



Lakewood Advisory Committee Meeting (9.14.21)

This meeting took place virtually via Zoom.

I. Introductions

- a. The Center for Community Solutions Team
- b. Dave Baas-City of Lakewood
- c. Advisory Committee Members

II. Revisiting the Proposal

- a. Timeline
 - i. 3 phases—15 or 16 months overall
 - 1. Launch Phase (5 mos.)
 - a. Develop research to look at other communities to find best practices in comparable cities
 - 2. Assessment Phase (5 mos.)
 - a. Bulk of local level research will happen here
 - b. Informed by community process
 - 3. Action Plan (5 mos.)
 - b. Meeting Times & Dates
 - i. Wednesdays 1-2 are best for majority of group
 - ii. Action: Taneisha will send an email invite for everyone to put on their calendars
 - c. Project Considerations
 - i. Considering COVID-19 issues w/digital access
 - 1. Committee will help to decide best ways to engage the community in evolution of pandemic
 - ii. CCS New Communications Director
 - 1. CCS will be hiring a new Comm. Director soon, but Eboney Thornton will be helping in the meantime
 - iii. Assets of Committee
 - 1. Take advantage of any listservs or connections, meeting spaces, etc. overall group has to help in distributing survey

III. Survey Review

- a. Will be for advisory committee to complete
 - i. 5-10 slots still open on committee and will distribute to find out who else needs to be added/is missing so far
- b. Preview of demographic questions developed for survey
 - i. Add schools
 - 1. Keep in mind that rec centers are apart of the school system
 - ii. Add stay-at-home parents
 - iii. Add refugees
 - iv. Add county public health
 - v. Current advisory committee members can send suggestions on who needs to be include
 - 1. Will be included on analysis for next meeting

IV. Project Goals & Governance

a. What do you hope to achieve?

- i. Want to make sure we are meeting the needs of the entire community—comprehensive
- ii. No shortage of community needs assessments—see this become a tool to define the needs & help to engage community; using this to help decide next steps
- iii. Decrease disparities in everyday living and mental health services
- iv. Highlight unseen challenges happening in Lakewood at all different levels and ensure every resident is being helped
- v. Work to ensure Lakewood is accessible/affordable for residents to be able to remain here
- vi. Equitable access to wellness resources
- vii. Make the research done actionable in a mutually supportive way, and letting the project go beyond just the research
 - 1. Think through what governmental partnerships must happen to support housing

b. What would a successful partnership look like?

- i. Consider Lakewood's relationship w/the city of Cleveland & the county because there is not public health dpt. here
- ii. Beneficial to identify some indicators specific to Lakewood communities, & may be also important for eventual programmatic and evaluation purpose
- iii. Define what the benefit is of working towards the improvement of social determinants and how that translate to traditional health metrics
- iv. Find ways to partner and all work together with some tangible outcomes that we can measure that will show we have made progress
- v. For my organization: a stronger partnership with Lakewood, mutual exchange of knowledge and innovative ideas.

c. What do you see as your role?

- i. Beneficial for individual members to look at Robert Wood Johnson city files—to help with research
 - 1. <https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/features/culture-of-health-prize.html>
- ii. Be specific with insights/recommendations that you have observed

d. How do we get there?

- i. How often should we meet?
 - 1. Meet once a month
- ii. Best way to communicate progress?
 - 1. Communicate between emails w/materials in advance so individuals can review and provide feedback, and we will follow-up as needed
 - 2. Find ways for members who may not be as comfortable in talking in meetings to share ideas
 - a. Can try break out groups
 - b. Have members share things with CCS that need to be shared but don't want attributed to them
- iii. How can Advisory Committee discuss issues/guide work?
 - 1. Discussion based
 - 2. Share feedback outside of meetings as well

V. Next Steps

- a. Finalize survey
- b. Index assets to find what committee has available to help with work (space, etc.)
- c. Get regular meeting time on calendars
- d. CCS will develop next round of agenda items
 - i. Recruitment, results of survey
 - ii. Look over reports that have been mentioned in this meeting and share out threads we have seen in the research with the advisory committee=
- e. How are we defining health?
 - i. Everyone can familiarize with Kaiser Family Foundation's information on social determinants of health
 - 1. <https://www.kff.org/racial-equity-and-health-policy/issue-brief/beyond-health-care-the-role-of-social-determinants-in-promoting-health-and-health-equity/>
 - ii. Can use next meeting to go over a general description of how we will define health as a group
 - 1. Important to do research to see how others are defining it and use it to guide what fits with Lakewood & pair that with the voice of the community