Welcome to the San Joaquin Valley Health Fund Grantee Convening

The San Joaquin Valley Health Fund strengthens the capacity of communities and organizations in the San Joaquin Valley to improve health and well-being by advancing programs and policy changes that promote community health and health equity for all.

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Fresno, California
The Center for Health Program Management and funders Sierra Health Foundation, The California Endowment, Rosenberg Foundation and W.K. Kellogg Foundation convened the San Joaquin Valley Health Fund grantees to learn about the funded programs and make connections.
Sierra Health Foundation Senior Program Officer Kaying Hang welcomed everyone and introduced the opening speakers: Chet Hewitt (Sierra Health Foundation), Craig Martinez (The California Endowment), Hugo Morales (The Rosenberg Foundation) and Ellen Braff-Guajardo (W.K. Kellogg Foundation).
Representatives from grantee organizations presented information on their organizations, programs they are implementing using their San Joaquin Valley Health Fund grants, and where they see opportunities for collaboration.
**Center for Multicultural Cooperation**
- Engage young people w/adults: stakeholder
- Fresno Youth Council for Sustainable Communities
  - Youth led: identified homelessness as an issue: “Voice for the Homeless”
  - Breaking down stigmas through digital videos + social media campaigns
  - Building coalitions:

**East Bay Asian Youth Center**
- In Fresno since 2010 to identify health needs of children
- Survey parents partnered to
- Communication w/teachers, schools, after-school programs + adults on campuses
- Music programs developed: Family Farming Clubs + 2 schools led by parent leaders: school-based hubs to improve children’s outcomes + advocacy training for parents

**Reading and Beyond**
- 1999 to empower children + families
- Advocacy initiative to monitor local Capital Planning formula to local control of school funds, more accountability

**Focus Forward**
- Parenting teens program for juvenile justice system
- Increase youth employment opportunities

**Sequoia Riverlands Trust**
- Continue land use policy work: create incentives for conservation-looking at proposed new towns, fuel transport and water issues
**KINGS**

Kings Partnership for Health
- Community coalitions to create an environment of wellness
- Create Crockett for healthy life choices for collective impact

Ensure health equity with a focus on prevention

**MADERA**

Madera Coalition for Community
- Bicycle Rider Planning - add bike lanes, traffic; engage youth to plan
- Meet with city planners, etc.

**MARIPOSA**

Greenaction for Health - Enx. Justice
- Community-led, multicultural, mobilize community power - education, leadership, advocacy, organizing
- Kettleman City: Stop hazardous waste landfill expansion - for clean water & harm prevention
- File civil rights complaint to defeat landfill action - a C.R. issue

Alliance for Community Transformation (Human Trafficking Protocol Project)
- Identify locations, prevent incidents, and prevention - work with survivors to make systemic change
Dolores Huerta, President of the Dolores C. Huerta Foundation, was the keynote speaker. Ms. Huerta, a long-time community organizer and activist, provided context for movement building in the San Joaquin Valley and emphasized that it is people who have the power to make change.

Who’s Got the Power? WE’VE GOT THE POWER!
What Kind of Power? VOTING POWER!
Participants reflected on the first group of presentations.

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**Reflection**

- **Water:** Tulare Co. to be on water board. Don't have to live there. Just own land.

- **Having Ms. Huerta as our keynote:** and seeing the unity we have in the Valley.

- **We have to not only register people to vote, but teach them how.**
A networking lunch included table discussions by issue area.
The grantees presentations continued after the networking lunch.
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1. Land use + transportation planning
   Working w/ a coalition to reduce emissions w/ many partners
   Engage w/ local general plan process

Families of SJ Co

* Why build more prisons?
  Because we can

* Work on alternatives to incarceration
  We continue buying our young people

Reinvent So Stockton Coalition

Political partnerships to make long-lasting change
Engaging the community
Child change, safety, health, education, housing

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Community Partnership for Families of SJ

POWER: parents, teachers
Many youth don’t have a person who gives them power; share thru neg means

3-tier approach

People: Congregations Together

Violence reduction through organizing; many of us can create change
Values: relationships, trust, faith connects us
Connect w/ gang members w/ members
Take back neighborhoods
Create jobs
Link our federations: Drops

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Stockton

Environmental Justice Program

Sustainable Community Connection: San Joaquin and Stanislaus Countries
Organizing and organizing, health, and sustainable
The day closed with final reflections and a summary of next steps.
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