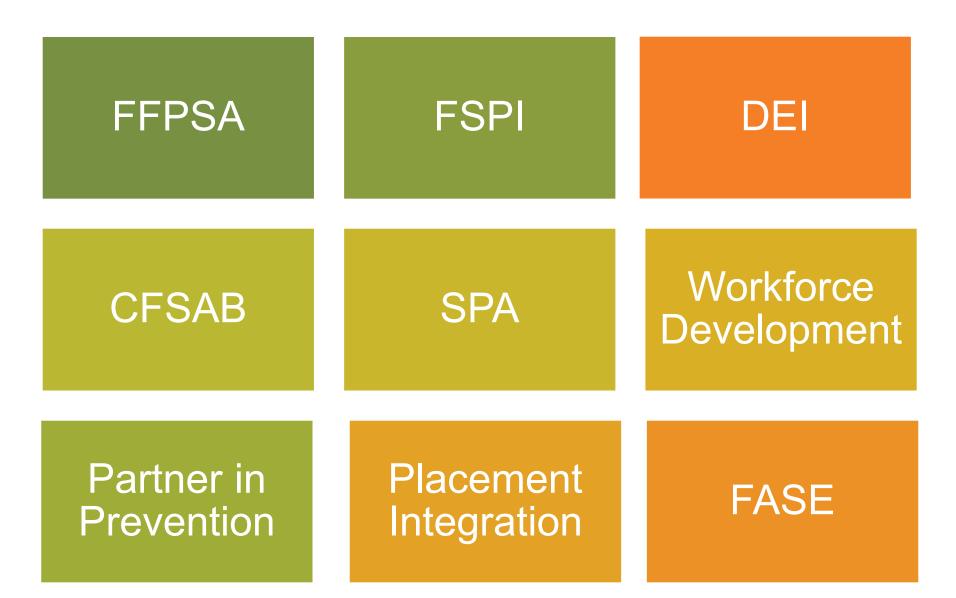




CFWB Journey – Practice Shift Timelines



CWS Family Strengthening Efforts



Outcome



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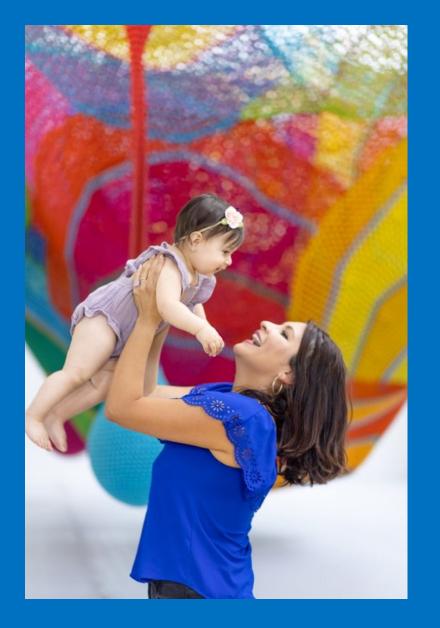
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First 5 San Diego



WHO IS FIRST 5?



- First 5 San Diego is the region's primary organization for promoting the health and wellbeing of children during the most critical years of development – from the prenatal stage through age 5.
- First 5 San Diego and other First 5 Commissions are funded through the Prop 10 Tobacco Tax Initiative





WHO DO WE SERVE?



- Countywide outreach to pregnant individuals, children birth to 5 years and their families
- Services are focused in the following areas: *Health, Learning, Family* & Community



Promote each child's healthy physical, social and emotional development.

Support each child's development of communication, problem-solving, physical, social-emotional and behavioral abilities, building on their natural readiness to learn.



Strengthen each family's ability to provide nurturing, safe and stable environments. Parents and primary caregivers are a child's first and best teachers.



Build each community's capacity to sustain healthy social relationships and support families and children.

