Local Health Improvement Coalition (LHIC) Meeting

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Welcome!

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LHIC Goals & Purpose

Local Health Improvement Coalition (LHIC)

1. The coalition's purpose is to identify and address Baltimore City's most **pressing structural health disparities** by bringing together a **multisector group,** with representation from community, health, and government.

2. Requires the **shared leadership** of healthcare, government and community organizations, and community members.

3. BCHD LHIC works to address **3 health priorities** through a diversity of perspectives, collaboration, and pooling of resources.

Mission

To protect health, eliminate disparities, and enhance the wellbeing of everyone in our community through education, coordination, advocacy, and direct service delivery.

Vision

An equitable, just, and well Baltimore where everyone has the opportunity to be healthy and to thrive.

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Our Values

Data-Driven

Integrity

Innovation

Collaborative

Empowerment

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2023: Goals and Activities

Quarter 1 (Jan-Mar)
1. Fundraising
2. Data sharing convening
3. Build diabetes map
4. Launch website

Quarter 2 (Apr-Jun)
1. Data sharing convening
2. Launch data dashboards
3. Community stipends/onboarding
4. Expand social needs and diabetes screening**

Quarter 3 (Jul-Sep)
1. Kick off Community Health Needs Assessment
2. Data sharing convening
3. Bi-directional referral**
4. CHW advocacy**

Quarter 4 (Oct-Dec)
1. Kick off Community Health Improvement Plan
2. Data sharing convening

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**Pending Additional Funding

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LHIC Website Launch

1. The new LHIC website will be in the BCHD main menu.

2. All monthly and quarterly meeting minutes and recordings will be available.

3. All requests to join should be completed through the website.

4. All goals, activities, and data will be featured on the website.

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Tell us what you think!

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Health Priorities

Work Group Share-Outs

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Social Determinants of Health

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Lead: Dr. Teresa Leslie & Keyonna Mayo

Active Members: Vanya Jones, Yvonne Bronner, Farmer Chippy, Krismir Thomas, Charles Jackson, Charlie Nguyen, Hameenat Adekoya,, Rashad Stanton, Sonya Kirby, Lorena DeLeon and many others. We have a large group!!

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Social Determinants of Health Work Group

Our Goal: Improve health and well being outcomes by addressing social determinants of health (SDoH)

Agriculture is multi-sectorial and transdisciplinary!

It is important to work outside of silos to get the job done and improve the health and well being of those who need it most.

Our Objectives:

1. Improve food <u>availability</u>, <u>access</u> and <u>utilization</u> by fostering engagement between farmers and communities (allow farmers to take the lead)

2. Increase knowledge of healthy food through community education (tap into the resources already existing in communities)

3. Assist in the growth and development of a sustainable urban agricultural industry in Baltimore City to improve the economic stability of Baltimore City residents (increase autonomy and self-determination).

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Baltimore City Urban Ag Rapid Assessment

Farms Visited:

- Plantation Park Heights
- Strength to Love II
- The 6th Branch (three locations)
- Black Butterfly Urban Farm Academy
- Civic Works Real Food Farm
- Bon Secours Community Works Urban Farm
- Hidden Harvest
- Filbert Street Community Garden.

Upcoming Site Visits:

- 500 N. Duncan Street Community Garden
- Ash Street Community Garden
- Charles M. Halcott Square Masonville Cove
- Mount Clare Street Community Garden
- Oakenshawe Green Space
- Homestead Harvest Community Garden
- Upper Fells Point Community Garden
- Victorine Q. Adams Organic Garden
- City School Farm

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Baltimore City Urban Ag Rapid Assessment

Farms are:
- meeting space/community hub/safe-haven
- source of food for the community
- place for entrepreneurial and employment opportunities for Baltimore City residents.

