



**CHULA VISTA COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE  
PARTNERS MEETING MINUTES  
June 13, 2023**

1. CVCC started the meeting with a little surprise. Music from The House of Music was present. They shared that they are a non-profit that teaches children music and once they finished the program the children/students get to keep the instrument. The House of Music has partnered with CVCC to bring this program starting August at New Directions FRC.
2. Omar C. our CVCC Director welcomed guests and CVC updates:
  - a. CVCC will be hosting a Summer Health and Resource Fair on June 29, 2023, from 12-4 PM at New Directions FRC.
  - b. Marisa Serrano gave information about HHS County of San Diego
    - i. County has a new partnership with YMCA Border View where they will be every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month with CHWs to promote HHS services.
    - ii. Covid & flu clinic is now open at the Oxford office on Sundays only
    - iii. Every Tuesday at the Oxford office they will have Mental Health and CalFresh Resource tables from 8 AM to 12 PM.
  - c. CVCC is hiring, apply online: [Career Opportunities | ChulaVistaCC](#)
  - d. Omar announced that he is leaving CVCC to be the Director of ELOP (Expanded Learning Opportunities Program) for CVESD. Jovita is the interim CVCC Director, if you would like to communicate with Jovita, please contact her at [Jovita.arellano@cvesd.org](mailto:Jovita.arellano@cvesd.org)
3. **Mercury in your creams; Consulting Solutions, Margarita Holguin:**
  - a. Margarita mentioned the importance of how some creams have Mercury and how it affects bodies. Sometimes we don't realize that some creams have something that can affect us, and we just see how it benefits us. Margarita is going around the county and testing such creams to bring awareness.
  - b. Summer Health & Resource Fair is an event where mercury testing and lead testing will be available and will be able to learn more about the mercury in creams.
4. **Suicide prevention & Services, Bayview Behavioral Health; Jasmine Tavarez:**
  - a. Oversee patients that need to be seen asap and have a facility that provides a space to have privacy.
  - b. They will find out insurance information, so the client doesn't have to worry about anything but get the help that they need.
  - c. Transportation assistance to facility and home
  - d. Triage is done as soon as the patient walks in
  - e. It's the only CSU in the South Bay
  - f. They assist with all documentation needed.
  - g. They will be having a South Bay Summer Festival

5. **Mental health Training, San Ysidro Health, Valeria Castorena:**
  - a. SYH has many pieces of training for different ages and for agencies.
  - b. The training is towards different types of mental health conditions, and it teaches in a way that the audience understands.
  - c. They are certificated classes.
  - d. Contact Valeria for more information, [valeria.castorena@syhc.org](mailto:valeria.castorena@syhc.org)
  
6. **SCRIPPS Educational Sessions, SRIPPS, Shirley Saenz:**
  - a. FREE SERVICES for families
  - b. Diabetes classes have 5 sessions.
  - c. Sessions are for patients that want to learn more about the condition that they have. Doctors sometimes don't have time to explain what or how patients can take care of themselves. The sessions are built to provide that service that the doctor couldn't provide.
  - d. English and Spanish classes and some are twice a week.
  
7. **Megahn O'Connor, National University, ASPIRE Program:**
  - a. Future teachers will learn from CVCC about social services.
  - b. 5-year Federal grant program
  - c. Will receive a stipend.
  - d. CVCC will help teachers understand programs outside of CVESD that will help families in need. They will help with food, emergency assistance, clothing, paperwork assistance, data collection, CalFresh, Medi-Cal, CalWORKs, etc.
  - e. Will work with CVESD for 4 years after they receive their credentials.
  - f. Will learn the CVCC referral system and how to assist more severe cases (mental health)
  
8. **SANDAG Projects, Paula Zamudio:**
  - a. SANDAG has many projects to do for San Diego County, they oversee the transportation system.
  - b. SANDAG is a board of Directors that comes together from each.
  - c. They look ahead to plan out better ways and more affordable ways to have transportation around SD.
  - d. SANDAG is also the one you can communicate with if you see bus routes or traffic getting congested anywhere in the city.
  - e. They are the ones that can help get San Diegans to get around the city better without problems.
  - f. Contact SANDAG if you have any ideas to make transportation routes better.
  
9. **Metro Communities Ministries:**
  - a. Help people that have been in the system have a better job or get them in the right path.
  - b. Used the ABC model: A= Any job, B= Better job skills or experience, C= Career focus on what or how they see each other.
  - c. They help them think of the future so that they don't get stuck in any job mentality. They assist them with the proper documentation or education that they need.
  - d. Success story was present, Gentleman that is still on parole was able to graduate and get his degree. He is now a counselor at the Metro Communities Ministries and helps people like him to succeed.

- e. Program is available in El Cajon only, but you can refer to them to see how they can help people.

**10. PUBLIC FORUM:**

- a. Many partners presented their information, as well as mentioned that they will be presenting in the future at the CVCC Partners meeting. The session was full of information. If you have digital flyers that you would like for CVCC to share, please email them to Rebecca @ [rebecca.enriquez@cvesd.org](mailto:rebecca.enriquez@cvesd.org)

NEXT PARTNERS MEETING AUGUST 8, 2023, you won't want to miss this meeting as it will be full of important information. If you would like to present at the partner's meeting, please email Rebecca @ [Rebecca.enriquez@cvesd.org](mailto:Rebecca.enriquez@cvesd.org)