

# Collective Impact



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Santa Monica Cradle to Career  
Making a Difference Together



## CHILD AND YOUTH RESOURCE TEAMS

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# Snapshot: Demographics



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**Total: 93,295**



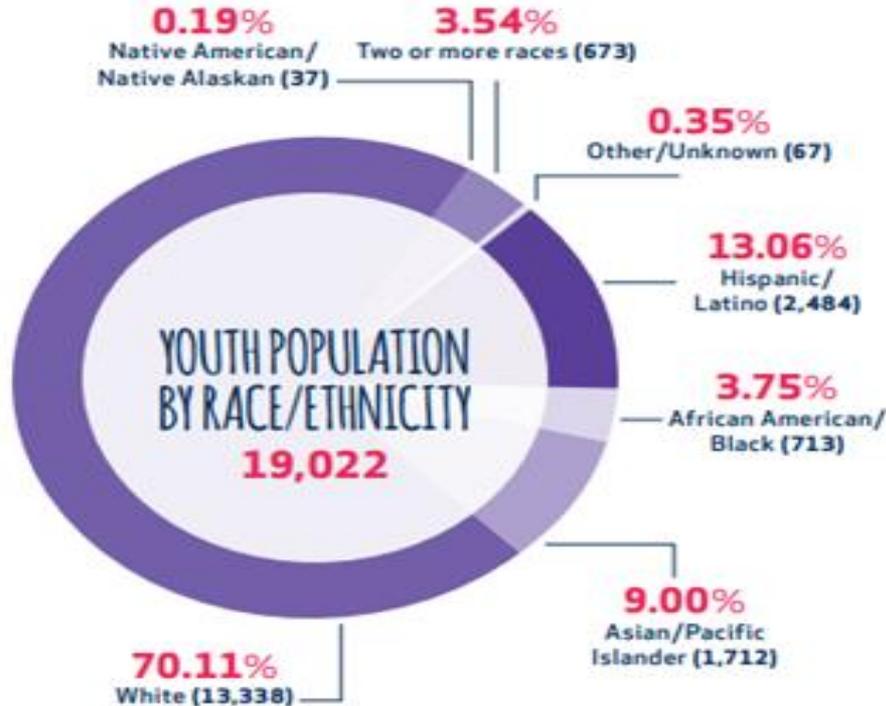
4.7 %	0-5
7.3%	5-14
9.1%	15-24



# Snapshot: Demographics (cont.)



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# Snapshot: Demographics

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The statistics alone paint an incomplete picture of Santa Monica in terms of youth diversity and the need for a coordinated network of support.

