# CAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL ORIENTATION

# mission

Community Advancement Network is a partnership of governmental, non-profit, private and faith-based organizations which leverage mutual resources to collectively improve social, health, educational and economic opportunities in our community.



#### CAN's role is to...



 to enhance awareness of community issues,

to strengthen partnerships, and

to support collaborative strategies to improve the well-being of all people in our community.



### CAN partners

- Austin Chamber of Commerce
- Austin Community College
- Austin ISD
- Austin Travis County Integral Care
- Capital Metro
- Central Health
- City of Austin
- City of Pflugerville
- Community Justice Council
- Del Valle ISD
- Goodwill Industries of Central Texas
- Greater Austin Asian Chamber

- Greater Austin Black Chamber
- Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber
- Huston Tillotson University
- interfaith Action Central Texas
- Manor ISD
- One Voice Central Texas
- Seton Healthcare Family
- St. David's Foundation
- St. Edward's University
- Travis County
- United Way for Greater Austin
- University of Texas at Austin
- Workforce Solutions Capital Area



#### **CAN Governance**

- CAN Board of Directors includes 2 members of the CAN Community Council, 2 City Council Members, 2 Travis County Commissioners, 1 board member or senior executive from all other CAN partner organizations
- CAN Executive Committee includes 3 chairs of Community Council, 3 chairs of Board of Directors
   + 4 others appointed by Board Chair
- CAN Community Council
- CAN Implementation Teams and Work Groups



#### 2015 CAN Board Chairs

Jeremy Martin, Austin Chamber, Vice Chair

John-Michael Cortez, Capital Metro, Past Chair

Erica Saenz, UT
Division of
Diversity and
Community
Engagement



### 2015 Community Council Chairs

Eileen Schrandt, Vice-Chair

Anne Harutunian, Chair

Kirsha Haverlah, Past Chair



#### CAN = Policy + Community + Service

Policy makers **CAN Board of Directors** - elected officials, policy makers and executive managers representing each CAN partner organization

Community members

**CAN Community Council -** self-appointed board of community members with an annual application and election process

Service provider **CAN Work Groups -** professionals, issue area experts, and community members who help CAN accomplish its work



#### A continuous process

Common Vision
Our shared
aspirations for all
people.

CAN Work Plan
Connect stakeholders
and continue the
dialogue to promote
collaborative action.

equity & opportunity

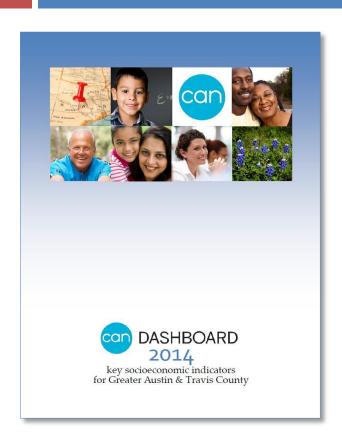
Dashboard
Annual snapshot of
how our community
is doing.

Convene
Conversations
Identify and share what
more is needed to turn
the curve.

Strategic Framework for Action
Strategies to achieve our common vision.



#### **CAN Dashboard**



- Demographic overview
- Update of data
- Notes key collaborations making a difference
- Highlights key disparities
- Launches a community conversation



## www.CANcommunitydashboard.org



- crime
- proportionality of jail bookings
- voting



Our basic needs

- low-income
- housing cost burdened
- vehicle miles traveled
- food insecurity
- homelessness



We are healthy

- health insurance
- mental health
- smoking
- obesity
- air quality



We achieve our full potential

- kindergarten ready
- high school graduation
- college persistence
- unemployment



# CAN Community Council

2015 Work Plan



#### Building on our work in 2014

- The Community Council heard presentations on vulnerable populations learning...
  - barriers facing each population
  - collaborations that exist to help
  - systems improvements to address barriers
- This information was shared with the CAN Board of Directors and was incorporated in the new CAN Dashboard webpages on vulnerable populations
- The CC panel discussions, along with the CAN Safety Net Forum discussions, led to the identification of 7 person-centered themes.

- Aging
- Children & Youth
- Immigrants
- People with Criminal Histories
- People with Disabilities
- Veterans











- 1. Help me get a good start.
- 2. Consider my whole family.
- 3. Provide services where I am.
- 4. Develop a system that works for me.
- 5. Empower me to improve my community.
- 6. Respect me and talk to me in a way I can understand.
- 7. Create neighborhoods where I can access opportunity.



#### Objective for 2015

- The Community Council will meet with Vulnerable Populations providers and collaborations that exemplify the personcentered themes to learn...
  - In what ways do you provide services that reflect a personcentered approach?
  - What is the benefit of this approach to your agency and to those you serve?
  - What systemic or institutional changes would help expand the ability of your organization to implement person-centered concepts and service models?
- The Community Council will share what is learned at Council meetings and at the CAN Board meetings at a Summit in October

#### Criteria for selecting panelists

- □ Theme 2: Consider my whole family.
  - Multi-generational approaches
  - Clients choose services they want (wrap-around approach)
- □ Theme 3: Provide services where I am.
  - Services are provided in ways that are most convenient
  - One-stop models
- □ Theme 4: Develop a system that works for me
  - Service providers are collaborating in ways that create a system, better meeting the needs of clients and leveraging the individual efforts of providers and funding entities



#### October Summit

- Summit will share what is learned in CAN Board of Directors meetings and CAN Community Council meetings
- Summit will celebrate organizations that exemplify person centered themes, providing inspiration to others
- Summit participants will brainstorm about how the institutional structures can be changed to break down barriers and to incentivize these concepts and service models.

# Person-Centered Themes Explored

2015 Community Council		
Jan	Orientation, 2014 Accomplishments, Work Plan for 2015 – building on what was learned	
Feb	Reentry	Council Sub-Committee will define questions to be asked of panelists Council Sub-Committee will begin planning October Summit
Mar	Aging	
April	Immigrants	
May	Veterans	
June	Children and Youth	
August	People with Disabilities	

# Person-Centered Themes Explored

2015 Community Council		
Sept	Facilitator training for Council Members, Report from Summit Planning Sub-Committee	
Oct	Summit is held to explore what we can do differently to promote person-centered themes	
Nov	Review Evaluations and Feedback from Summit and priorities for a Final Report	
Dec	Share Report with CAN Board of Directors	



#### Your role

- Attend Community Council meetings
- Participate in Work Groups and leadership roles
- Become familiar with www.CANatx.org and www.CANcommunitydashboard.org
- Sign up to receive CANews, like Community Advancement Network on Facebook, follow CAN\_Austin on Twitter
- Forward CANews, share, retweet, spread the word
- Invite us to make a presentation to your
   neighborhood, work, church, agency, group

