

A Community of Solutions



## **Responding to Critical Community Needs**







- 1905 Annie Grogran organizes the community to help the poor and founds "Associated Charities"
- 1907 Care for TB victims
- 1918 Care for flu-victims
- 1923 Formation of the "Community Chest," forerunner of the United Way
- 1932 Administers Federal "Relief" funds
- 1943 Adoption and Foster Care Programs
- 1950s Day Care Association
- 1951 United Way founded by Family Services, YWCA, YMCA, Salvation Army
- 1960s Family, Marital and Individual Counseling
- 1965 Head Start (War on Poverty)
- 1985 Battered Women's Shelter and Rape Response Services
- 2000 Child Advocacy Center
- 2005 Safe on Seven (Multi-Agency Domestic Violence Program)
- 2015 Early Head Start



## Programs, Collaboratives, Initiatives - 2018







#### **Behavioral Health**

Trauma-focused Therapy, Pediatric Holistic Health Initiative School-based Counseling, Strengthening Families

#### **Family Safety**

Family Services Shelter, Safe on Seven, Child Advocacy Center, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Victim Advocacy, Family Violence Prevention Initiative

#### **Early Childhood Development**

Head Start, Early Head Start, Teacher Training/Coaching Project

#### **Multi-Agency Collaborative**

STRONG@HOME

#### **Community Change**

Universal Pre-K Initiative, Family Justice Center Task Force



## Vision: A Healthy and Equitable Society



#### Alliance for Strong Families and Communities

is a strategic action network of thousands of committed social sector leaders driving to achieve our vision of a healthy and equitable society through the excellence, distinction, and influence of our network.

Population Health and Well-Being

Education Success

Economic Opportunity

Safety and Security



#### A National Imperative: Joining Forces to Strengthen Human Services in America









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## A national advisory council of leaders from across the human services ecosystem serves as the initiative's expert panel



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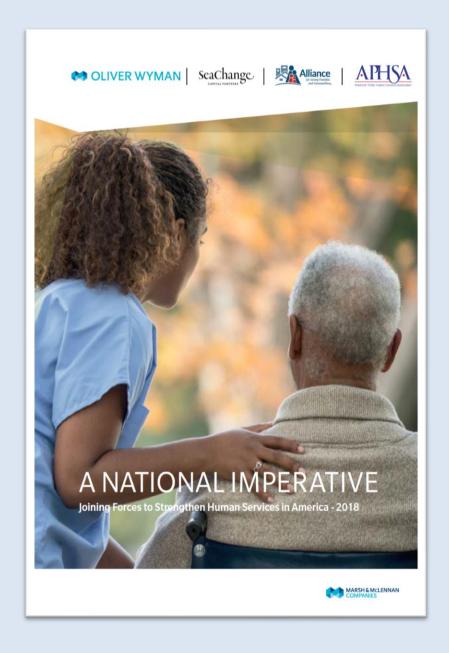
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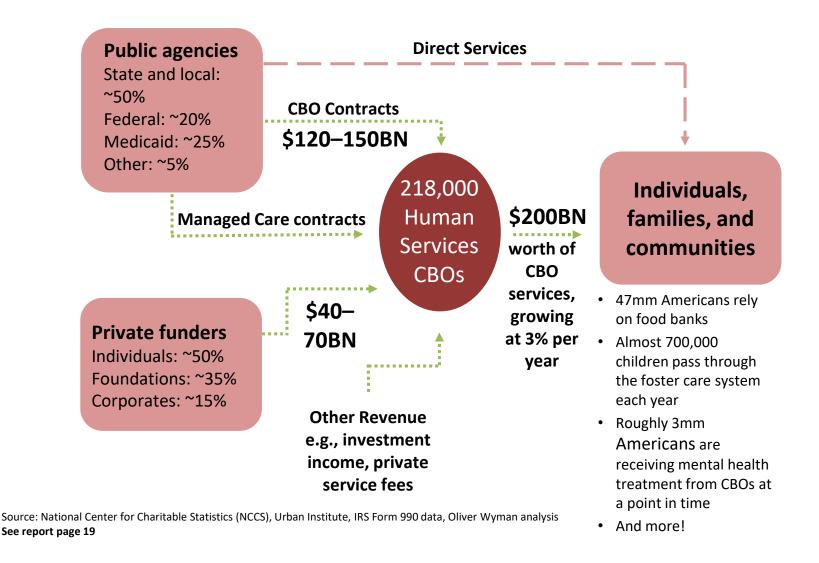
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## History of Medicine and Human Services in U.S.

