



BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

MARIN COUNTY GRASSROOTS ACTION PLATFORM

**ANALYSIS OF THE NOTES FROM COMMUNITY DIALOGUES HELD IN THE
SPRING 2008**

**NOTES FROM PARTNERS MEETING HELD ON 09-25-08 and
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10/07/08**

Areas covered:

**Childcare
Economic Development
Empowerment
Environmental Health
Healthcare
Housing
Immigration**



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AREA:

Housing

PARTICIPANTS:

- 1. Ricardo Moncrief, ISOJI**
- 2. Nathan Johnson, Greenbelt Alliance**
- 3. Olivia Beltran, Tenants Organizing Project Coordinator**
- 4. Mark Rentz**
- 5. Molly Gebru**
- 6. Robert Smith**

KEY WORDS:

Homes people can afford – affordable
Policies – processes ; economic systems
Homes close to work/jobs and transportation
environmental
Advocacy
Sustainable
Home ownership
Helping people to stay in their homes
Available
Community Land Trust

DRAFT STATEMENT:

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- ✓ influence innovative systems that will ensure home ownership and rentals that people can afford.
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AREA:

Immigration

PARTICIPANTS:

1. Dario D'Arrigo
2. Flor Emert
3. Francisco Diaz
4. Dalila Lopez
5. Astrid de Leon
6. Karina de Leon
7. Galindo de Leon
8. Carlos Guitron
9. Carlos Garcia-Bedoya, PhD

KEY WORDS:

Human Rights
Civic Rights
Safety
Legalization
Concise process
Reform
Education for the new immigrants coming to the country about the system, especially the immigration

Provide a path for undocumented students to continue their higher education
The legalization process to continue even when the main person dies
Stop the violence in the ICE raids
Driver license for immigrants



*Que los estudiantes indocumentados puedan seguir estudios superiores
Que los procesos de legalizacion continuen aunque fallezca el titular
Parar la violencia en los arrestos del ICE
Lizencia de conducir para inmigrantes*

DRAFT STATEMENT:



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AREA:

Empowerment

PARTICIPANTS:

1. Linda Delair

KEY WORDS:

Inform
Train
Influence
Involve
Civic Engagement
Information Access
Increase participation
Representation
Community voice
Easy Access

DRAFT STATEMENT:

Engage participants to stand for an environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling and socially just human presence on this planet as the guiding principles of our time.



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AREA:

Child care

PARTICIPANTS:

- 1. Donna West**
- 2. Mayra Bueno**

KEY WORDS:

Affordable
Quality
Culturally relevant
Linked to community resources
Supports families

DRAFT STATEMENT:

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- Increase the supply of quality child care that is affordable for families of all economic background culturally relevant, and linked to community resources.

(Need to refine to include sentence reflecting more subsidized resources, professional development, and reimbursement for ECE providers.)

- To have more money in the subsidies program. By doing that it would help all the families in the community.
 - Reduce the number of people on waiting list for affordable childcare (*“Not has a long list of about 800 to 900 families. This is just a waiting list in Marin County”*)
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AREA:

Environmental health

PARTICIPANTS:

- 1. Charisse Ma Lebron**
- 2. Connie Barker**

KEY WORDS:

Access
Reduce
Alcohol
Community
Healthy
Establish
Outlets
Environmental
Clean

Monitoring (locally driven to create, promote, establish and reduce)

DRAFT STATEMENT:

Draft Statement: To create a diverse coalition of organizations, community leaders and stakeholders, elected officials, and businesses, that fights to protect the public from the impact of the alcohol industry's negative practices. Specifically, we must work together to expose the alcohol industry's harmful actions related to products, promotions and social influence, and support communities in their efforts to reject these damaging activities.



SAMPLE INDICATORS:

- Where does alcohol rank with its contribution to premature mortality in communities within San Rafael and/or the Canal.
- What are the truancy rates, and what role has alcohol had?
- What percentage of hospital or clinical care within San Rafael/Canal involve alcohol?
- What percentage of crimes committed involve alcohol?
- Does alcohol fuel violence (gang violence, domestic, etc)?
- To what extent is alcohol responsible for a percentage of law enforcement efforts that have to be undertaken?
- What percentage of underage youth have consumed alcohol/continue to consume/engage in binge drinking?
- What are the reasons youth engage in drinking?
- What age are youth first engaging in drinking?
- Is the proximity of liquor stores or advertising among contributing factors for youth, who view alcohol consumption as a necessary part of growing up?
- To what extent does alcohol consumption contribute to the following: crimes, burglary, vehicular accidents, poor child health, homelessness, poverty, depression, poor health, etc.

ACTIVE ORGANIZATIONS:

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- - Marin Institute
 - Environmental Health Network
 - Youth Leadership Institute
 - Department of Health and Human Services
 - CHE (Collaborative on Health and the Environment)
 - Commonwealth (Bolinas)
 - EWG (Environmental Working Group)
 - Campaign for Safe Cosmetics
 - Health Care Without Harm
 - RP&E (Race, Poverty & Environment) – project of Urban Habitat
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AREA:

Health care

PARTICIPANTS:

- 1. Cio, County Health and Human Services**
- 2. Teri, Healthy Marin Partnership**
- 3. Daniel, Operation Access**
- 4. Meilyn, Operation Access**

KEY WORDS:

Volunteerism
Affordability
Prevention
Advocacy
Local
Culturally humble – relevant
Easy access – simple
Partnerships
Right
Insurance
Quality

DRAFT STATEMENT:

Advocate so that all communities through Marin can easily access local resources to affordable, quality, culturally humble and consistent medical and preventive care. All people in Marin have a right to health care in their home community provided by caring and approachable (volunteer) health care practitioners.



SAMPLE INDICATORS:

Blood pressure
Immunization rates
Wellness exams
Vision
Anemia
Diabetes
BMI
STDs and HIV
Hygiene AND UNINOURED
MD's, NP's, , PA's , RN's, MAs, LVNs providers
Waiting lists for treatment
Access to RXs
Use of emergency services for primary

ACTIVE ORGANIZATIONS:

HMP – North Bay Leadership Council, hospitals, Kaiser, Public HHS, United Way, San Rafael Chamber of Commerce,
Operation Access
Marin Medical Reserve Corps
Marin Community Clinics
Physicians
RN's
MA's
Home care
Marin City Health and Wellness center
All Marin Clinics
Hospice of the Bay
Holistic provides
Promotoras
First 5 Marin



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AREA:

Economic Development

PARTICIPANTS:

- 1. David Quinley**
- 2. Pam Scoggins**

KEY WORDS:

Laborers rights
Minimum wage workers
Job opportunities
Employment development
Job development
Increase wages

DRAFT STATEMENT:

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- ✓ Getting unheard voices heard
 - ✓ Higher education
 - ✓ Childcare
 - ✓ Living wages
 - ✓ Transportation
 - ✓ Educational services that keep up with the growing and changing job market from schools, government, businesses, and not-for-profit
 - ✓ Quality of services or products could (?) higher costs that could afford higher wages
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