Currently there is:
- Lack of support from Baltimore City
- Insufficient funding/capital
- Too few trained staff/volunteers
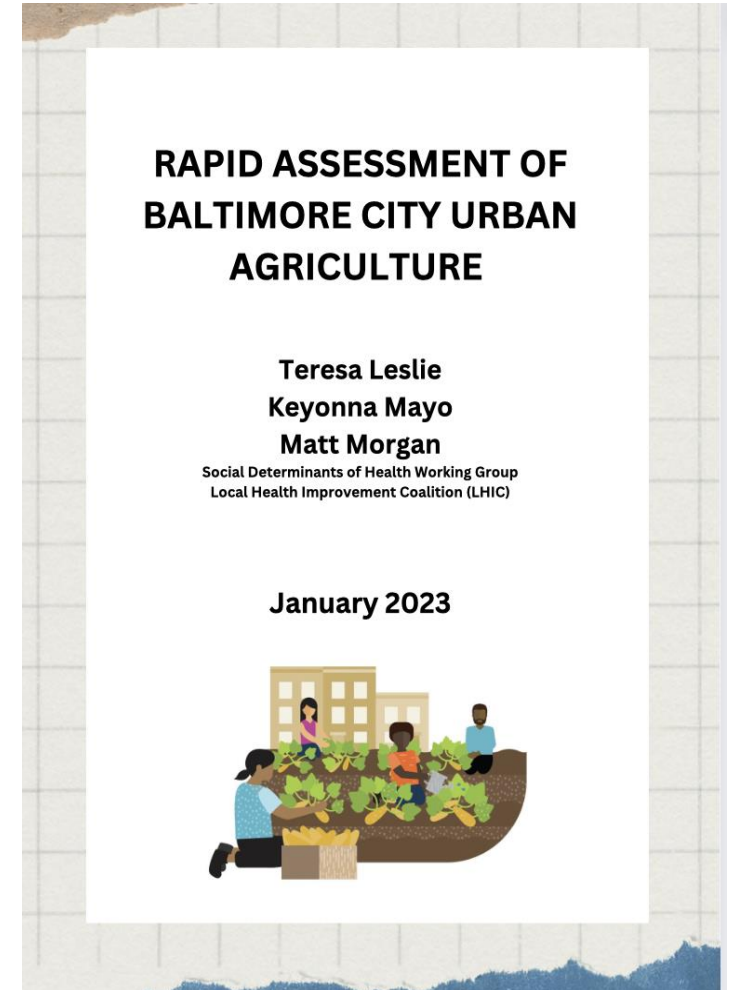- Lack of awareness by community members.

Farmers are:

- Highly prioritizing working with children. Farmers are either already working with schools and/or building relationships with schools to engage children and youth in agricultural activities.

- Advocating for urban agriculture and its holistic benefit for community development. Community is a pre-requisite for health/well-being. Proper nutrition aids in good health/well-being.

- Advocating for policy that would develop and include agriculture in the elementary school curriculum.

RAPID ASSESSMENT OF BALTIMORE CITY URBAN AGRICULTURE

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Social Determinants of Health Working Group
Local Health Improvement Coalition (LHIC)

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Next Steps

Working together and supporting each other!

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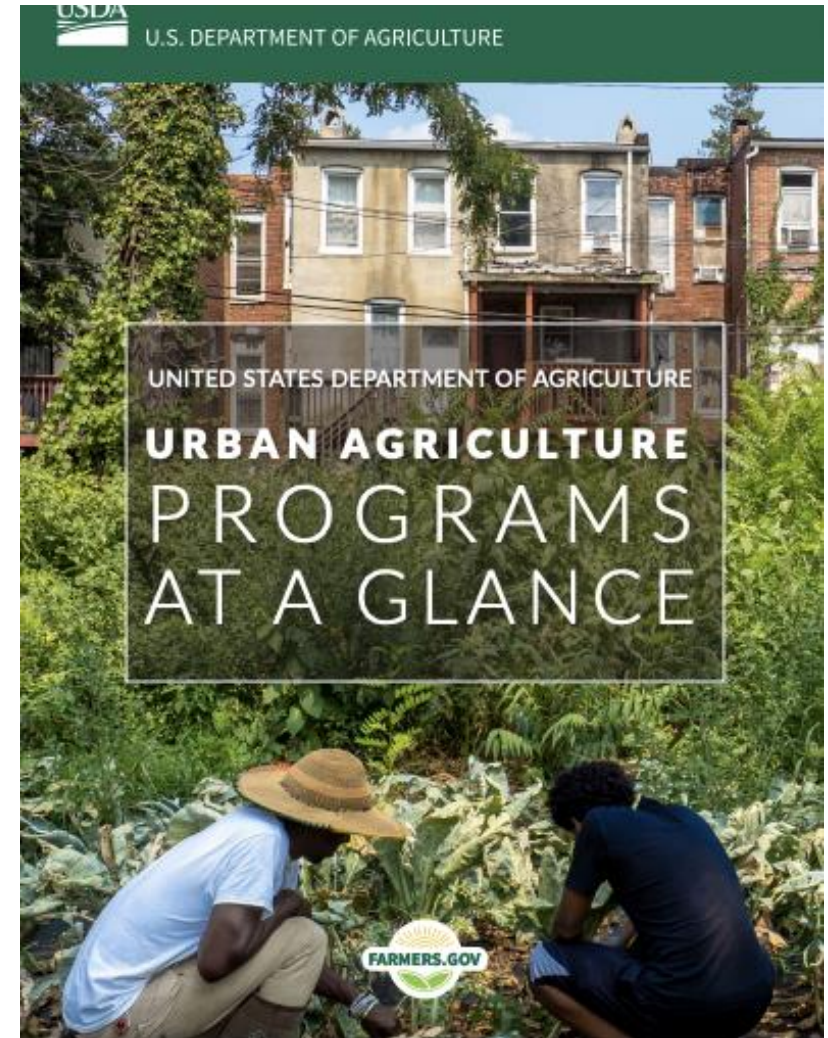
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Actively applying for funding

