



Thursday February 16, 2023 5:15 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Citywide Senior Center (Ballroom) 806 Mass Ave Cambridge

Summary of Conversation Topics

- Cambridge Health Alliance Community Behavioral Health Center
- Cambridge Youth Council Mental Health Campaign

Chair: Mayor Siddiqui

Members: Tina Alu, Christine Elow, Fred Fantini, ~~Wendy Georgan, Bob Gittens, Michelle Godfrey,~~
Kim Goldstein, Victoria Greer, Liz Hill, Tabithlee Howard, Caroline Hunter, ~~Mike Johnston,~~ David
Kale, Elijah Lee-Robinson, ~~Michelle Lower,~~ Alanna Mallon, Maria McCauley, Derrick Neal, Geeta
Pradhan, ~~Bridget Rodriguez,~~ Ellen Semonoff, Tagesech Wabeto, Elaine Wen

Executive Director: Nancy Tauber

Find It Manager: Andrew Liedtka

CYC Members: Rehaan Anjaria, Mekeyas Mekuria, Eliana Mamo, Labonna Dey, Sophia Salehi,
Salma Boukouj, Mohammad Jihad

Guests: Jen Cabezas, Nick DeSousa,
Notetaker CYC Coordinator: Jared Bellot
Emilia and Urbana Tashnia Nowshin Ashley

5:30

Welcome and Introductions

Family Policy Council Business

- Adoption of Minutes (February 16, 2023)
 - Motion by Vice Mayor Mallon, Seconded by Ellen Semonoff
 - Adopted unanimously
- Public Comment
- Announcements
 - The Family Policy Council is the Advisory Council for The Center for Families, the Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grantee.
 - CYC is going to Washington DC for the National League of Cities with City Councillors and City Staff
 - 1st Cambridge Social Work Summit is on March 20th. Over 85 social workers from the school department, city, and community partners are expected. It is an opportunity to gather, connect, eat, and celebrate - March is social work appreciation month

- Vice Mayor and Mayor hosting Trivia Night next Wednesday 3/22 at Lamplighter Brewing
- Mayor Cambridge Community Iftar 3/29, 6:00pm @ King Open
- CBHC Update: If you have there refer's permission, you can call the CBHC and they will check in with the person in need - CBHC crisis line is not just for crisis - they are available to talk through any areas of need
- Curious George Lecture 4/27 @ Main Public Library Branch with author Stuart Gibbs

Presentations and Discussions

Navigating Cambridge Resources Training Using the Cambridge Cradle to Career Ecosystem Map

Presenters: Andrew Liedtka, Jen Cabezas, Nancy Tauber

Time: 5:54

Introduction and overview of the training

Outcomes

1. Gain a basic understanding of how to find and access the resources and services in Cambridge
2. Learn how to find what is available rather than memorize everything
3. Be able to identify potential partners
4. Better advocate for the people you serve
5. Network and make connections with other providers
6. Create a more tight knit community and more effectively serve the people of Cambridge by using the map and Find It.

Time: 5:56pm


Small Group Activity

Look at the [Cambridge Cradle to Career Ecosystem Map](#) and answer the following questions

- Find where you are on the map.
 - You might be in more than one place on the map
- Guess how many programs are on the map?
- What are your first reactions when you see this map? What stands out for you?
- What categories have many programs? What categories have fewer options?

Time: 6:08pm


Cambridge Cradle to Career Ecosystem Map Tutorial and Overview

 **Navigating Cambridge Resources Training**

Insert comments and questions

Time: 6:36

Scavenger Hunt reviewing how to use the [Cambridge Cradle to Career Ecosystem Map](#)

 **3-16-23 FPC Meeting Map Worksheets**

Time: 6:51

Discussion Questions -

- How was navigating the map? What was easy? What was hard?
 - It can feel hard to navigate with all of the various programs and providers listed (helpful if you are navigating on your own computer)
 - Expected things to narrow more than they did when age range filters were applied (direct to Find It Cambridge)
- Any feedback?
 - Having things in one central space relieves stress and also relieves pressure from staff - no need to know all things, can use the resource to help build your knowledge
 - Some spaces might benefit from de-categorizations (i.e. basic needs/financial assistance programs might benefit from being in Ed space)
 - Interesting how much your perspective and where you are makes a difference (even when naming the categories)
 - Rather than setting the map now - let these trainings and feedback inform the continued evolution of the map
- Who else might benefit from this training? Are there any changes we should make to this training?
 - Making sure everyone on the map knows they are on the map
 - Can see use for this on our intranet (CHA - assisting staff in making connections) - need to have a inservice with CHA team, will be able to see things from a different purview
 - Social workers will benefit deeply from this tool

Time: 7:11

Closing Question - What word/phrase describes what you think about the ecosystem map now that you have learned more about it?

- Excited
- Connecters (most helpful)
- Inspired
- So many resources
- Amazed
- Spreadsheet
- Visual
- Eager (to find all the resources)
- Curious (some haven't heard of)
- Work together (way to work together more)
- Appreciative of the work done to create this
- Connected and Difficult eyesight
- Helpful
- Fascinated
- Impressed
- Comprehensive
- Exciting
- Awesome

- Perspective
- Possibility of collaboration
- Hopeful
- Collaboration
- Impressed
- Collaboration
- Impressed seeing this all in one place

Next meeting is May 4th at 344 Broadway 2nd floor conference room. Nancy will send out the links and information about the training tomorrow or early next week.

Time: 7:14

Adjourn