- 250 Years of Divergence
- Medicine becomes a valuable commodity
   Science, Education/Credentials, Insurance, Pharmaceuticals,
   Professional Consolidation and Control
   \$3,400 Billion Industry
- Human Services have low societal status
   Serve the (deserving) Poor, Charity, Voluntary,
   Underorganized, Limited Public Funding
   \$200 Billion Industry

# Human Services CBOs are critical to our society and to our economy



## The Human Services Ecosystem

Exhibit 1: Examples of services provided by the human services ecosystem



#### HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Child welfare

Food and nutritional support

Mental and behavioral health services

Healthcare and medical services

Substance abuse prevention and treatment

Violence and abuse prevention and support

Disability services



### OPPORTUNITY

Employment services

Job training

Family and community development

Transition-to-Adulthood services

Transportation services

Early childhood education

Special education programs

Early childhood and youth development



#### SAFETY AND SECURITY

Foster care and adoption services

Criminal Justice

Legal services

Housing and homelessness services

Public safety and disaster preparedness

Environmental programs

## A Social Determinants Lens

Exhibit 5: Social determinants of population health 13



Only 20% of health outcomes are attributable to actual healthcare. 80% is attributable to environment, behavior, and socioeconomic factors – all of which are addressed by human services

Source: Data from the Bassett Healthcare Network and University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, http://www.bassett.org/education/research-institute/population-health/

# There is opportunity for CBOs to have even greater, more transformational impacts

# ... serving growing demands...

- 533% increase in heroin overdoses, 2002-2016
- 40+ years of steady decline in share of income earned by poorest 20%
- Severe depression in youth increased from 5.9% to 8.2%, 2012 – 2015 (just three years!)

## ... reducing future health care costs

- 20% of health outcomes are determined by health care access and quality
- 80% of health outcomes are driven by social determinants—housing, nutrition, education, health behaviors, etc.
- OECD countries spend 40% less on healthcare than on human services; the US spends 44% less on human services than on health care

... positioning communities to meet their full potential...

- Higher levels of health and wellbeing
- Higher productivity and employment rates
- Over time, reduced need for high cost emergency interventions

Sustainable, high-impact CBOs...

 Potential to reinvest portion of savings in "upstream" interventions to continue to drive improvements in future outcomes

# But CBOs are also severely stressed—and unlikely to realize their full potential without significant changes

1 in 8 human >40% lack Nearly half had a **30%** have services CBOs liquidity to meet negative reserves covering short-term <1 month of are technically operating margin obligations insolvent over 3 years expenses Small CBOs (<\$1M revenue) report Large CBOs (>\$10M revenue) higher rates of insolvency (14%) maintain lower cash reserves and lower margins (>1/2 with (>40% with reserves of <1 negative 3-year margins) month of expenses) **CBOs facing more financial stress CBOs facing less financial stress** include those delivering services include those delivering services pertaining to pertaining to Housing and shelter **Public safety**  Mental health Food and nutrition

Youth development

General human services

# CBOs are currently prevented from realizing their full potential by a series of roadblocks and challenges

Roadblocks to realizing the transformative potential of human services

#### Mistaken beliefs

about human services CBOs

- Building trust in the transformative potential of the human services ecosystem
- Building trust and deeper partnerships among human services stakeholders

# Ecosystem shortcomings of

the human services ecosystem

- Organizational silos
- Transitioning from providing services to delivering outcomes

#### **Financial stress**

among human services CBOs

- Constraints imposed by government contracts
- Constraints imposed by private philanthropy
- Challenging regulatory and legal environment
- Underdeveloped financial risk management

## **Capacity Limitations**

- Human capital
- Technology and data
- Capacity for innovation, adaptation, and agility

# Five imperative "North Star" initiatives to be embraced by CBOs and their partners in the human services ecosystem

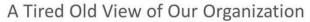
1 Commitment to outcomes

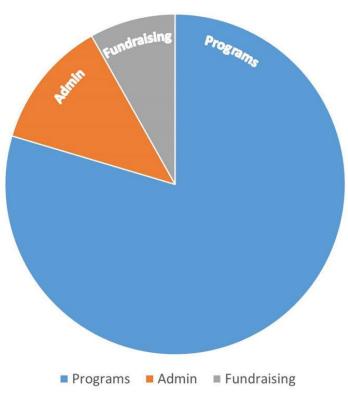
- Invest in data, IT, analytics to track outcomes over time
- Share information across geographies, programs, CBO/government siloes
- Allocate funding based on outcomes evidence
- **2** Capacity for innovation
- Invest in experimentation
- Invest in ability to measure success (and failure)
- "Fail forward"
- Operating Model 2.0—
  A Strategic Partnership
  Approach
- Pilot joint planning and population needs assessments across both CBOs and public agencies
- Create partnership-based rather than transactional procurement processes within public agencies
- Create shared service "utilities" for CBOs
- 4 Financial management policies & practices
- Invest in finance and financial risk management capabilities—make hard choices re security vs programs
- Reform public agency contracting processes to provide full, timely payment