- CDC-Diabetes
- RWJF
- USDA

Working to align funding with other working groups (diabetes & care coordination

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Advocacy

Advocacy during Legislative Session (HB152 Dept of Ag, Urban Ag Grant Fund)

Bill expands the scope of the MD Dept of Ag to include agricultural production in urban areas

Legislation passed with <u>no opposition</u>

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Collaborate

Collaborate with other agencies (city, NGOs, etc.) working to support urban ag.

- Jan 12-14- Future Harvest Conference

- Feb 6 Office of Sustainability meeting

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Combine SDOH with SDG's and Mayoral Priorities in order to:

- Increase Social and Community Ties

- Increase Local Employment

- Improve Health Outcomes (food availability, access and utilization)

- Baltimore City Urban Agricultural Innovation

Doing so expands funding sources!!!!!

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Increase social and community ties	SDH10.2 Empower and promote the social, economic, and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status. SDH11 Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable SDH11.3 enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated, and sustainable community planning and management	NWS-02 Eliminate very low food security in children HC/HIT-04 Increase the proportion of adults who talk to friends or family about their health. HC/HIT-R)! Increase health literacy of the population	<u>Pillar 4 Equitable Neighborhood Development</u> Goal 2 Increase capital investment and ensure equitable access to services in formerly redlined neighborhoods. Goal 4 Ensure every neighborhood can access affordable, healthy food; safe, reliable public transportation options; and quality streets and sidewalks. Goal 6 Move the City and Baltimore residents towards a more sustainable future and zero waste, through improved recycling, composting, waste management, and improved energy practices. <u>Pillar 5 Responsible Stewardship of City Resources</u> Goal 3 Recruit, retain, and develop a diverse and high-achieving workforce. Goal 5 Increase transparency and meaningful resident participation in government

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Increase local employment	SDH 2 End Hunger 2.3 By 2030, double the agricultural productivity and incomes of small-scale food producers 2.4 ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems SD8 Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all SD10. Reduce inequality SDH10.1 progressively achieve and sustain income growth of the bottom 40%of the population at a rate higher than the national average; SDH10.3 Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, including by eliminating discriminatory laws, policies and practices and promoting appropriate legislation, policies, and action in this regard. SDH8.5- Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value; SDH8.6 Substantially reduce the proportion of youth not in employment, education, or training.	AH-09 Reduce the proportion of adolescents and young adults who are not in school or working SDOH-01 Reduce the proportion of people living in poverty SDOH-02 Increase the employment of working-age people SDOH-03 Increase the proportion of children living with at least 1 parent who works full time	Pillar 2 Prioritizing Youth Goal 2 Increase quality employment, mentorship, and entrepreneurship opportunities for disconnected youth. Goal 3 Decrease the number of justice-involved youth and increase opportunities for education and employment. Goal 5 Increase engagement with Baltimore youth to make local government more accessible to and reflective of them.

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Improve health outcomes	SDH 2 End Hunger 2.1 End hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular the poor and people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year round. 2.2 End all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under 5 years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women and older persons. SD3 Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages SDH3.5- Strengthen the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse, tobacco, and harmful use of alcohol.	NWS-01 Reduce household food insecurity and hunger NWS-02 Eliminate very low food security in children HC/HIT-04 Increase the proportion of adults who talk to friends or family about their health HC/HIT-R01 Increase the health literacy of the population	Pillar 3 Clean and Healthy Communities Goal 1 Reduce public health disparities across the City (*by decreasing environmental hazards and improving air quality*).