## HOMEOWNERS VS RENTERS

67%  
renters



33%  
HOME OWNERS

Median Home Value: \$1,405,700

Median Rent: \$4,976\*

Renters paying over 30% of income to rent: 49.19%

## INCOME



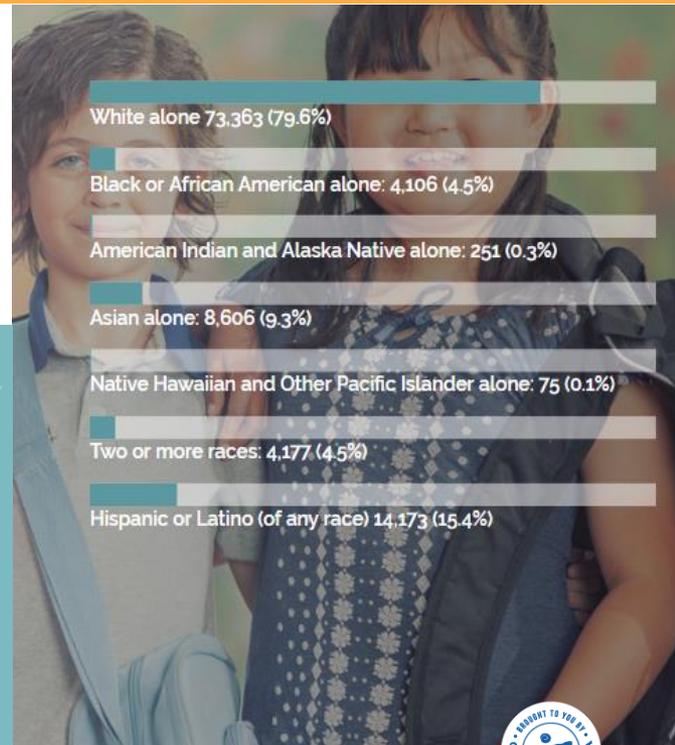
Median Household Income  
\$76,580



Median Family Income  
\$115,567



People living below the federal poverty level 10,170 or 11.3%



# History: SMC2C Key Events



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## Shooting Incident in Pico Neighborhood Wednesday Evokes Memories of Bloody Gang Wars



## Killings Reveal a Hidden Santa Monica

By JOHN L. MITCHELL NOV. 8, 1998 | 12 AM  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Santa Monica is no island of tranquillity, but it seems that way from a seat at a Starbucks sidewalk table on Montana Avenue in a fashionable part of town.

## Los Angeles Times Santa Monica High student leaps to his death

By MARTHA GROVES AND CATHERINE SALLANT, LOS ANGELES TIMES JAN. 18, 2013 | 12 AM

Police and school officials questioned Monday why a seemingly upbeat and well-liked



# History: SMC2C Key Events



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**Santa Monica parents, youth advocates and activists were key in pushing the City, SMMUSD and others to develop Santa Monica Cradle to Career.**



*Community activist Irma Carranza discusses the Cradle to Career initiative during a press conference introducing the new Youth & Family Violence Prevention Fund on Tuesday at Virginia Avenue Park. (Photo by Daniel Archuleta)*



# SMC2C: Our Commitment



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## ABOUT SMC2C.

*Santa Monica Cradle to Career (SMC2C) is a collective impact initiative consisting of the City of Santa Monica, Santa Monica College (SMC), Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMIUSD), service providers, and community stakeholders/advocates working together to develop a continuum of services and opportunities to ensure children and youth thrive from birth to adulthood.*



Increasing  
Kindergarten  
Readiness



Strengthening  
Connectedness and  
Emotional Health



Engaging Vulnerable  
Youth and Families in  
Supportive Services



Improving  
College and Career  
Readiness



# Theory of Change: Collective Impact



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1

**Too many organizations are working in isolation from one another.**

Collective impact brings people together, in a structured way, to achieve social change.

2



**It starts with a common agenda.**

That means coming together to collectively define the problem and create a shared vision to solve it.



**It establishes shared measurement.**

That means agreeing to track progress in the same way, which allows for continuous improvement.



\*Collective Impact Forum

3



**It fosters mutually reinforcing activities.**

That means coordinating collective efforts to maximize the end result.



**It encourages continuous communication.**

That means building trust and relationships among all participants.

4



**And it has a strong backbone.**

That means having a team dedicated to orchestrating the work of the group.



# Data Collection & Key Goal Areas



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## Youth Wellbeing Report Card

- Disaggregated Data Collection and Analysis
- 2012-current
- [Humanizing the Data](#)

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & WELLNESS. FINDINGS

In-School	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Children identified as very socially ready for kindergarten	<b>28.6%</b> 162 / 567	<b>24.1%</b> 130 / 539	<b>32.0%</b> 150 / 471	<b>32.0%</b> 166 / 520	<b>29.0%</b> 117 / 405
Students who report they have a caring relationship with a teacher or other adult at school (reported "high")	<b>37.6%</b> 850 / 2,262*	<b>41.3%</b> 575 / 1,393**	<b>37.0%</b> 772 / 2,087	<b>37.0%</b> 796 / 2,152***	<b>44.3%</b> 949 / 2,142
Students who report they feel safe at school	<b>67.4%</b> 1,525 / 2,262*	<b>69.5%</b> 968 / 1,393**	<b>71.5%</b> 1,492 / 2,087**	<b>69.7%</b> 1,500 / 2,152***	<b>79.0%</b> 1,692 / 2,142
Students who report being harassed on school campus	<b>34.2%</b> 774 / 2,262*	<b>33.0%</b> 536 / 1,393**	<b>30.5%</b> 636 / 2,087**	<b>34.0%</b> 732 / 2,152***	<b>20.8%</b> 445 / 2,142



