



North Hartford Ascend Pipeline

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Incentive

Agenda

- Welcome
- Ascend Partner Employment Opportunities & Events
- Ascend Overview
- Discussion Overview
- Next Steps and Closing Remarks

Employment Opportunities

Program Coordinator, North Hartford Ascend Pipeline

[Career Site - Self Service \(adp.com\)](#)

Administrative Assistant 2 (Bilingual), Healthy Homes Program Connecticut Children's

<https://recruiting.adp.com/srccar/public/RTI.home?d=External&c=1122041#/>

VISTA Family Engagement Early Literacy Ambassador, United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut

<https://unitedwayinc.org/about-us/careers/>

VISTA Dolly Parton Book Subscription Program Coordinator, United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut

<https://unitedwayinc.org/about-us/careers/>

VISTA Volunteer Reader Coordinator, United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut

<https://unitedwayinc.org/about-us/careers/>

Career Navigator Systems Coordinator, Capital Workforce Partners

<https://capital-workforce-partners-cwp.careerplug.com/jobs/2038810/apps/new>

Community Events



CITY OF HARTFORD 3RD ANNUAL

JUNETEENTH

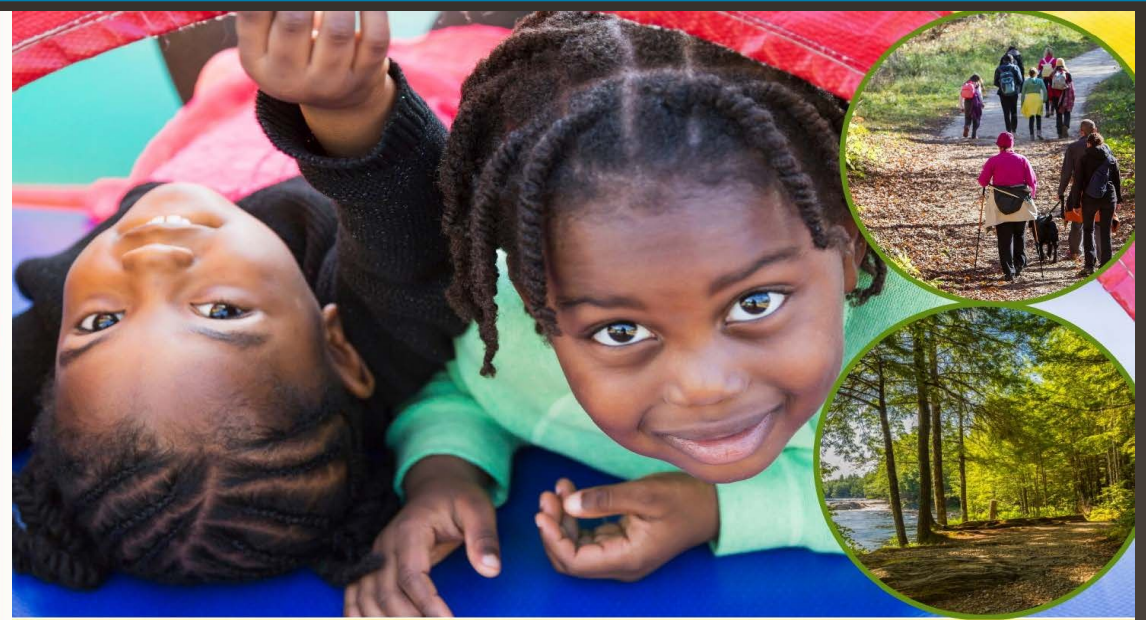
Celebration in Partnership with

The **Amistad** Center
for **Art & Culture**
AT THE WADSWORTH ATHENEUM MUSEUM OF ART



SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 18, 2023 • 1PM - 6PM
BLACK LIVES MATTER MURAL
BUSHNELL PARK, HARTFORD, CT



BE ACTIVE, BE HEALTHY!