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agricultural innovation	SDH8.2 -Achieve higher levels of economic productivity through diversification, technological upgrading, and innovation, including through a focus on high-value added and labor-intensive sectors SDH8.5- Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value SDH8.6 Substantially reduce the proportion of youth not in employment, education, or training. SDH8.3 Promote development-oriented policies that support productive activities, decent job creation, entrepreneurship, creativity, and innovation, and encourage the formalization and growth of micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises, including through access to financial services.	NWS-01 Reduce household food insecurity and hunger NWS-02 Eliminate very low food security in children.	Pillar 4 Equitable Neighborhood Development Goal 2 Increase capital investment and ensure equitable access to services in formerly redlined neighborhoods. Goal 4 Ensure every neighborhood can access affordable, healthy food; safe, reliable public transportation options; and quality streets and sidewalks. Goal 6 Move the City and Baltimore residents towards a more sustainable future and zero waste, through improved recycling, composting, waste management, and improved energy practices.

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Diabetes Strategy

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LHIC Update
Saint Agnes & LifeBridge Health
Diabetes Collaborative

Working Group Report out

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Status Update

1. What work has been done since the last LHIC meeting?

2. What successes and challenges have you had since the last LHIC meeting?

3. What are your next steps or next big deadline?

4. What do you need from the other LHIC members?

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Food Access

Vendor Collaborations

Food Partner	Service
Meals on Wheels	12-week prepared/packaged foods
Hungry Harvest	12-week of a fresh produce box
Movable feast	12-week of packaged meals & 1 bag of fresh produce
Food Project	12-week of prepared meals
Giant Foods	20-week $20 dollars allotted for fresh/frozen produce per week ($80/month)
Tangelo	14-week grocery box and nutrition support via mobile app (EBT/SNAP benefits eligible)
Virtual Supermarket "Baltimarket" (June 2023)	Grocery/produce delivery to homebound residents through use of EBT/SNAP

Food Access Successes and Challenges

Food Access Success

- Held several inservices to re-introduce the Food Access program to LBH physicians and practices, resulting in increased referrals and staff engagement
- Number of participants continue to rise
- Currently have 238 food access participants

Food Access Challenges

- Virtual supermarket/Baltimarket delayed start date (CRISP integration)
- Participants reluctant to use the food benefits
- Lack of DSMT or DPP appointments resulting in decreased number of referrals to food access
- Food access needs beyond service area zip codes

Diabetes and Prediabetes Education

DPP Successes and Challenges

- ## DPP Success

  - New co branded flyers for marketing complete
  - New website for patient/CHW/Community Educator potential interest capture
  - Completed CRISP alert Pilot
  - We have adjusted our data collection to target participants in our five assigned zip codes.
  - Collaborating w Baltimore City Virtual Supermarket for outreach
  - Enlisted Ascension National for help with contracts

- ## DPP Challenges

  - Navigating migration from virtual to in person
  - Contracts
  - Lack of progress with awareness of prediabetes and risks
  - Lack of program awareness and benefits (physicians)
  - Low physician referral volumes for target zip codes

DSMT Successes and Challenges

- DSMT Success

  - Return to in person group. Retention has been excellent
  - Increasing outreach and DSMT educator presence in physician offices
  - New manager focused on quality and outreach
  - Diabetes focus on LEAD collaborative project
  - Connected with GMC dialysis patients
  - Grace Medical has started recognition process to be able to bill DSMT

- DSMT Challenges

  - Lack of referrals for Medicare patients
  - No show/cancellation rate approximately 50% for 1:1 appts
  - Credentialing diabetes educators to ensure payment from private insurers
  - Need new targets for patient outreach
  - Staffing issues have hindered capacity/volumes

Coming Up...

1. Planning direct patient outreach for prediabetes patients in our primary care offices
2. Delivery of DPP education at the Jewish Community Center @ Park Heights starting Spring 2023
3. Implement onsite DSMT at additional medical groups. Should double presence in next 3 months.
4. Set up monthly virtual DPP information sessions to elicit participant interest and enrollment.
5. Establishing unified patient access algorithm across DSMT providers to compensate for staffing gaps

How LHIC can Support

- Identify people with prediabetes in Baltimore City
- Refer patients who are not eligible to your grant service zip codes to appropriate institutions who can service them

Care Coordination

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Care Coordination Workgroup Update

Goals:

1. Improve access to healthcare, services, and resources for Baltimore City residents.
2. Improve the quality of healthcare, services, and resources for Baltimore City residents.

Objectives:

1. By December 2023, build four new referral pathways between health providers and community organizations.
2. By January 2024, implement 1-2 policies in support of community health workers.
3. By June 2024, coordinate the sharing of health-related social needs data across 85% of healthcare systems.

Team:

Next Big Milestones:

1. Convene healthcare and community partners with CRISP, Maryland's Health Information Exchange.
2. Work with healthcare partners to identify values, needs, and challenges related to data sharing.