FIRST 5 IMPACT 2021-2022





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INVESTED OVER



in direct services for young children and their families

SERVED MORE THAN

44,000

children, parents, caregivers and providers

PARTNERS LEVERAGED

\$4.6 million

in cash and in-kind support from public and private entities

FIRST 5 PROGRAMS



Healthy Development Services	Maternity Housing Program
KidSTART	Learn Well Initiative
First 5 First Steps	2-1-1 Information and Referral
Oral Health Initiative	Childhood Injury Prevention Program
Mi Escuelita	Kit For New Parents

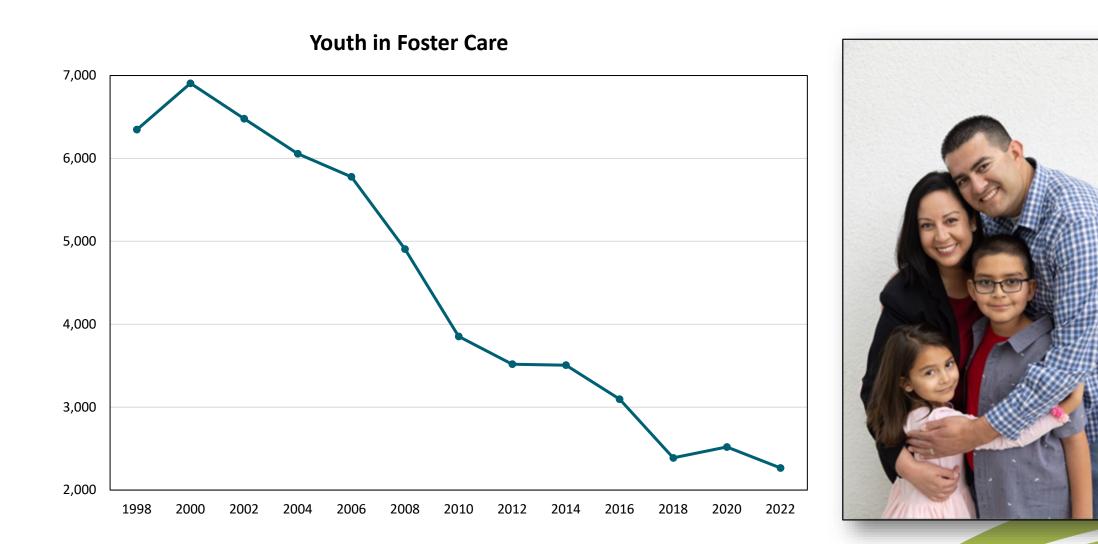




TRANSFORMATION

CHILD AND FAMILY WELL-BEING





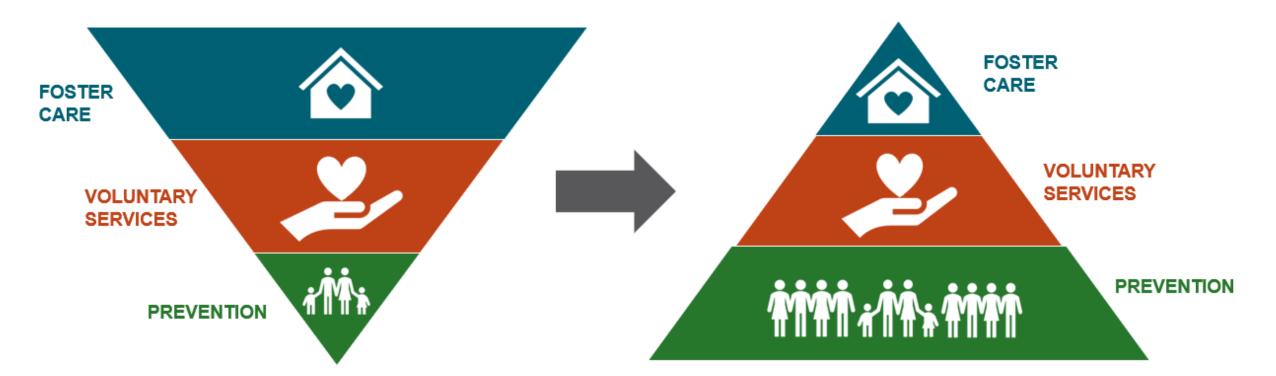
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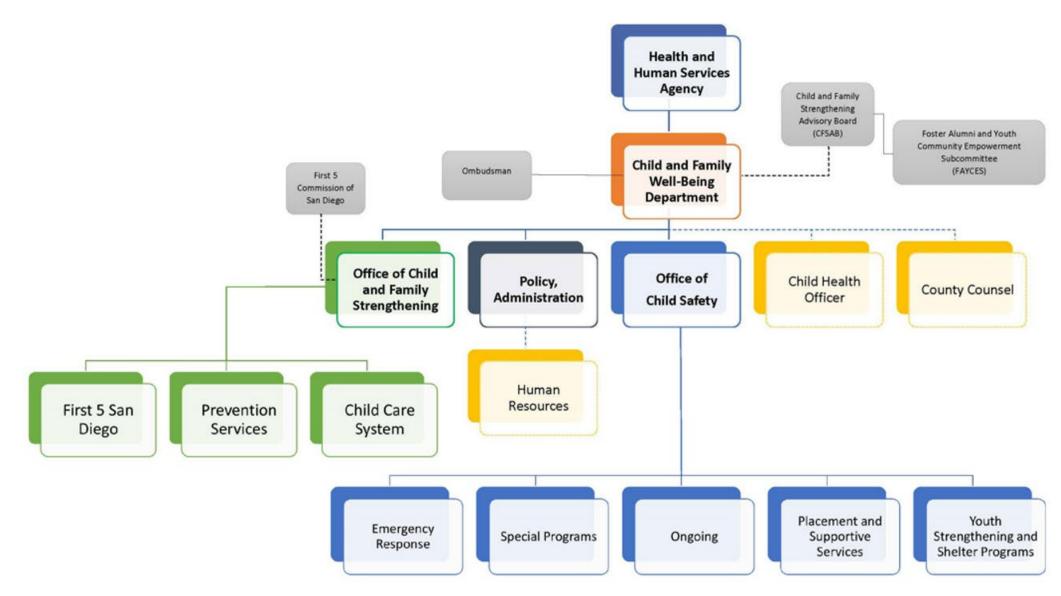
Community Engagement