Family Fun

Trail walk

Hula Hoop

Jenga

June 16th
10 Am - 1 Pm
Keney Park

Jump Rope

Double Dutch

Ridgefield St Entrance
(Across from Martin Luther King School)

Music

For more information please contact:
Hartford Healthy Family Initiative
860-757-4800

Scan the Barcode to RSVP



JUNE 23RD | DAY 1 OF 2 DAY EVENT

Juneteenth: Celebration of the Negro Leagues

Honoring Johnny "Schoolboy" Taylor



10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

For the Love of the Game: Celebrating the Legacy of Johnny "SchoolBoy" Taylor
Special Theatrical Presentation by Actup Theater Group

Fireside Chat with:

Sean Gibson

*Executive Director, Josh Gibson Foundation
Great Grandson of Josh Gibson*



Lynette Grande

Daughter of Johnny "Schoolboy" Taylor



Location: Boys & Girls Club of Hartford, South End Campus

4:00 PM-6:30 PM: "Schoolboy" Game Day Block Party

Special Live Radio Broadcast by Dj Buck & Hot 93.7, Hosted By Big Regg w/ Music By DJ WREXX

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Live Performances, Activities for Children, & Exhibits

Ticket to Game Required to Enter Stadium

7:10 PM: Hartford Schoolboys Game

DUNKIN' PARK



2023

HARTFORD YARD GOATS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLY TODAY!

DEADLINE: JUNE 19, 2023



KENY PARK TRAIL WALK SERIES

- June 16th - 10:00am - Ridgefield St Entrance
- July 28th - 5:30pm - 392 Tower Ave.
- August 25th - 5:30pm - Golf Course Parking Lot
- September 22nd - 5:30pm - 183 Windsor Ave.

Led by a Keny Park guide and accompanied by Community Health Workers and other Health Professionals from the University of Connecticut.



This event made possible with funding from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

HOST



9AM - 2PM

KENY PARK JEWEL OF THE CITY

HEALTH, WELLNESS & SAFETY EVENT

SATURDAY - JULY 8 2023

9AM — Gratitude Walkers (Community Walk of Park Trails)

10AM-2PM — Health Wellness Screening
10:30am-12:30pm — Double Dutch with (Troop 10036)

11am-2pm — Basketball Clinic
12 Noon — LUNCH TIME
1:30pm — Bike Giveaway w/park passport
All Other Events Run All Day

GIVEAWAYS
 Bikes • Books • Food
 Gift Cards and More

WORKSHOPS
 Arts & Crafts
 Basketball
 Double Dutch
 Yoga

HEALTH & WELLNESS
 Blood Pressure Screening
 Diabetic Screening

ENTERTAINMENT
 Live DJ
 Puppet Show
 & Story Telling

FREE FOOD & GIVEAWAYS (BIKES, GIFT CARDS & MORE)

FREE PARKING: GREENFIELD ST OR RIDGEFIELD ST

Car Seat Clinic

Saturday's

5/20/23, 7/15/23, 9/16/23, 10/21/23

8:30a.m. — 11:30 a.m.

Come and get your car seat checked!

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Offered in cooperation with the

Joan C. Dauber Food Pantry Diaper Day in the parking lot of

Mount Sinai, 679 Tower Ave., Hartford, Conn.

Pre-registration saves waiting time! Make an appointment by emailing esagan@connecticutchildrens.org or calling (860) 837-5319


Saint Francis Hospital
Trinity Health

Low Income Public Housing for Seniors

If you or anyone in your family is a person with disabilities and you require an accommodation in the Housing Authority's policy or procedures to fully utilize our programs and services, please contact the Housing Authority at 860-723-8493 (TRS 711 or 800-842-9710).

How to apply

- Online at <https://hhawl.org>
- Pick up an application at 180 John D. Wardlaw Way, Hartford, CT 06106
- Download and print a paper application at <https://hhawl.org>



Vivienda Publica de Bajos Ingresos para Personas Mayores

Si usted o alguien de su familia es una persona con discapacidades y necesita un alojamiento en la poliza o procedimientos de la Autoridad de Vivienda para utilizar plenamente nuestros programas y servicios, comuníquese con la Autoridad de Vivienda al 860-723-8493 (TRS 711 o 800-842-9710)

La Autoridad de Vivienda de la Ciudad de Hartford está aceptando aplicaciones para el Programa de Vivienda Pública de Bajos Ingresos para *personas/familias (55+)* que están buscando un estudio o un apartamento de un cuarto. Si tiene preguntas llámenos al 860-723-8493.