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Workgroup Update

Successes	Identified a viable funding source for data sharing and bi-directional referrals
	Regular strategy and planning with CRISP and others toward SDoH data sharing
Impact	To date none but working toward improving the quality of care for Baltimore City residents.
Lessons Learned	Healthcare and community have many competing priorities, but there is an interest in data sharing.
	Community participation requires funding!!
Discuss any innovations and/or data used to drive your outcomes.	We feel most proud of our plans to reimburse and incentivize community participation in the LHIC.

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COVID-19 Mini-Grants

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Mini-Grant Awards

COVID-19	Social Determinants of Health
BCHD is looking for community organizations who can assist with making vaccines accessible to our neighborhoods and provide appropriate education and outreach.	BCHD is looking for community organizations who address the impact of COVID-19 on under resourced communities.

Applicants can:

- Host/support COVID-19 clinics

- Support COVID-19 outreach & education

Applicants can:

- Provide resource navigation

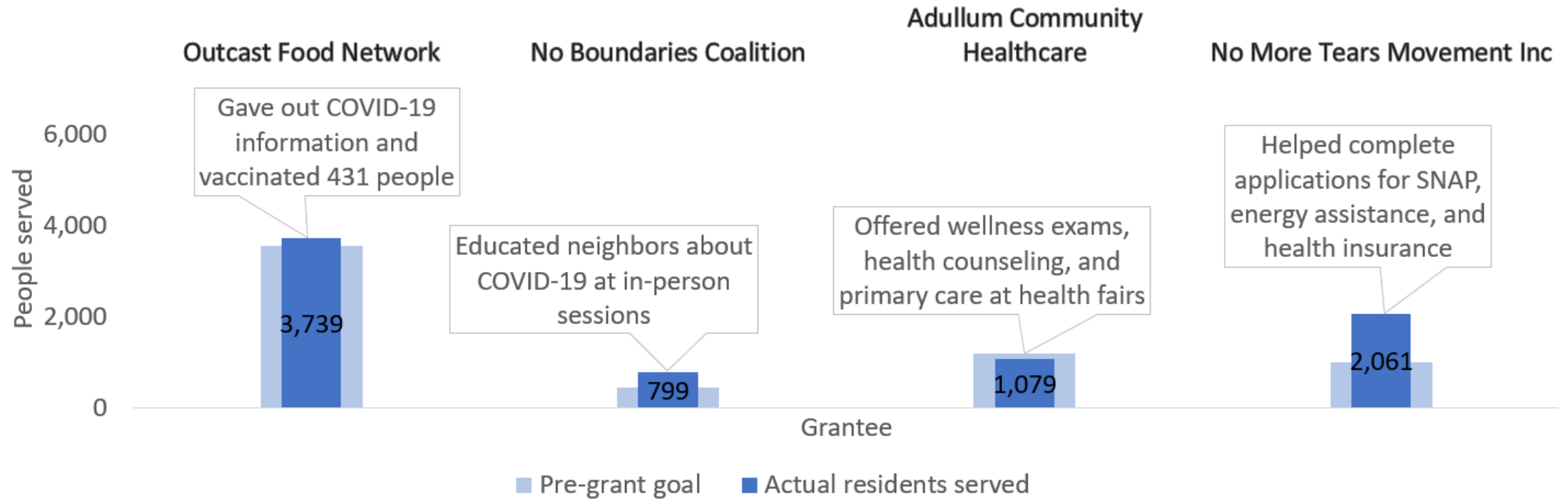- Fill a gap

- Improve the accessibility of community resources

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When to Apply

Monday, March 13, 2022   Mini-grant application is open

Friday, March 24, 2023   Mini-grant applications are due
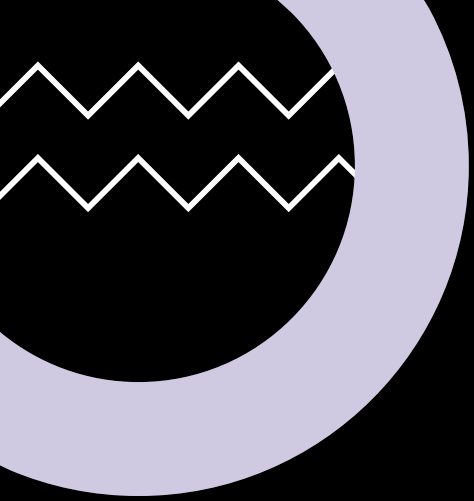
Monday, April 17, 2023   Funding period begins

To apply: https://civicworks.submittable.com/submit

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Community Spotlight

Thank you, Angela Ginn-Meadow, Steven McGaffigan, and Keyonna Mayo

Community Announcements

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