



Community Action Network

A-Team Chair Report
RC 4-11-08

A-Team Charge for 2008 Related to Guiding Process

- *Motion 1 made by Resource Council on 10/19/07: A motion for the Administrative Team to lead a process involving Issue Area Groups (IAGs) and other stakeholder organizations to review existing data in the context of the ED's proposed framework, recommend next steps and report back to the Resource Council by February 2008.*
- Progress:
 - A-Team developed template & process for making recommendations for action
 - At March 2008 IAG Leadership & Planning Group meeting, issue area groups & stakeholder organizations discussed template & process

A-Team Feedback Related to Recommendations for Action

- Need to clarify what kind of recommendations are appropriate:
 - systemic
 - limited to service-oriented issues
 - policies
 - allocation of resources
- Need for requests for action to be made within a greater strategic context

Recommended Next Steps: A-Team

- A-Team will work on clarifying what kind of recommendations are appropriate:
 - Prioritized according to current community conditions
 - Address systemic issues
 - Provide for services directed toward solutions
 - Respect partner missions and priorities

Recommended Next Steps: CAN Staff

- CAN staff will assist IAGs to update or develop strategic plans that provide a context for recommended actions
- Strategic plans may include:
 - Focus areas
 - Goals
 - Target Outcomes
 - Key Strategies
 - Potential Indicators

Recommended Next Steps: CAN Staff

- CAN staff will provide technical assistance to IAGs and key issue area stakeholders to update (review previous reports) or develop recommendations for action
- Recommendations for Action:
 - What is the ideal state?
 - What is the problem & key causes?
 - How would we know that the problem is solved?
 - What specific short-term & long-term actions are recommended from CAN and specific Partners?
 - What are the cost benefits & the cost of doing nothing?
 - What are the barriers to action?

Recommended Next Steps: A-Team

- A-Team will invite IAGs and key issue area stakeholders to present on:
 - Progress on previous strategic plans and recommended actions
 - Example, 2001 Urgent Issues Action Plan Report
 - Issue-specific reports – “Through the Roof” Housing Report
 - Strategic plans currently being developed
 - Updated Recommendations for Actions