

**Jefferson County Health Alliance
Collaborative Funding Action Team**

October 13, 2020, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Zoom

**MEETING
AGENDA**

Meeting Objectives:

- Review reasons and purpose of this action team
- Discuss the experience of LAUNCH Together and initial lessons from Bright Futures
- Identify next steps

Why We are Here:

- Collaborative funding is a core element of collaboration
- Changing the paradigm from doing work separately to intentionally collaborating
- Interest in learning more about different types of collaborations and how funding can be supportive
- In funding applications, collaboration needs to be defined both with roles and budget

Attendees: Noah Atencio, Community First Foundation; Katie Greisch, Jefferson Center for Mental Health LAUNCH Together; Fran Taffer, Jefferson County Public Schools; Amy Sciangula, Jefferson County Human Services; Mary Margaret Fouse-Bishop, Jefferson County Public Health; Hilda Gerhke, Adelante Coalition and Entrepreneur. Facilitator: Rachel B. Cohen, Aging-Dynamics

Time	Activity	Leadership
3:00 - 3:15	<p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introductions: Name ● Warm Up: One thing that is making you happy this week. 	Rachel
3:15 - 3:25	<p>Framing the work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What led to the creation of this action team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need responsive funding ○ Encourage funding and programming to connect rather than create silos ○ Create opportunities for co-writing grants...encouraging REAL collaboration not competition ○ Need for sustainability after grant...change how funding is provided...coupled with technical support ○ How has COVID changed how we fund? ● {Previous Meeting notes} What could we accomplish together? Be a Resource; model out collaborative structures for the network--framework --if collaborate around this work here is what it might look like Develop a process/platform for people interested in 	Rachel

	<p>funding--matchmaking--now it is up to the funder to determine how come together</p> <p>Make the case for why collaboration to funders</p> <p>Build capacity on both ends</p> <p>Identify infrastructure needed---setting up fund at community foundation becomes mechanism for multiple funders to collaborate--forces openness for driver of how \$\$ is spent among collaborative</p> <p>Provide recommendations for capacity, structure, and opportunity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How does this fit with the other action teams? Build the capacity of the Alliance to demonstrate capacity to funders that a collaborative approach will work 	
<p>3:25 - 3:50</p>	<p>Learning from other Collaboratives: LAUNCH Together and Bright Futures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Developed from existing framework with 5 tenants ● Grant funding driven by one organization required the various partners to be intentional about how they are working together ● Need to pay close attention to staff turnover; organizational priorities; organizational representation ● Partner organizations include a diverse array of organizations/agencies involved with youth from schools to health to mental health etc. ● Lessons Learned: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dedicated FTE across different organizations assists with collaboration ○ Benefited from having committed evaluation professionals ○ Positioning staff at organizations who are already doing similar things and in complimentary geographic areas ○ Some challenges with where staff were positioned if they were 100% dedicated to the collaboration--having to balance priorities of the organization with the collaborative ○ Each partner organization has different funding streams, billing models so philanthropic funding as been critical to allowing each of those organizations in trying new approaches ○ Philanthropic dollars are allowing partner organizations to create flexibility in staffing/program development and have the time to figure out how to continue funding those staff/programs ○ Partners at the table from the start with consensus on big picture vision was both a strength & challenge 	<p>Katie Greisch and The Group</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leadership turnover created challenges with inconsistent commitment; loss of the decision makers and loss of visionaries understand the larger vision and mobilize vertically. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Also needed a mix of operators and visionaries. ○ Need detailed budget planning for each organization. ○ System was already established which creates challenges with shifting or changing things in a meaningful way. ○ Was it a challenge having the money driving the change? ○ Greatest Success: Being able to create things that did not already exist ○ Greatest Success: Creating more open communication between partners and the existing framework. ○ How does my organization need to transform how we operate to more effectively partner and move towards the shared vision of the collaborative vs just adding funding to an organization. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ This needs to be initiated through a combination of the funding and the initial discussions. Process mandated and supported from outside could be a way to get there. ○ Early Milestones Collaborative provided technical assistance around the different strategy areas; support for how to support, build and strengthen partnerships; translate between Funding Advisory Council and the different communities; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Advice, mentorship, facilitation were critical resources ■ More hands on assistance with partnership evolution would have helped--ongoing basis to support transitions, leadership development, restructuring etc. 	
<p>3:50 - 4:00</p>	<p>Moving Forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Health Alliance Meeting (Action Teams + Community) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Timing: December/January ○ Purpose: Learning about how to work alongside community and how to work in coalition ○ Action Teams work in breakout sessions to develop action plans for community engagement <p>Next Steps:</p> <p>Schedule meeting for 3-4 weeks from now. Hilda will work with Rachel on the discussion for the next meeting</p>	<p>The Group</p>

	<p>which will focus on: How can we bridge community efforts led by organizations with community members...Adelante and other examples--opportunities; potential barriers; communities accessing funding. This will include discussion both pre and during COVID.</p> <p>Group will read: <i>Collective Impact 3.0 Tamarack--Health Alliance</i> using this as a key framing document. Rachel will upload to the Google folder.</p>	
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