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# Data Collection & Key Goal Areas

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- ✓ Established shared outcomes
- ✓ Utilized a data informed approach



## YOUTH WELLBEING

Making a difference - together.

### PHYSICAL HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT

Access to healthcare and good nutrition, strong physical fitness levels, and low teen birth rates are **some** key indicators of the physical wellbeing of our youth.

**28%**  
of all SMMUSD  
students utilize free  
& reduced lunch

The teen birth rate is  
less than  
**1%**

### LEARNING & SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT

#### KINDERGARTEN READINESS

Santa Monica children are entering kindergarten physically ready for school.



PHYSICALLY READY & INDEPENDENT

**99%**



GROSS & FINE MOTOR SKILLS READINESS

**53%**

#### COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

**70%**

Santa Monica High School students complete college admission requirements (CSUN/UC)

**95%**

Santa Monica High School Graduation Rate

\*Data sources can be found by visiting [santamonicacradletocareer.org/report-card/](http://santamonicacradletocareer.org/report-card/)

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

More than 1/3 of youth report feeling chronic sadness and hopelessness.

#### 9TH GRADE

Rate of substance use **21%**

Rate of depression **30%**

Suicide ideation rate **20%**

#### 11TH GRADE

Rate of substance use **37%**

Rate of depression **37%**

Suicide ideation rate **14%**

#### OLYMPIC HIGH SCHOOL

Rate of substance use **50%**

Rate of depression **50%**

Suicide ideation rate **27%**



# School District Initiatives



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LCAP

**State Funding:** The LCAP is a three-year plan that describes the goals, actions, services, and expenditures to support positive student outcomes that address state and local priorities. The LCAP provides an opportunity for local educational agencies (LEAs) to share their stories of how, what, and why programs and services are selected to meet their local needs.

Community  
School Model

**Initiative areas of focus:**

- **increasing graduation rates**
- **decreasing chronic absenteeism and dropout rates**
- **reducing suspensions**
- **increasing family engagement**

Restorative  
Justice

**Restorative Justice focuses on alternatives to suspensions and other punitive actions** Some of the alternatives are conflict circles and other discussion sessions



# Development of the Child and Youth Resource Teams



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- **SMC2C identified a service gap for the City's most vulnerable youth and families**
- **Advocacy to City Council for funds to provide case management services for older youth (15-24)**
- **\$300,000/year through the City's Human Services Grants Program**



