







Affordable Care Act Enrollment



Cognosante 2016



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The main lesson I learned is that it helps to have a willing partner that wants the relationship as much as we do. Cognosante was willing and eager to make much needed adjustments to improve the program. It took patience and communications from both of our staffs to make this partnership work.

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Dauna Campbell, Reference Supervisor

Partnership: Region One - Informal

ESL/GED Classes





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“ Problems were overcome with patience and constant communication. Communicating our intent, waiting for a response-it can take weeks, even months from first point of contact to start discussing the eventual shape of the partnership. Patience is important--you want to stay in contact with emails and reminders, but you don't want to bombard them or pressure the relationship. ”

Ema Torres, Reference Librarian

AARP Tax Assistance - Informal

February-April 15



Partnership: Family Place Libraries – Formal

Family Place Libraries Program

Workshops - Informal



“ We have had great success with our community partnerships while planning the Family Place Little Learner’s Workshop. The common goal is to make families aware of what is available to them and how these services benefit both parent and child. Whether it be physical therapy services or parents-as-first-teachers services, it is obvious that these types of partnerships are very much needed within our community. The response from the attending families was extremely positive and we are looking forward to future collaborations and projects. ”

Kristina Corral, Children’s Services Supervisor

Farmers Market – Rental Contract



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Thank you for your continued support. The success of the Market would not have been possible without your assistance.

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Market Manager

Public Art - Agreements

Lobby Gallery & City-Wide Exhibits

Lobby Gallery - Agreements

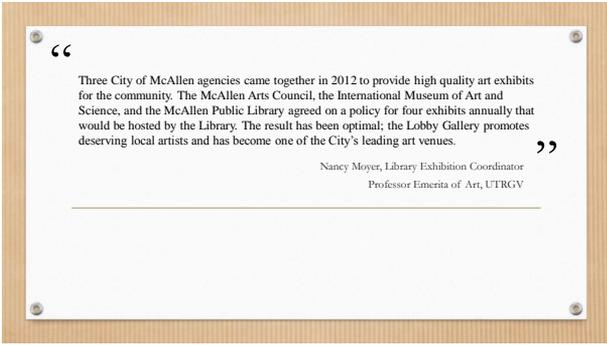


Quarterly Curation



Sebastian's "Almendra"









Self-Serve Terminal



STC wants to partner with your organization to help Your Healthy Youth team get the most out of Your Healthy Youth Program.

YourHealthyYouth.com

The Youth Health and Fitness Summit, Community Summit YourHealthyYouth.com is a free offering to the entire community and is open to all STC Community members and staff.

As a part of the Healthy Youth Summit, we invite every School, Organization or Community member to participate in the Community Summit. Organizations that have Community Partnerships will receive complimentary access to the Summit and will be able to use the Summit for their own use.

A Strong Network

- Increase your organization's visibility
- Connect with other organizations
- Share resources and information
- Build relationships
- Gain additional opportunities
- Build a strong network

Levels of Participation

STC offers three levels of participation in the Community Summit Program. All organizations are encouraged to participate at the level of their choosing.

Full Service Site

- Provide a complete site on location
- Services to clients to use YourHealthyYouth.com
- Receive and display information about STC's health programs and YourHealthyYouth.com

Assistance Site

- Provide site support with an STC representative

How to Register as Community Partner

- Register on the website
- Submit your form of participation
- Sign your form of participation

Certification Requirements

- Community Partner who agrees to participate in the Summit on the website
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STC Student Navigators - Agreement



Partnership: USDA & MISD -
MOU

Summer Meals Program



Summer Lunch at MPL!

Free lunch for children and teens up to 18 years old

Days: Monday - Friday
until August 14

Time: 12:00-1:00PM

Location: Off of the Lobby, Main Library

Adults can also enjoy lunch for a small fee

For more information, please ask staff





Plan / Communicate / Evaluate

- Establish a clear vision with goals and desired outcomes
- Ensure that the partner understands the vision and goals of the partnership. This can motivate people to participate fully in the partnership and will build trust and teamwork. This can be formal (MOU; agreement/contract) or informal (meetings; emails).
- Ensure that there is a common understanding of the culture and values of the host and partner, including roles and responsibilities with regard to division of labor.

- Establish a positive feedback loop to ensure good communication. Make sure to update partners frequently to remind them of their responsibility for the success of the partnership. Meetings can address performance management, but this can also be accomplished with emails. The host may have to establish a network that works for the partnership. This is particularly important when the partner is faced with a problem that inhibits performance.
- If funding is at stake, make sure that both the host and partner are in compliance with the funding agency's expectations.

- Make sure that the partnership is something that the community needs. Sometimes, good ideas are not appropriate or realistic.
- Ensure that partner has the time to devote to the success of a program. Example: partnerships where partner does not respond to emails; does not meet requested deadlines; leaves things to chance/disorganized.
- The host and partner must be willing to evaluate the partnership periodically and make improvements that will strengthen the partnership and accommodate the needs of the partners and community.

Barriers to Successful Partnerships

- Limited vision/ failure to inspire
- One partner manipulates or dominates, or partners compete for the lead
- Lack of clear purpose and inconsistent level of understanding purpose
- Lack of understanding roles/responsibilities
- Lack of support from partner organizations with ultimate decision-making power
- Differences of philosophies and manners of working
- Lack of commitment; unwilling participants

- Unequal and/or unacceptable balance of power and control
- Key interests and/or people missing from the partnership
- Hidden agendas
- Failure to communicate
- Lack of evaluation or monitoring systems
- Failure to learn
- Financial and time commitments outweigh potential benefits
- Too little time for effective consultation

From "Partnerships: Frameworks for Working Together (CCF - Compassion Capacity Fund)

