**MEETING NOTES**

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**Objective**: To determine how key STAKEHOLDERS can best COLLABORATE to enhance communicationand engage the community in order to make a greater impact.

*On June 26, 2019, 27 community members from across the Valley attended the Collaboration Summit. Great conversation and connections made for a productive meeting. The diversity and depth of the people in the room was impressive, along with the fact that nearly every facet of the community was represented. Kudos to Jason, Jack, Ilene, and Carolyn for getting all the players to come to the table in the best interest of the community.*

*The result of the conversation is captured here. It sets the foundation on which to build a community hub that connects volunteers to opportunities, and makes it easier for people to get involved, find services, and participate in community events. What follows is a recap of the flip chart brainstorming from the Summit.*

**What do you love about this community?**

* People
* Small town
* Rural / Ag aspect
* Park & H2O
* Big fish in small pond
* Make a difference
* History
* Relationships
* Collaborative culture
* Do-able
* Neighborly
* A lot going on
* Collaboration
* Diversity
* Beauty of the valley
* We get it done!
* Food
* Independence
* Endless possibilities

Ideas for Collaboration

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| *Idea* | *Why* | *Best Practice / potential resource* |
| Online resources (website? Wiki?) | Central place to find & share info in a timely manner | City of Davis does Wiki; want a 1-stop shop with links to all orgs & resources |
| Online calendar | Post any event in the Valley | Want it to be in real time, easy to input |
| Push notification | Get info to the community instead of waiting for them to seek it out | Marquee (Cal Trans)  Promote website at familiar locations  Eblast newsletter from online tool with multiple admins? |
| Resource Center | Keep people in the know. | Currently RISE & the Esparto Library.  Future: Health Clinic as the Hub |
| Secure funding for a community organizer | Need someone to oversee this effort. | Need a connector (County funding? Grants?) |

The Volunteer Component: *how can better provide volunteers what they need?*

* Involve High School students (inclusive of all kids, help them learn how to volunteer)
* Get info to Spanish speaking families (via the schools)
* Have a clear mission (what do you do?) and provide leadership tools to make it easy for them to volunteer
* Create the social opportunity that so many craveas part of volunteering
* Get information out there (Valley Voice, Rumsey Google Groupand Esparto Watch Facebook pages)
* A leadership development opportunity for taking on new roles within the county

Action Items – *what we’d like to see come out of the Collaboration Summit*

Create a position of Community Coordinator or Director

* Yolo Board of Supervisors role in making this happen
* Joint Proposal from partnering organizations
* Possibly fund part time as a shared resource
* Funding ideas: county and/or grants
* Develop a job description for the ideal position

Community HUB website

* Utilize high school tech students to create (Wayne’s crew)
* School district may be able to host website (Tracy)

Community HUB Council

* Create a small group to put into motion the ideas outlined here
* This group could work with Supervisor’s office for possible funding, seek out grants, and develop job description for the Community Coordinator
* Follow up with several entities that offered to champion different aspects discussed at the Summit and determine who will do what by when
* Report back to those who attended the Summit to keep them in the loop

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