### **BEST START REGION 4**

#### REGIONAL AND LOCAL NETWORK PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS







CENTRAL — LONG BEACH —

## THE REGIONAL AND LOCAL NETWORK PHILOSOPHY

Long Beach Nonprofit Partnership, dba The Nonprofit Partnership, will work in collaboration with Long Beach Forward and Providence Little Company of Mary Foundation. The work of the regional and local partners will be grounded in the core values including:

- Collaboration Transparency
- Accountability Reflection Respect
- Compassion Justice Excellence Stewardship

The experience of the regional and local network leverages the investment of the California Endowment Building Healthy Communities Initiative. While each network partner will play a different role, each is committed to an approach that includes empowering organizations and residents to improve community health overall through systemic changes fueled by adult and youth resident engagement, collaboration, resource sharing, and strategic communication about community needs and solutions. Sustainability is a critical component of the regional and local network approach to support the long-term success of the community partnerships, moving toward the intermediate goal of being positioned with the relationship, skills and capacities needed to drive a community agenda.

#### **NONPROFIT PARTNERSHIP**

Regional Network Organizations
and
Local Network Organizations

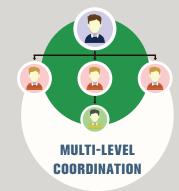
Long Beach Forward

Providence Little Company of Mary Foundation

#### **REGIONAL NETWORK ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES**



Assumes responsibility for managing the grant with First 5 LA, fulfilling all administrative requirements, managing subcontracts with all partners, and ensuring integrity to Best Start values, parameters and principles.



Coordinates and maximizes opportunities to connect the work of the community partnerships within the region to each other and to similar efforts at the local, regional, and/or countywide levels.



Assesses the capacity needs of itself and its subcontractors and providing support as needed to ensure that all parties involved are continually and proactively seeking to improve the performance of their respective roles.



Coordinates and supports opportunities to bring together the community partnerships in the region when cross-community efforts are needed in pursuit of common goals or in response to (or support of) external policy or systems change endeavors.



Facilitates regular learning activities across communities within the region as well as participates in First 5 LA learning and evaluation activities, including the Best Start Learning Agenda.



Attracts and leverages regional, countywide, state and federal resources (funding, donations, and volunteer time) and relationships to support the work of the community partnerships beyond First 5 LA funding.





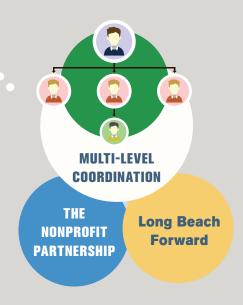


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#### LOCAL NETWORK ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES



Provides all of the logistical support needed to plan, facilitate and hold community partnership meetings, activities and events. Also monitors the local landscape to identify opportunities for collaboration and integration with similar efforts.



Incorporates the use of data, regular reflection, and learning at the local level and coordinates with the regional network grantee to support regional learning. Also participates in First 5 LA learning and evaluation activities, including the Best Start Learning Agenda.



Models effective practices, provides real-time coaching and arranges for targeted technical assistance as needed to support individual and collective abilities to influence policies and systems that impact children and families in their community.



Supports the development and implementation of communications strategies that build the partnerships' brand and visibility regionally and locally.



**PROJECTS** 

Supports the ongoing planning, implementation, and reflection of projects identified by the community partnership to achieve the desired community change results.



Supports the development and implementation of strategies that engage residents, stakeholders, and network partners around community priorities and activities that lead to systemic changes in the community.



Attracts and leverages local resources (funding, donations, volunteer time) and relationships to support the work of the community partnerships beyond First 5 LA funding.









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#### ABOUT THE REGIONAL AND LOCAL NETWORK PARTNERS



The Nonprofit Partnership (TNP) has supported local organizations and individuals for 25 years in learning, growing and making a greater impact on the young children and their families in the greater Long Beach region. Since 1993, TNP has provided support to more than 400 nonprofit organizations each year by helping to build their skills, strengthen their foundations, and enhance their ability to better serve their communities. TNP serves community organizations in more than 35 cities across Southern California with a focus on Long Beach, the South Bay and the Gateway Cities. Through its many trainings and educational offerings, in addition to customized support services, TNP has built trust through consistent and fair work delivered with integrity. The organization's mission is to build the capacity of nonprofits so they can make positive change in their communities. TNP works closely with local and regional funders to support their communities of grantees, to provide capacity building, growth opportunities, and guidance; and to act as a thought partner, and connect organizations to their resources. By fulfilling its role as capacity builder and thought partner, TNP contributes to the longevity of organizations, their impact and, in turn, the success of the children in the community.



Long Beach Forward (LBF), formerly Building Healthy Communities: Long Beach Hub (BHCLB), has significant experience working in partnership with community parents, residents, and groups in culturally competent ways that increase the capacity of community partners to advocate for the changes they want to see in their community. Created by The California Endowment in 2010, LBF has facilitated several collaborative efforts focused in Central and West Long Beach. The experience in leading the residents and community stakeholders to develop a community-driven action plan has given LBF a highly regarded reputation in the community as a trusted source of support and empowerment for community identified needs. LBF facilitates leadership trainings for residents and organizational partners and currently guides or participates in 15 collaborative groups. LBF helps connect grantees of the initiative and other community stakeholders to trainings and technical assistance provided through The California Endowment and serves as a communication hub for stakeholders to share information. LBF also supports organizations and collaborative groups with their external communications — working with media outlets to raise the profile of community issues and solutions, documenting key lessons learned, and guiding evaluation of the initiative locally.



Providence Little Company of Mary Foundation (Providence) operates acute care hospitals with more than 100-years of combined service to the South Bay and Centinela Valley areas of Los Angeles County. Providence is the public face of both hospitals in underserved communities in the South Bay, bringing the organization's mission to life. Providence has been very successful in implementing health and social programs in Wilmington through agency programs as well as projects through the Best Start initiative. Providence attributes success to the collaborative relationships that have been established and strengthened over the past 20 years with organizations, community residents, and informal groups. Since November 2015, Providence has led the Building Stronger Families project in Wilmington. The agency's experience in leading the Building Stronger Families work allowed them to see first-hand the tremendous strengths and assets that exist within the Wilmington community – the greatest of which are the residents themselves.