- Information sessions held with:
 - Child and Family Well-Being Staff
 - Lived Experts
 - Community Organizations
 - Community Members



CHILD AND FAMILY WELL-BEING DEPARTMENT



Child and Family Well-Being Department Child Care System Strengthening Protection Positive **CHILD** FIRST 5 Parenting **WELFARE** Home **SERVICES** Visiting Prevention Pathway SANDIEGOCOUNTY.GOV

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



CHILD CARE SYSTEMS



The Child Care System within the CFWB department will focus on improving regional needs for the early care and education system by integrating existing and new efforts including-

- the Child Care and Development Planning Council Advisory Board
- ARPA funded initiatives Workforce Investment Program and the Shared Services Alliance
- Childcare Blueprint



Community Response Guide





BRINGING THE BEST OF DECISION SUPPORT TO THE REPORTING DECISION









Consistency

Accuracy

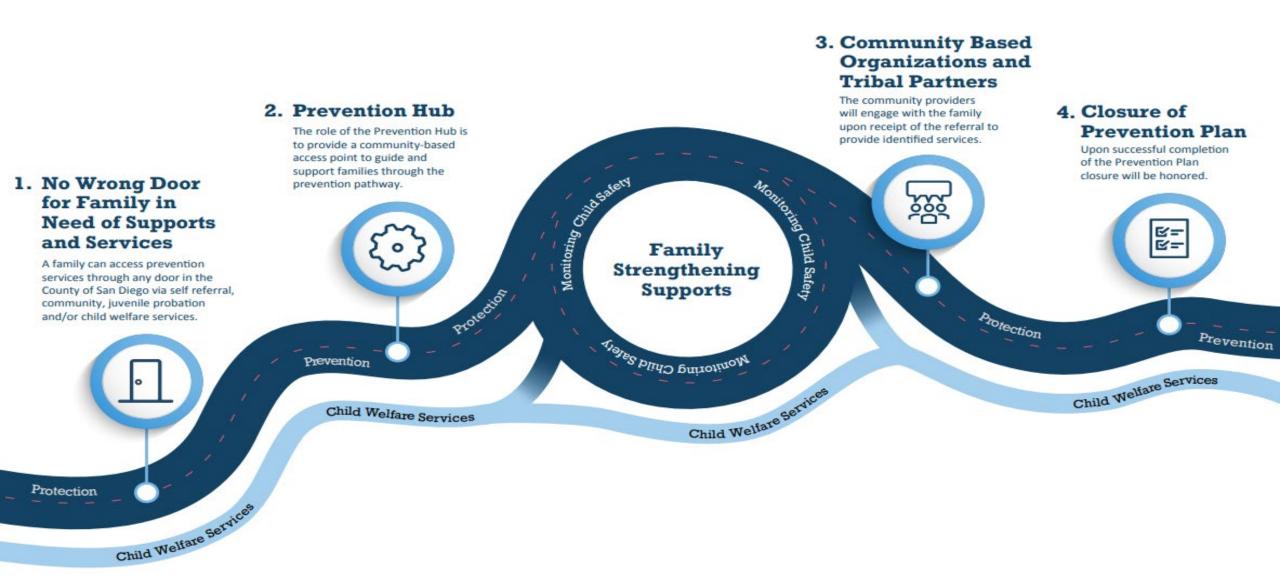
Equity

Utility



PREVENTION HUB PATHWAY





Next Steps





Continue engaging staff and all community stakeholders in the implementation and impact of the new department

