



Community Action Network

Promoting equity and opportunity

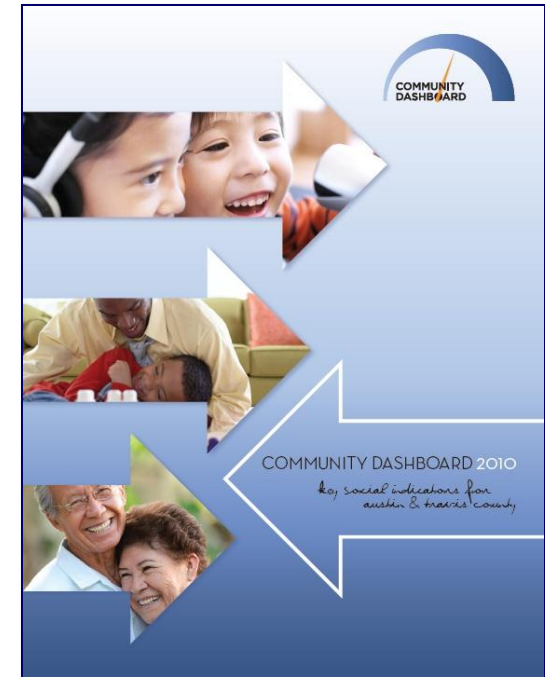




2010 Work Plan Accomplishments

Community Dashboard

- ▶ Launched a [Community Dashboard](#) of key social indicators of our community's well-being.
- ▶ Community Council hosted [10 televised forums](#) on each indicator, inviting Issue Area Groups and other key stakeholders to share where we stand on the indicator and what must be done to move the indicator in the right direction.
- ▶ Presented [key findings](#) from this process at 2010 CAN Retreat & Legislative Forum.



Stable Families, Healthy Community

- ▶ Convened [Streamlined Common Eligibility Work Group](#) to develop a plan for connecting families and individuals to a range of community resources while ensuring that those who qualify are enrolled for public assistance.
- ▶ Conducted inventories of 1) [eligibility criteria and customer information used](#) and 2) [information technology systems](#) commonly used by service providers.
- ▶ Submitted [federal grant](#) for a pilot.
- ▶ [CAN Board adopted plan](#) for developing virtual access to information for eligibility determination and implementation continues.



United Way Capital Area



Stable Families, Healthy Community

- ▶ [Community Resources 101](#) sessions were developed in partnership with United Way Capital Area to encourage people who need services to call 2-1-1.
- ▶ [Trainings](#) help front line workers and volunteers in service agencies, churches and other organizations understand how 2-1-1 works and how it can be used to connect people to the services they need.
- ▶ [Calendar](#) of sessions was scheduled and launched and continues in 2011.



Advocacy and Policy

- ▶ Convened dialogue of legislators & CAN Board
- ▶ Convened Intergovernmental Public Policy Committee made up of partner staff
- ▶ IPPC updated CAN Board on stimulus funding and legislative priorities of partners
- ▶ CAN Board Chair presented statement to legislators on shared legislative themes and priorities in anticipation of significant State budget cuts
- ▶ Partner legislative agendas shared with legislators and posted on caction.org and shared through CANews



On-going CAN activities

- ▶ [CANews](#), an email newsletter of events, research and other health and human service news, published twice a month
- ▶ twitter.com/CAN_Austin was launched to share more frequent updates, news, research and reports
- ▶ www.caction.org is updated regularly with
 - ▶ CAN partners' planning efforts
 - ▶ Latest research and reports
 - ▶ Agendas, minutes and presentations shared at Board and Community Council meetings
 - ▶ Community Events Calendar

