



**Social Determinants of Health 2018 Symposium  
Community Planning Meeting  
October 19, 2017**

Bob Blum opened the planning meeting by welcoming the attendees from both the community and university. He emphasized that the Symposium is not intended to be a one-off event, but rather an event that looks for concrete steps which the audience can take and continue to build momentum. The 7<sup>th</sup> Social Determinants of Health symposium is scheduled for Monday April 30, 2018. **The goal of the Symposium this year is to identify and highlight evidence-based programs locally and nationally that improved the outcomes for children, youth, and families.** Through it all, the intent for the sessions is to be both evidence-based and practical with an eye toward what can be implemented. The outcome of the community planning meetings will be a preliminary program for the 2018 Symposium which will be published for review and comments by those participating in the planning meetings.

Then, the group broke off into 2 small group discussions to discuss the following:

- Identify what you know or believe to be effective programs that improve the health and well-being of your population of interest.
- Identify individuals who either run these programs or who evaluate program impact.

Below is a summary of both small group discussions.

**Sub-themes/proposed lenses:**

- Education
- Housing
- Mental health
- Post-traumatic slavery syndrome
- Trauma-informed care [it is well-received in community]

**Programs and Individuals:**

- Annette March Grier, Roberta's House
- Baltimore CONNECT
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters
- Black Mental Health Alliance
- Chiefs of Chaplain Services
- Cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) counseling
- Dating Matters: Dating Violence prevention program 6 schools out of the Health Department
- Education:

- Technology training in schools
- Kirwan commission
- City Schools blueprint
- Programs that enhance school engagement e.g. Houston
- Early preschool Perry Preschool Program, EduCare, Abecedarian
  - Montreal Quebec program with employment [models that become self-sustaining]
- Emergency departments [how they train for and handle trauma]
- [Emotional Emancipation Circles](#) lead by Charles Hicks [intergenerational]
- An example of a successful engagement model – a conversation that Baltimore Health Commissioner Leana Wen had with children immediately after the Baltimore Uprising in 2015
- Enoch Pratt’s Center for Technology Training Computer Camp
  - Library Program for 3 to 16 year olds
  - Computer camp 90 kids
  - 6-week program
  - Educational skills and the basics
- [FIHET - Federal Interagency Health Equity Team](#)
- [Generation Hope](#) is the organization that provides sponsorships and one on one mentoring to teen parents. At their Gala event last year, the keynote speaker was **Jhana Hayes**, Teacher of the Year named by President Barack Obama in June 2016. She was a teen parent, and her story was so inspiring ([YouTube video is here](#)).
- Holistic Life Foundation
- [Howard University colorectal cancer Program](#) that uses barbers and beauty parlors to reach residents
- Innovative strategies of engagement and outreach, i.e. barbers’ training on CRC
- Joe Jones, Center for Urban Families
- [John Powell](#) who is a leading intellectual voice on structural racism and pioneered the concept of "Opportunity Mapping" and coined the phrase "opportunity housing" (along with his many other achievements).
- Kaiser Permanente Programs:
  - [Campaign for Mental Health: Find Your Words](#) focuses on depression awareness and help.
    - The video [“Find Your Words” can be watched here](#)
    - The video/commercial [“What You Gone Do?” can be watched here](#)
  - Partnership with New Beginnings Barbershop in Baltimore.
    - <https://youtu.be/72IFSgg3RbM>
    - <https://kpproud-midatlantic.kaiserpermanente.org/baltimore-sun-features-kpmas-barbershop-initiative/>

- <https://kpproud-midatlantic.kaiserpermanente.org/kaiser-permanente-brings-health-and-wellness-resources-to-baltimore-barbershops-beauty-salons/>
  - <https://kpproud-midatlantic.kaiserpermanente.org/nbc-nightly-news-features-kpmas-barbershop-initiative/>
  - <http://baltimoretimes-online.com/news/2017/oct/13/kaiser-permanente-brings-health-and-wellness-progr/>
- Kimberly Lagree from the BCHD’s Office of Youth Violence Prevention. Kim helps coordinate trauma-informed care efforts and faith-based outreach efforts involving BCHD, BPD, community organizations and other stakeholders. Kim is an ordained minister who also works with LGBT youth efforts.
- Leon Parnell, Men and Families Center
- [Northwest Hospital Domestic Violence Program](#)
- P TECH Program at Dunbar
- Philadelphia’s experience and model for training the first responders
- S.E.L.F. – sanctuary community recovery program
- Safe Streets: 4 sites
- SafeKids: 4 schools
- Sara Hemminger, THREAD
- Sinai Hospital violence program
- Solutions-driven policy issues
  - the Health Policy Literacy (HPL) project at Morgan State University. The HPL project is a CBPR study aimed at learning what community residents know about health-related policy issues, including the social determinants of health. The project, which is funded through HPRC’s NIMHD grant, uses focus groups and surveys. It’s actually the nation’s first-ever study designed to measure “health policy literacy” among community residents. It would be interesting for a project leader at Morgan to talk about what they’ve learned so far, and how “health policy literacy” affects the ability of local community residents/leaders to tackle the social determinants of health. Dr. Anita Hawkins manages the HPL project at Morgan.
- University of Maryland Charles Pullam Committee – legislation practice and the example of 1 funded program in West Baltimore on the Health Equity
- [WombWork Productions](#)
- Youth Voice Programs: Dew More Baltimore

**Mentioned problems:**

- Police department corruption
- The budgetary/funding data presentation needs to be revised to show the dramatic figures between hiring a social worker [prevention] vs. cost of hospital visit [fix]
- The need of violence interrupters at the hospitals

## **Materials:**

- Consent Decree
- Philadelphia ACEs and “Racing ACEs,” the [CDC-Kaiser Permanente Adverse Childhood Experiences Study](#)
- The [Raising of America](#) documentary
- Housing
  - [Baltimore Housing Mobility Program](#)
  - Stephanie Deluca’s Book “Coming of Age in the Other America”
  - [Raj Chetty’s Executive Summary](#) (May 2015) “The Effects of Exposure to Better Neighborhoods on Children: New Evidence from the Moving to Opportunity Experiment”
  - [Heather Schwartz's study](#) of Montgomery County's scattered site public housing program that showed substantial gains in school performance for children living in public housing units located in low poverty areas and attending low poverty schools, cutting the achievement gap in half over a 7-year period.
  - [Doug Massey's study](#) of the Ethel Lawrence Homes in Mt. Laurel, N.J., a suburb of Camden.