Evaluate progress of Child and Family Well-Being Department to ensure family strengthening and thriving families



INTENDED OUTCOMES

Short-Term

- Increased collaboration and communication among agencies and community-based organizations to ensure families have equitable access to a continuum of prevention and strengthening services
- Reduced number of individuals on wait lists for services
- Improved protective capacity of parents
- Increased awareness of new processes to receive prevention services
- Increased number of families accessing preventative services

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Long-Term

- Decreased rates of disproportionality and disparities
- Improved health and well-being equity outcomes for children, youth and families
- Increased family strength, resilience and sustainability
- Reduced child maltreatment, entry into foster care, and unnecessary Child Abuse hotline calls
- Enhanced sustainability of funding and programming for prevention services





QUESTIONS?







Families Thrive in Connected Communities

THANK YOU







Dr. Eric McDonald Interim Director of the Health and Human Services Agency

Dr. Eric C. McDonald is the Interim Agency Director of the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). Following a distinguished 24-year career practicing emergency medicine in the U.S. Navy, Eric joined the county government in 2010 as a deputy public health officer. Driven by his passion for advancing health and well-being for all San Diegans, in 2015 he became the medical director of HHSA's Epidemiology and Immunization Services Branch. He was responsible for overseeing countywide efforts to prevent, monitor, and treat infectious disease. Eric also launched the Medical Care Services Department in 2021 as the Agency's Chief Medical Officer in order to ensure San Diego County is home to America's premier local wellness delivery system.

As Interim Agency Director, Eric oversees a \$3.1 billion organization with nearly 8,000 employees who deliver essential services to make people's lives healthier, safer, and self-sufficient.

Eric earned a Bachelor of Arts in economics and chemistry from Williams College and received his Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. He completed residency programs in Emergency Medicine at Naval Medical Center, San Diego and in Preventive Medicine and Public Health at the University of California, San Diego. Eric's 24 years of active duty in the United States Navy includes two tours in Iraq with Marine units from Camp Pendleton. After retiring from the military, Eric earned his Master of Public Health degree from San Diego State University. He has lived in the Mission Hills neighborhood in San Diego with his husband, Brian, since 1998.

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Alethea Arguilez Executive Director | First 5 Commission of San Diego

Alethea Arguilez, M.A. is the Executive Director of First 5 San Diego, the region's primary organization for promoting the health and well-being of children 0-5 years of age and their families. Alethea has dedicated the past 20 years to the field of early childhood education, starting her journey in the field as an infant and toddler Master Teacher. Her early experience was working to create and support pathways for families experiencing adversity in achieving self-sufficiency through direct services which helped form the foundation for her work.

She is presently serving in various Early Care and Education boards: County of San Diego, Child and Family Strengthening Advisory Board; San Diego State University, College of Education Dean's Advisory Board; Partners in Prevention Leadership Committee; Alliance Healthcare Foundation Board; Children's First Collective; San Diego Child Care Planning Council and the First 5 Association's Chair of the Public Policy Committee.

Alethea is a native San Diegan, wife, and mother of two daughters, Isabelle and Gabrielle and fur babies Enzo and Luca. She holds a Master's degree in Nonprofit Leadership Management from the University of San Diego School of Leadership and Education Sciences and a Bachelor's degree in Child and Family Development from San Diego State University.

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Alberto Banuelos, Ph.D. Assistant Director | Self-Sufficiency Services

Dr. Alberto Banuelos is the Assistant Director of Self-Sufficiency Services for the County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency. In his role, Alberto assists the Director oversee the daily operations of a variety of programs including CalFresh, Medi-Cal, CalWORKs, and is currently leading the department's migration efforts to California's single eligibility system CalSAWS. Alberto has 24 years of experience in the human services field. In addition to San Diego County, Alberto has worked for the County of Tulare and California State Association of Counties (CSAC). He has a Ph.D. in Public Policy and Administration.

