

## People Task Force Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2021 @ 10am

Attendees: Interface Studio – Stacey Chen, Scott Page; AMHA – Christina Hodgkinson, Debbie Barry, Tina Morris, Erin Myers, Katie Jakubcin, Myia Jeffries, Hailey; City of Akron – Dylan Garritano; GSI – Riana Pogue, Marki Johnson; TLC – Nina Liou; Summit County Library – Pam Hickson-Stevenson; Summit Lake Resident – Sandra Saulsberry; YMCA – Helena Peters; Boys and Girls Clubs – Aretha Valentin, Colette Taylor; Summit County Public Health – Brent Rollins; Akron Public Schools - Carla Chapman; Akron Children’s Hospital – Shawn Cordes, Courtney Hudson; Summit Metro Parks – Demetrius Falconer; Summit Education Initiative – Diana Kingsbury; Stark State – Drew Felberg, Gregory Freeman; Reach – Greg Guarneri; SLA Resident, Summit Lake CDC – Grace Hudson; Jobs Plus – Kellie Morehouse; Open M – LaDonna Paul; Project Learn – Marquita Mitchell; South Street Ministries – Joe Tucker; Meghan Doran; ConxusNEO – Sue Lacy

- Stacey and Nina gave an overview of the findings from Workshop #1 and data collected from SLA resident surveys
- PTF members expressed thoughts on the possibility of results being impacted due to the pandemic
- Most PTF members are interested and discussing focal points more in-depth next month
  - Lots of data to digest
  - Do targeted discussion groups next month to dive deeper and help understand the specific barriers and challenges mentioned
- Questions presented by PTF attendees:
  - Dee Falconer: how can providers use AMHA to provide information to residents? – AMHA does monthly newsletters that contains information about what is going on that every resident receives. If can get information to AMHA, can include.
  - Carla Chapman: wants more information on specific school locations to help better design and implement family resource centers in schools in collaboration with United Way of Summit County
  - Diana Kingsbury:
    - wants information on transportation barriers; Is there a nuance? Unreliable transportation? Maintenance? Cost of gas?
    - Wants to hear how age of children in the home affects the resident responses
  - Sue Lacy: Would like to look deeper into employment issues - ConxusNEO is getting ready to conduct focus groups and surveys with working age adults to gain insight on challenges, preferences, experiences, and suggestions related to finding, securing, and maintaining a well-paying job, would be good to leverage information from the survey
- Focus groups will be divided into topics that PTF members are interested in; anyone with specific questions or topics they would like to cover or sub-analysis requests, please email them to Erin