2011 Work Plan

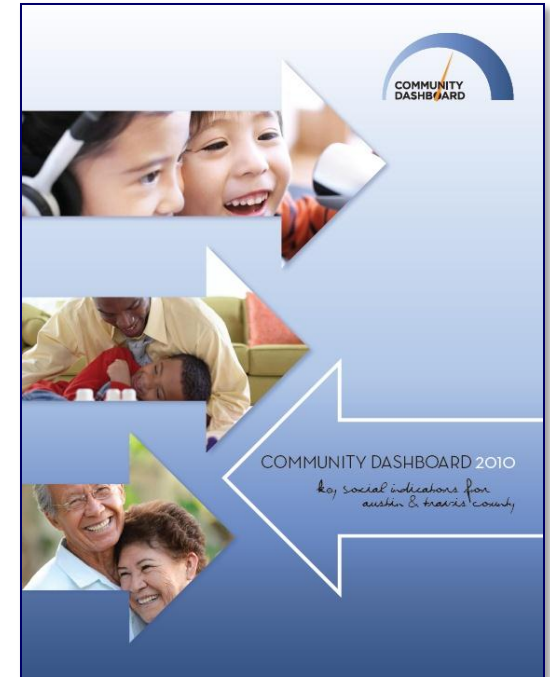
Annual Work Plan

The annual work plan focuses the collaboration's attention on specific efforts that require cross-jurisdictional attention and action.



Community Dashboard

- ▶ Release 2011 Dashboard Report
 - ▶ Press Conference April 8
- ▶ Begin to identify goals/targets for each indicator
 - ▶ Convene Dashboard Steering Committee
 - ▶ 12/9 CAN Board presented information
- ▶ Develop a strategy for increasing community awareness
 - ▶ Convene Public Awareness Task Force
 - ▶ 7/8/11: Present Board with proposed strategy



Use Dashboard to Inform Collaborative Action

- ▶ Define and adopt a repeatable community planning process to move Dashboard indicators in the right direction
 - ▶ 2/11 and 3/11 – CAN Board guides development with CAN Executive Committee guidance
 - ▶ 3/11 and 5/11 – Issue Area Groups provide input
 - ▶ 5/11 – CAN Board considers proposed process for approval
- ▶ Pilot process building on work of Workforce Solutions and ongoing housing planning efforts across continuum with focus on:
 - ▶ Enhancing work opportunities for people who are low-income,
 - ▶ Addressing the needs of those who are housing-cost burdened
 - ▶ Q3 & Q4 of 2011 – Update the Board on progress.

Examine Inequities and Demographic Trends

- ▶ Create a plan for data sharing and analysis to inform community of demographic trends, inequities, etc.
 - ▶ Quarterly – Convene Mappers & Planners Work Group from 5-county area
 - ▶ Quarterly – Present updates and/or key findings to Board (and Community Council as requested)
- ▶ Convene monthly televised Community Council forums to better understand inequities and follow-up on key findings from 2010 forums:
 - ▶ Monthly forums
 - ▶ Quarterly reports to CAN Board

Inform Network Local Impact of State Budget Cuts and Response

- ▶ Share information on impacts of State budget cuts and discuss collaborative strategies to address them.
- ▶ Monthly - Convene Intergovernmental Public Policy Committee to share information.
- ▶ Monthly – Partners present on impacts and need for advocacy/mitigation at CAN Board meetings.
- ▶ CAN Board takes action as appropriate.

Connect Families & Individuals to Resources

- ▶ Produce *Stable Families, Healthy Community* Report Card on maximizing public assistance.
 - ▶ Convene Streamlined Common Eligibility Work to develop report card
 - ▶ Obtain input from Community Council and Issue Area Groups
 - ▶ 9/20/11 – Present Board with Draft Report Card.
 - ▶ 12/9/11 - Present Board with Final Report Card.
- ▶ Continue implementation of *Stable Families, Healthy Community Plan* by building on efforts of Central Health, United Way and other Integrated Care Collaboration partners
 - ▶ Q4 – Through SCE Work Group, provide update on progress made to streamline screening, eligibility determination and document / data sharing
 - ▶ Determine how to expand efforts to other areas of safety net.



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