



HEALTH EQUITY ZONES INITIATIVE

Community Advisory Council Meeting
November 9, 2023

Meeting Outcomes

Updates on Rural and Urban Zones

Update on the Zone for Native Communities

Review Next Steps in 2024

Reflections from Converge

Welcome!

- Name
- Pronouns
- Location
- Role, affiliations
- Check-in question: Are there any resources, events, or updates happening in your community that you would like to share with the CAC?

DOH Updates



Legislative Report



Dear Tribal Leader Letter & Zone for Native Communities Communications



Presentation to American Public Health Association Conference in Atlanta Nov. 12



Evaluation interviews completed

Health Equity Zones Updates

Update on Urban Zone in SeaTac, Tukwila, Burien

Since the nominators for the SeaTac, Tukwila, Burien Zone were notified, we've:

- ❖ Met in person
- ❖ Worked with the coalition to identify lead for initial outreach (\$15,000 procurement)
- ❖ Heard from the coalition how they would like to proceed and will be facilitating at a retreat on Nov. 29

Next steps include:

- ❖ Outreach plan
- ❖ Outcomes from retreat

Update on Rural Zone in Whatcom County

Since the nominators for the Rural Communities of Whatcom County were notified in July, we have:

- ❖ Met with the Chuckanut Health Foundation and Aging Well Whatcom
- ❖ Worked with CHF and Aging Well to bring in the other nominators for the region
- ❖ Heard from the CHF, the other nominators, and Aging Well how they would like to proceed with outreach and zone building based on their knowledge of their own community.
- ❖ Per that group: CHF will be the fiscal sponsor during the outreach phase to help distribute funds to other orgs and community members who are participating in outreach.

Next steps include:

- ❖ Creating an outreach plan that builds on work already being done to involve community in decision making
- ❖ Schedule and plan for the kickoff meeting in February

Update on Zone for Native Communities

Progress made by Tribal Subcommittee:

- ❖ Finalized definition of “zone for Native communities,” eligibility criteria, and selection criteria
- ❖ Selected members of the Review Panel, whose role is to review the submissions and select the zone for Native communities

Next steps include:

- ❖ Conducting outreach to inform community about the launch of the submission process
- ❖ Finalizing the review and selection process with the Tribal Subcommittee and Review Panel



Converge Reflections



Coming in 2024

- In-person meeting March 2024
- Please complete the form if you would like to attend in-person or virtually
- Formalizing structure of CAC – length of service, recruitment, operations

Closing Updates & Announcements

- Interested in supporting the evaluation team's planning of the March 2024 meeting? Contact Kaeli.Flannery@doh.wa.gov if you would like to participate!
- Any questions unanswered?
- Contact HealthEquityZones@doh.wa.gov with any questions.



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