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Natalia Bravo Chief of Staff | Chief Administrative Office

Natalia Bravo currently serves as the Chief of Staff to the Chief Administrative Officer for the County of San Diego. In her role, Natalia is responsible for developing policy and managing specialized and sensitive projects both across the county enterprise and in collaboration with outside agencies. Natalia co-chairs the Strategic Advisory, Evaluation and Guidance Group which serves to ensure alignment of strategic initiatives and other guidance documents for the County. She also serves as the Executive Advisor to the County D&I Executive Council where she works with a multi-departmental team to guide the County's diversity and inclusion strategy. She joined the County in 2012 and has held several different positions since.

Natalia is the product of a binational and bicultural upbringing and was a US Fulbright Fellow in Mexico City. After that fellowship, she served as the Chief of Staff and Director of Public Policy to Mexico's Undersecretary of Labor in the Labor Development Office at the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare. Natalia holds a B.A. Degree in Political Science from the University of North Texas and a M.A. Degree in Public Administration and Public Policy from the Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey.

Natalia is a proud mother, wife and daughter who, when she isn't working toward the public good, enjoys reading and traveling to rainy places.

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Brigit Cooper Acting Deputy Director | Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities

Brigit Cooper has 22 years with the County of San Diego working in a variety of programs, with over 10 years of experience in managing day-to-day operations. She is currently a Chief, Agency Operations in the Department of Homeless Solutions and Equitable Communities (HSEC), overseeing the Service & Operations Branch of the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS). Brigit has been with HSEC since its inception and was instrumental in standing up the new department, building the team, establishing internal/external relationships to coordinate homeless services county-wide, and supporting the County's Framework for Ending Homelessness. She has led her team in the operationalization of the Housing Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP), Regional Homeless Assistance Program (RHAP), Homeless Court referral process, as well as been involved in the planning teams for multiple OHS projects and programs. She co-chairs the South Region Homeless Alliance and participates in the Central and South Region's Homeless Workgroups.

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Patty Kay Danon Chief Operations Officer | Health and Human Services Agency

Patty Kay Danon has over 26 years of policy and executive experience at the County of San Diego. Ms. Danon served in multiple leadership roles within an elected official's office where she guided complex legislative agendas and acted as liaison with federal, State and local elected officials. Ms. Danon began her career in policy and political strategy in 1997, working with local political consulting and public affairs agencies. She went on to spend nearly a decade in key leadership positions in the office of San Diego County Supervisor Greg Cox including Deputy Chief of Staff. She first joined the Health and Human Services Agency in 2004 starting in Child Welfare Services as a Deputy in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2022. In July 2021, she was promoted to Chief Operations Officer.

Ms. Danon holds a Masters of Business Administration with a specialization in Health Services Administration from San Diego State University. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Kansas. She also enjoys spending time with her teenage son and daughter and cheering them on at baseball and lacrosse games along with traveling, paddleboarding, and hiking. In addition, their two dogs keep everyone busy!

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Assmaa Elayyat Chief of Agency Operations | Self-Sufficiency Services

Assmaa is a Chief with the Health & Human Services Agency's Self-Sufficiency Services Department who has worked in the Health & Human Services field for the past 16 years. In her role, Assmaa oversees program and policy for the County's public assistance programs and closely works with the County's executive leadership team to ensure that San Diego County's Live Well vision is carried over into the design and implementation of public assistance programs to help build safe, healthy, and thriving communities. Prior to joining San Diego County, Assmaa worked for the County Welfare Directors Association where she represented all 58 Health & Human Services County departments in her advocacy work before various stakeholders and state entities including the California Health & Human Services Agency, California State Legislature, and the Governor's Office. Assmaa also previously worked for Riverside County's Department of Public Social Services where she gained knowledge in several public assistance programs and operations. Assmaa has a B.S. degree in Business Administration from the University of California Riverside and holds a Master of Public Administration from California State University San Bernardino.

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David Estrella Director | Housing and Community Development Services

David Estrella joined the County of San Diego in 2002. He is currently the Director of Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS) in the Health and Human Services Agency. He oversees funding for the development of permanent affordable housing, community improvement projects and the Housing Choice Voucher program, which provides rental subsidies for approximately 11,000 families. Under his direction, HCDS has invested \$205M and made eight (8) County excess sites available for development, which will result in the creation of 3,990 affordable housing units in 45 developments across the region. These investments leveraged nearly \$1.8B in federal, state, local and private sources.

David was the first Director of the Office of Integrative Services in the County's Health and Human Services Agency. Integrative Services was created to functionally thread housing solutions throughout the various Health and Human Services Agency service departments. Prior to joining the County of San Diego, David worked for LISC AmeriCorps, the Fair Housing Council of San Diego and the Legal Aid Society of San Diego.

