

### **Addendum: ACT IV and Beyond**

Below is a summary intended to highlight both the vision and the commitment of the initiative's key partners, and provide a road map for continuing effort and evaluation as ACT Anaheim grows beyond its initial three-year mission.

### **Stakeholder Summit**

OCCF hosted a Stakeholder Summit in May 2017 for ACT partners, including grantees and community collaborators, to share results of the Initiative, discuss their current observations about the Anaheim community, and prioritize youth needs to guide future discussion and planning efforts. Long time ACT partner, The Olin Group, facilitated a candid discussion around major gaps and challenges facing organizations serving the youth in Anaheim, and strategies that were not currently being explored.

### **A Collaborative Proposal**

In subsequent meetings grantees committed to continuing the effort, addressing the priorities from the Stakeholder Summit and incorporating them into planning for Year 4. The group worked together to develop the components of a collaborative proposal that would serve as a request for funding to ACT funders. The collaborative proposal was developed through an intensive series of facilitated discussions over a 6-week period. All of the participating grantees engaged deeply and thoughtfully, with designated decision makers to take part in the collaborative proposal process. The results of those key decisions were submitted by community partners willing to continue supporting the initiative into the future, which represents an important step forward in the development of a collective impact framework and a sustainable, self-governing collaboration.

### **A New Mission and Vision**

Although ACT Anaheim partners have been working together for nearly three years, vision and mission statements had never been developed for the initiative. Partner organizations determined that articulating the initiative's vision and

mission would be crucial to the success of the collaborative proposal process and produced the following:

#### Vision

Anaheim youth are resilient, healthy, safe, and productive members of society.

#### Mission

Through strategic coordination of resources and opportunities, ACT Anaheim equips and prepares youth and families to become empowered, self-sufficient, and make healthy decisions into adulthood to build a strong community.

#### **Revised Goals**

In light of the new vision and mission statements, partners noted that the existing goals, which were programmatic in nature, needed updating as well. In addition, a set of structural goals was necessary to address the long-term impact and sustainability of the initiative. As a result, the programmatic goals were refined to add an emphasis on safety in addition to health and to include a statement reemphasizing the initiative's programmatic focus on youth, ages 13-21. The partners identified three structural goals to address capacity building, systemic/institutional change, and the creation of a continuum of youth services in Anaheim. Action steps were adopted for each of the structural goals.

#### *PROGRAMMATIC GOALS*

ACT Anaheim's programmatic focus is on youth, ages 13-21

1. Youth are college and career ready
2. Youth are positively engaged and connected in the community
3. Youth have safe and healthy lifestyles
4. Youth have positive relationships with parents and other adults

#### *STRUCTURAL GOALS*

1. Build capacity of people, programs, and places and leverage resources to provide consistent services to impact the community.
2. The community and its institutions are positively engaged with youth.
3. Establish a continuum of youth services in Anaheim from school age to adulthood.

### **The Future of Collective Impact**

In Year 4, the partners intend to further develop the collective impact framework for ACT Anaheim, and to that end, they agreed on a direction for future work in three areas related to the conditions for collective impact: mutually reinforcing activities, shared measurement, and shared decision-making and accountability structures. This future direction will guide the partners' collaborative work through a structured process over the course of Year 4.

When the collaborative proposal was finalized, the grantees continued their commitment to provide enhanced services for older youth as well as the proposed collaborative efforts this year. In June 2017, ACT Funding Partners awarded \$982,500 for ACT Anaheim grantees to continue their work.