

2023-2025 Strategic Direction

Approved by Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County Board of Directors on February 27, 2023

MISSION

Partner with community to provide effective and responsive services to reduce the impact of poverty in Hennepin County.

Opportunities

VISION

Hennepin County without poverty.

VALUES



Relationships





Eliminating Barriers



Equity and Inclusion



Responsible Stewardship



Strengthening Community

KEY FOCUS AREAS AND SUPPORTING INITIATIVES

- 1 Aligning Program Operations for Community Impact

 Center human dignity in the delivery of programs focused on short and long-term collective impact
 - a. Deliver a multi-channel service experience for CAP-HC clients that is human-centered, culturally informed, timely and accessible to those of all backgrounds, considering location, language, race, ethnicity, and different ability needs.
 - b. Streamline client intake process and standardize best practices from CAP-HC core programs where possible.
 - c. Support organizational responsiveness by embedding continuous feedback loops that allow CAP-HC clients to share knowledge and staff to document trends.
 - d. Use ROMA Next Generation performance indicators to analyze outcomes across different attributes, such as county location, racial and ethnic groups.
- Building Community Wealth Through Collaboration

Promoting an environment for community prosperity that maximizes resource access for all

- a. Partner with complementary service and other poverty alleviation organizations to establish a robust referral process to address client needs from a holistic perspective, including access to food, health, and legal resources (among others).
- b. Deepen partnership with Hennepin County Family Service Collaboratives to foster inter-organizational referrals and community resource sharing.
- c. Address public safety concerns through collaboration and partnership with community-led initiatives.



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- 3 Affecting Policy to Build Momentum for Systemic Change Addressing the root causes of poverty as a collective effort
 - a. Develop a shared policy agenda with other similar or complementary organizations.
 - b. Continue to collaborate with community advocacy organizations and coalitions and apply for funding opportunities jointly, where possible.
 - c. Seek to engage in community-academic research partnerships to support thought leadership and policy change narratives.
 - d. Provide opportunities for CAP-HC staff and clients to share their stories as part of a comprehensive media communications effort to raise awareness around poverty alleviation impact initiatives, centering community voices.
- 4 Activating Change through Robust Funding Development

 Diversify funding and grow unrestricted revenue to increase sustainability and maximize program flexibility and impact
 - a. Increase board engagement in resource development efforts.
 - b. Refine a targeted grant prospecting and vetting process, including expanding corporate and foundation relationship-building activities.
 - c. Produce a funding case statement that highlights CAP-HC's impact, core programs, and an inspiring vision for the future that is grounded in the community's greatest needs.
- 5 Investing in Team Members for a Thriving CAP-HC

 Foster a vibrant and positive environment where staff can expand their capabilities and utilize their unique advantages as they further our mission
 - a. Unify organization around CAP-HC's aspirational organizational culture values, including Trust, Organizational Stability, Kindness, Accountability, Reliability, Respect, and a Transparent Structure.
 - b. Create a culture of high performance that rewards staff for meeting organizational and departmental standards of excellence.
 - c. Attract and retain top talent through a focus on employee development as well as a competitive compensation and benefits package.

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