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Aurora Kiviat serves on HHSA's Behavioral Health Services team as Assistant Director, Departmental Operations and Chief Operations Officer. She previously served as Deputy Director, Departmental Operations of HHSA's Medical Care Services Division, where she led efforts to support timely, quality, and evidence-based medical care services in San Diego County's communities.

Aurora got her start at the County of San Diego in 2010 as a Legislative Policy Advisor in the Office of Strategy and Intergovernmental Affairs. She then joined HHSA's Agency Executive Office team, first as a CAO Staff Officer and later as Manager of Strategy and Policy. Prior to her County service, Aurora worked for the Massachusetts General Hospital, where she led an international telehealth program and was part of a clinical research team developing treatments for HIV/AIDS. She has also worked as a consultant for Operation Access, a non-profit agency in San Francisco that provides specialty care to the uninsured and underserved.

Aurora holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Cornell University, where she double majored in Biological Sciences and Development Sociology, and a Master of Public Policy from the Goldman School of Public Policy at UC Berkeley.





Laura Krzywicki Deputy Director | Child and Family Well-Being

Ms. Laura Krzywicki began her career in Child Welfare Services (CWS) in 2000. Ms. Krzywicki is currently the Deputy Director in Policy and Program Support overseeing the Continuous Quality Improvement, Initial and Advanced Training, System Improvement Plan and policy development and special projects/initiatives. Her areas of expertise include safety and risk assessment, leadership development, Continuous Quality Improvement, classroom training and coaching. She has supported the implementation of Safety Organized Practice, the Integrated Core Practice Model, and the California Well Being Project. She has a passion for improving practice in Child Welfare work and values community partnerships so that we are truly strengthening families.

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Carey Riccitelli Director | Office of Strategy and Innovation

Carey Riccitelli serves as the Director of Strategy and Innovation for the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency. In this role, she leads Agency-wide programs and efforts including strategy and legislative analysis, data and analytics, communications, and *Live Well San Diego*, a population health vision for a healthy, safe and thriving region. Ms. Riccitelli has worked for the County for over 25 years, with expertise in strength-based management/team building, cross-sector collaboration/ collective impact, and achieving challenging and complex goal-driven outcomes. She is a graduate of San Diego State University, holding a master's degree in Public Health, with an emphasis in community health.

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Andrew Strong Director | Office of Equity and Racial Justice

Andrew is the County's Director of the Office of Equity and Racial Justice. His office works to identify and eradicate systemic bias and racism while co-creating, with the community, a culture of equity and belonging within the County of San Diego.

Prior to this role, he was the Chief of Staff to the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of San Diego. He's held several leadership positions in County government including in Human Resources, the Finance & General Government Group Executive Office as a CAO Staff Officer; and Chief of Departmental Operations for the Department of Planning & Development Services.

Mr. Strong also served in the United States Navy as a Hospital Corpsman before joining the County of San Diego in 2007. Mr. Strong earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Workforce Education and Development from Southern Illinois University and Master of Arts degree in Human Resource Management from National University.

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Craig Sturak Operations Chief | Office of Strategy and Innovation

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Wilma J. Wooten, M.D., M.P.H. is the Public Health Officer of Public Health Services in the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency. She received both professional degrees from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, followed by the completion of residency training at the Georgetown/Providence Hospital Family Practice Residency Program in Washington, DC. In 1989, she completed the joint San Diego State University (SDSU), Graduate School of Public Health (GSPH)/University of California San Diego (UCSD) Preventive Medicine Residency, with an emphasis in Sports Medicine. Dr. Wooten practiced medicine as a faculty member in the UCSD Department of Family and Preventive Medicine from 1990 to 2001. She remains a UCSD volunteer Associate Clinical Professor and is an Adjunct Professor at SDSU/GSPH. She has been with the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency since 2001, initially as the Deputy Health Officer and now serves as the Public Health Officer since February 2007. She has a strong interest in health disparities and health equity. Dr. Wooten is a past Board member and past president (2011-13), of the California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO); current Board member and past President (2013-15), of the Health Officers Association of California (HOAC); past member of the Advisory Committee to the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (2015-2019); and past Board member (2009-2011), of the National Association of County and City Health Officials. Dr. Wooten is a current member of the Big Cities Health Coalition (2014 – present) and previously served as Chair (2021) and is a current Board member of the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) of Directors (2011-present), and Chair (2022).

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