

Community Health Asset Mapping (CHAMP)



Ashe County NC



Background of Mapping Process

- African Religious Health Assets Program
 - Developed a PIRHANA tool for identifying and understanding the positive things in communities
 - Community Health Assets Mapping Partnership or CHAMP was adapted from PIRHANA, developed in Memphis and South Africa to aid in aligning and leveraging assets to improve healthcare outcomes
 - ► CHAMP Ashe County is being used in North Carolina as part of our FaithHealthNC movement

Mapping Workshop Process

- In this community, we held one workshop and interviewed Seekers:
 - ► Health Provider Workshop (9-20-17): people and organizations providing religious, health, and social services related to providing care to those in the community, broadly defined
 - ► Seeker Interviews (9-21-2017): conducted by trusted liaisons to the Ashe County community



Workshop site, date, and participants

- Provider Workshop September 20th 2017 at Bald Mountain Baptist Church, Ashe County
- ▶ 15 participants

Seeker Interview Site and Participants

FaithHealth NC conducted interviews with 22 seekers on September 21st 2017

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A Shared Mission of Healing



Study Area Background

Basic Stats (US census bureau 2016 estimates)

- Population: About 26,924 people

Median Age: 46.6 years (national median-37.8)

Percent of Population: Non-Hispanic White=97.1%; Non-Hispanic Black= 0.9%; Latino=5.3%; Asian=0.6%; Native American= 0.3% Two or more races=1.1%

Living in Poverty: 20.2%

High School Education: 82.2%

Determined area boundary is Ashe County, NC











Provider Workshop Facilitators

Dr. Teresa Cutts, Rev. Emily Viverette, Mrs. Diane Dixon, Rev. Leland Kerr

Provider Participants



- ▶15 People Participated
- ▶ 5 males, 9 females, 14 Non-Hispanic Whites; one did not identify



What
Providers put
on the map:
24 Entities

Factors that work to promote health/well-being in your community

- ▶ 1) Transportation Ability to travel to appointments, or to have providers travel to those in need
 - ▶ 2) Accessibility increase in the number of clinics, including funding and building trust
 - ▶ 3) Geographic Locations where clinics are located in relationship to those for whom services are being provided
 - ▶ 4) Collaboration interagency communication
 - 5) Education- Health literacy as well as addressing stigma
 - ► 6)Food Supply nutrition resources
 - > 7) Volunteers to Fill the Gap use of faith communities and individuals to "fill in gaps" of care

Providers' Health Services Matrix

- 8 Not for Profits
- 2 Governmental/federally qualified services
- 4 Faith Based Programs
- 2 For Profit
- 6 Educational
- ▶ 4 Case Management
- 3 Nutrition Services
- 1 Physical Support Program (added during conversation)
- 6 Advocacy
- ▶ 4 Front line responders support
- 2 Counseling
- 2 Outpatient
- 2 Inpatient
- Device Management
- ▶ 1 each, protection, Emergency financial Assistance, parental education, clothing/food, medical care in home, emergency response, transportation, community referrals
 - MISSING: Daymark, Northwest Regional Housing Authority, CareNet of Wilkes, Seby B Jones Cancer Center, Ashe County Transit Authority, and Mountain Hearts.

Spidergram: Social Networking

Has Relationship

- Sharing Center(2)
- **▶** DSS(3)
- Ashe Really Cares
- Seby Jones Cancer Center(2)
- ► APCE(2)
- ► AMH(2)
- ► Hospitallity House (2)
- ACTA
- ► LTC Facilities (2)
- Senior Services
- EMS
- Caldwell Hospice
- FaithHealth Referral

Wanted Relationship

- Sheriff's Department
- MMMA
- Coalition for the Homeless
- Ashe Really Cares(3)
- Medi Home Health
- Churches (2)
- FEMA funds
- **▶** DSS(3)
- Senior Center (2)
- ► HUD (2)
- Ashe Medics

Organizations of which you are the most proud

Providers

- Ashe Really Cares
- Sheriff's Office
- App Healthcare
- EMS
- School Based Health Program

Seekers

- Ashe Really Cares
- Sharing Center
- DSS
- Riverview Community Center
- Jefferson Methodist

Biggest Winners Were....

- Providers:
 - ▶ Sheriff's Office "Go where the need is."
 - ► EMS "Go where the need is."
 - Ashe Really Cares- helped to reduce food insecurity from 1/4 of the county to 1/6. They were also noted to "walk alongside" their participants and are very collaborative with other agency communities.
 - ► The School Based Health Center -cared for all Middle School children, and for helping to reduce absenteeism, and is a "safe place"
 - App Health Care provides care, including Dental, to the underserved.

Biggest Winners Were....

- Seekers:
 - Ashe Really Cares- food and clothing
 - Sharing Center- food
 - DSS- meds and electricity
 - Riverview Community Center food
 - Jefferson Methodist food ministry

Seeker Interview Sites and Participants

Total: 22 Seekers

- ▶ 19 females and 3 males
- ▶ 21 Caucasian, 1 Hispanic
- ▶ Mean age=43.3 years, median age = 50.5 and ages ranged from 20-73
- Interviewers: Diane Dixon, Angela Clapp
- Site: Ashe Really Cares

Seekers Needs

- Access to dental and eye care
- Housing
- Limits related to Medicaid
- Food quality and access
- Communication between providers
- Transportation
- Financial assistance

Seekers: Gaps in Service

- Dental and vision care
- Difficulty finding providers who take Medicaid
- Travel outside of county for specialists
- Lack of affordable housing
- Continuity of care across providers
- Housing
- Food
- Transportation needs

Seekers: Advice to Authorities

- Need for dental and optometric care
- Need for resources for the homeless and mentally ill
- Care for those who do not meet criteria for Medicaid or Medicare
- Better communication between providers
- Address the drug problem in Ashe County
- More availability of providers

Next Action Steps

- Development of a resource guide: include referral criteria for each agency
- Identify ways to develop an organization grid which is either online or "quick access"
- Determine how other agencies are currently collaborating, and make contact with them: i.e. Ashe Health Alliance, and Collaborative Resource Connection
- ▶ Identify ways to communicate through distance, i.e.: teleconference
- Speak with Ashe County Transportation Authority (ACTA) around transportation needs
- ldentify sources of reluctance in utilizing transportation options available: Ashe has largest transportation budget in state
- ► Invite representatives from ACTA and Veterans Administration

Questions/Comments

- Based on the findings you heard today:
 - What stands out most strongly for you?
- What similarities/differences and potential alignments do you see between Providers and Seekers?
 - What might be additional next steps?
- ► How would **YOU** be willing to help all of our county and stakeholders move forward on the ideas we talked about today?



THANK YOU in helping all gain ACCESS to Better Health and Well-Being!

