

The goal of this Community of Practice is to facilitate connections among CDSS HHD grantees operating Bringing Families Home, HDAP, Home Safe, or CalWORKS HSP programs. Through a series of virtual and in-person convenings, participants will have the opportunity to network with other grantees in the San Joaquin Valley, foster regional partnerships, and exchange effective strategies to address homelessness and housing instability among families, older adults, and people with disabilities.

* Please note that the agenda is subject to change. The topics, times, and focus areas may be adjusted based on ongoing discussions and evolving needs.

Virtual Meetings

This series of virtual meetings will take place via Zoom. Each session's topic will be built on the previous one and will inform the agenda for the in-person meeting. You can register for all three virtual Communities of Practice here.

Meeting Registration - Zoom

Meeting 1: Tuesday, September 24, 2024: 9:00 -11:00 am

Topic: The first meeting will introduce you to the regional convening process, goals, and objectives, provide the opportunity to get to know other grantees in the San Joaquin Valley, and begin mapping key resources and partners in the San Joaquin Valley regional network.

Tentative Agenda:

- 1. Welcome & Agenda
- 2. Overview and Goals of State-wide and Regional Convening/Collaboration
- 3. Collaboration Mapping using Lucidspark Electronic Whiteboard
- **4.** Summary and Next Steps



Meeting 2: Tuesday, October 8, 2024: 9:00 -11:00 am

Topic: During this session, we will work collectively to identify and prioritize successes and unique challenges facing San Joaquin Valley grantees. We will prioritize topics for workshops and panels for the in- person sessions.

Tentative agenda:

- 1. Welcome, Agenda, Recap of meeting #1
- 2. Overview of the results of the polls and collaborations by aggregate numbers. Demonstrate an overview of regional collaboration by program and collaborative partners such as Public Housing Authorities, Homelessness Continuums of Care, Legal aid, Social Security Administration, Permanent Supportive Housing.
- 3. Group Collaboration activities by programs, brainstorming discussions on how participants plan to implement these tools in their contexts on a regional basis.
- 4. Summary and Next Steps

Meeting 3: Tuesday, October 22, 2024: 9:00 -11:00 am

Topic: As we continue building toward the in-person convening, we will identify promising practices, tools, and action steps to ensure program success and sustainability both locally and at the regional level. We will also begin to hear from communities, highlighting their programs and innovations.

- 1. Welcome, Agenda, Recap of meeting #2 and an introduction to strategic planning.
- 2. Presentation from a community highlighting their program and innovative processes.
- 3. Guided workshop on creating a strategic plan for regional collaboration, including goal setting and actionable steps. Groups share their plans and receive feedback. The groups will continue the process in person.
- 4. Summary and Next Steps



In-Person Two-Day Session (Save the Date)

Date: First Week of December 2024 (December 3rd & 4th)

Tentative Time: Day 1 TBD, Day 2 TBD Location: San Joaquin Valley: TBD

Registration to come

Day 1: Tentative Agenda

The focus will be on collaborative learning, networking, and sharing successful practices based on the priority areas identified during the virtual meetings. The goal is to build understanding and relationships among participants through panels, discussions, and informal networking.

9:00 a.m. Welcome and Discussion

- Change Well Project and CDSS
- Brief introductions of participants (name, role, organization)
- Welcome remarks and session overview

10:30 a.m. Presentation or Workshop

• Expert presentation or facilitated workshop on the chosen priority topic (e.g., Presentation on successful case studies of regional collaborations)

11:30 a.m. Breakout Sessions

- Groups separated by different programs to allow for Peer-to-Peer learning
- Group work will be focused on specific topics related to program enhancement and collaboration.

12:30 p.m. Lunch

Informal Networking

1:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions

- Groups continue to work on collaboration by creating road maps for sustainability and planning for future regional collaborations.
- Each group presents their findings and recommendations

3:00 p.m. Afternoon Break



3:15 p.m. Presentation or Workshop

- Affordable Housing in San Joaquin Valley (example)
- Emerging Best Practices in Rapid Rehousing (example)

5:00 pm Closing Remarks

- Recap of the day and next steps
- Optional Social Event or Networking

Day 2: Tentative Agenda

Dedicated to specific action planning and program improvement. We will set actionable goals for the future, create road maps for sustainability, and plan for future regional collaboration.

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Review the Community of Practice Process

10:30 a.m. Discussion

- Open Floor for thoughts and questions
- Next steps in the process
- Summary of key points and next steps

11:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions

- Communities finalize collaboration roadmap
- Facilitators provide feedback

12:30 p.m. Closing Activity