# Road Map for Building Child and Youth Resource Teams

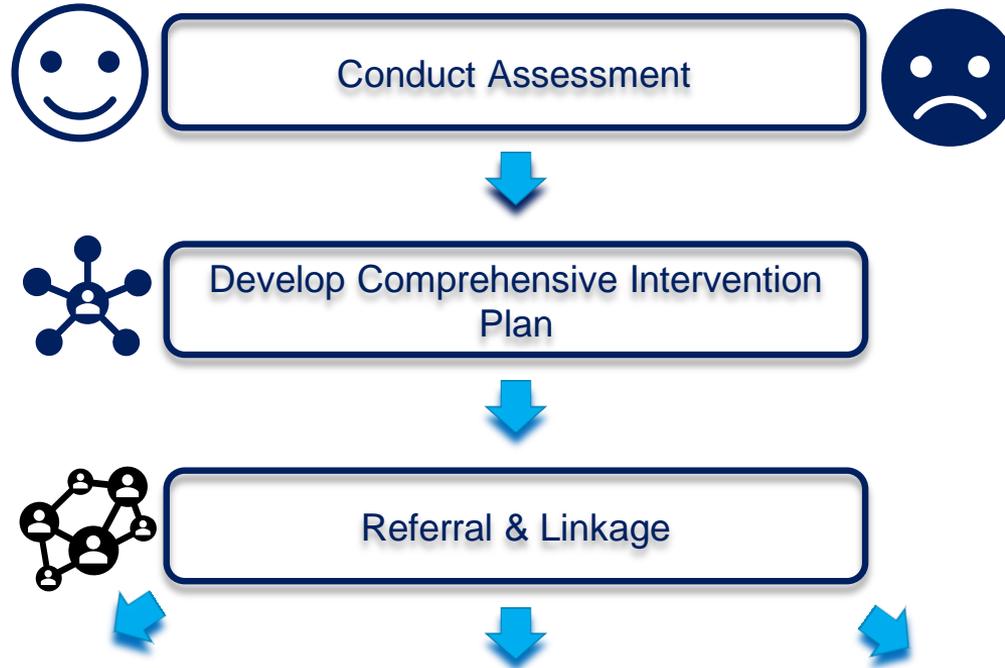
- Community demand for social service funding
- Commitment by the City to fund support services for youth and families
- Identified lead organization(s) that will provide direct youth support
- City mandated collaboration for Human Services Division grantees
- Multi-disciplinary collaborative meetings
- Clear target outcome areas



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# Child and Youth Resource Teams



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- Collective Impact- Case management meetings
- Functions through the support of school district community college, community-based organizations
- Link to mental health
- Scale: Expansion to cover more age groups- Middle School Support Team (ages 10-14) and Early Childhood Wellbeing Project (0-5). Funding increase to a total of \$700,000.



*Youth Resource Team*



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
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*Middle School Support Team*



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*Early Childhood Wellbeing Project*

# Collective Impact = Systems Change



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- Strengthened network of care for the most vulnerable youth and families
- Human Resources/hiring practices
- Instituted Youth Diversion Program
- Advocated and reformed SMMUSD Substance Use Policy
- Student groups- SWAG, Mecha,
- Immersed in SMMUSD's Student Support Services as partners
- Website, report card

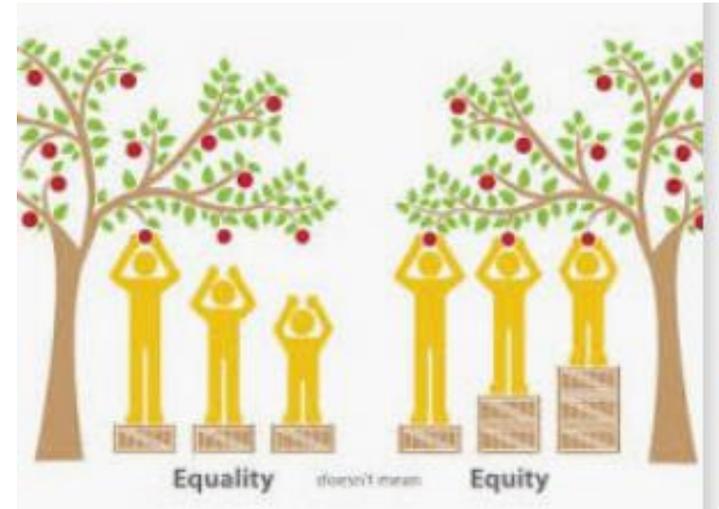


# Inexplicit objective to create systemic equity?

- Demographics of CYRT programming: Program serves majority youth and families of color (90% program participants). This is not explicitly identified in the program plans or in the theory of change, yet is a priority for staff and funders.
- Demographics of SMMUSD student body vs. the demographics of the City.
- How are collective impact models designed? Power dynamics, self-determination?



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# Considerations



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- Challenges of Collective Impact
- The role of community
- The role of leadership
- Impacting systems change
- Upward, and onward... the work continues...



*It takes a village!*



# THANK YOU!



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## Q&A

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