**5** Regulatory modernization

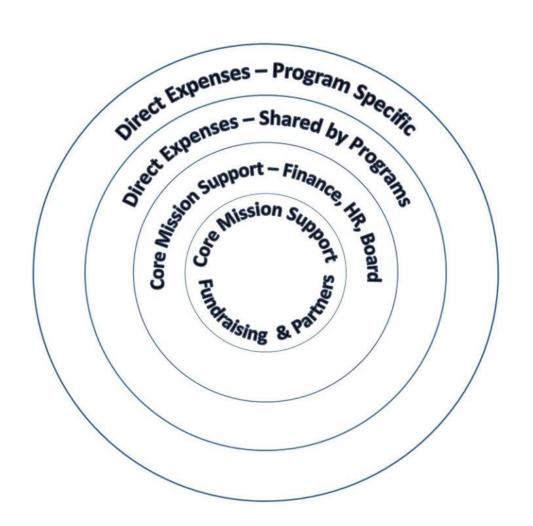
- Eliminate or simplify outdated, duplicative, overlapping regulations
- Standardize interpretation, enforcement

### Lack of Investment in Organizational Capacity





## **Building Organizational Capacity**



## **Capacity for Integration**

- Technology/Data/Measurement Gap
- Agency Financial Crises
- Domestic Violence Funding
- Family Justice Centers
- Pre-K Funding and Universal Pre-K
- Human Services Healthcare Collective





Family Services Head Start – Child Development - Family Advocates, Teachers

Family Services – Individual, Family & Child Counseling

Goodwill – Job Readiness, Vocational Coaching, Adult High School

Financial Pathways – Financial Coaching/Education, Financial Action Plan

Imprints Cares – Parents as Teachers (in-home), Parenting Workshops

**Habitat** – Homeownership, Home Maintenance/Repair

Wake Forest School of Law – Housing and Consumer Law Clinic

All – Activities, Events, Workshops



### Recommendations

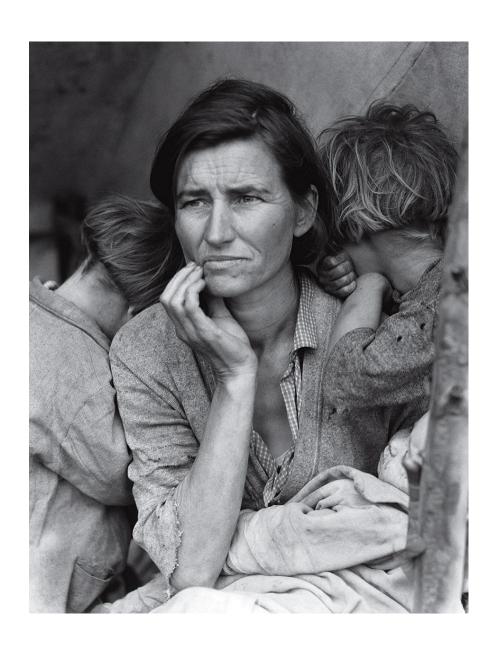
Convene an intersectoral work group, including leaders from state and local government, healthcare, philanthropy, and human services organizations, to:

- 1. Increase the capacity of HSOs to track outcomes; share information across geographies, programs, organizations, and government silos, and receive funding based on outcomes evidence.
- 2. Enable HSOs to invest in experimentation and innovation that foster cost effective models of service delivery in the context of an integrated healthcare system.
- 3. Create partnership-based rather than transactional procurement processes that integrate healthcare and human service organizations within a systemic framework.
- 4. Pilot joint planning and population needs assessments across HSOs, healthcare providers, and public agencies.

### Recommendations

Convene an intersectoral work group, including leaders from state and local government, healthcare, philanthropy, and human services organizations, to:

- 5. Explore ways in which the provision of medical services can be incorporated into existing community-based projects, initiatives, and institutions that address social determinants at a population health level.
- 6. Reform public agency contracting processes and philanthropic grantmaking to a) provide full, timely payment and b) adequately fund "core mission support" functions (i.e., administrative overhead).
- 7. Eliminate outdated, duplicative, conflicting, or overlapping regulations that impede efficient and effective service delivery.
- 8. Provide consultation to enable HSOs to improve financial management, contracting processes, and coordination/collaboration within the human services sector.



Social Injustices become embodied in the individual as disease.