Puedes aplicar

- En línea en <https://hhawl.org>
- Recoger un formulario en papel al 180 John D. Wardlaw Way, Hartford, CT 06106
- Descargando e imprimiendo una aplicación en papel en <https://hhawl.org>

THIS IS NOT A
PRE-APPLICATION
FOR SECTION 8



ESTO NO ES UNA
PRESOLICITUD
PARA LA SECCIÓN 8



DOES YOUR CHILD SQUINT OR HAVE A HARD TIME SEEING?

Vision To Learn will be visiting HPL to provide:
FREE eye exams and **FREE** eyeglasses (if needed)

Dwight Branch 7 New Park Ave (860) 695-7460 Friday, June 23 Wednesday, August 2	Albany Branch 1250 Albany Ave (860) 695-7380 Monday, June 26 Friday, August 25	Barbour Branch 261 Barbour Street (860) 695-7400 Wednesday, August 9 Monday, August 21
Camp Field Branch 30 Campfield Ave (860) 695-7440 Monday, July 31 Monday, August 7	Downtown Branch 500 Main Street (860) 874-2432 Friday, August 11 Friday, August 18	Park Street Branch 603 Park Street (860) 695-7500 Friday, August 4 Monday, August 14
	Ropkins Branch 1750 Main Street (860) 695-7520 Wednesday, August 16 Wednesday, August 23	

Children ages 5 to 18 are eligible.
No insurance needed.

Scan the QR code or contact your local
branch library to book your appointment!
For more information, visit visiontolearn.org

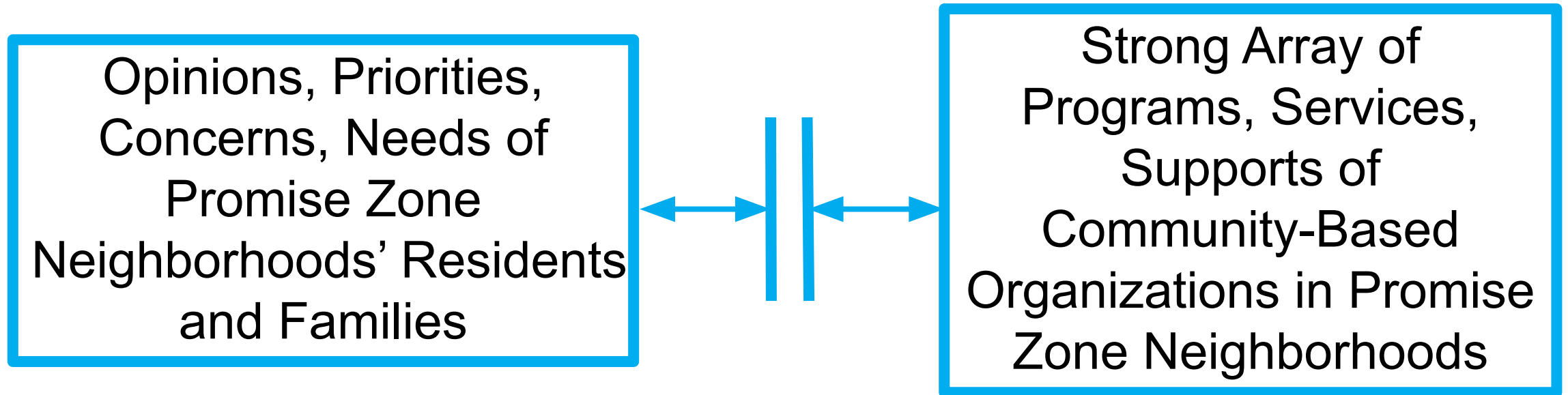


North Hartford Ascend Pipeline

Purpose

To collaboratively build an integrated and coordinated pipeline of services and supports that helps children and families reach their full potential.

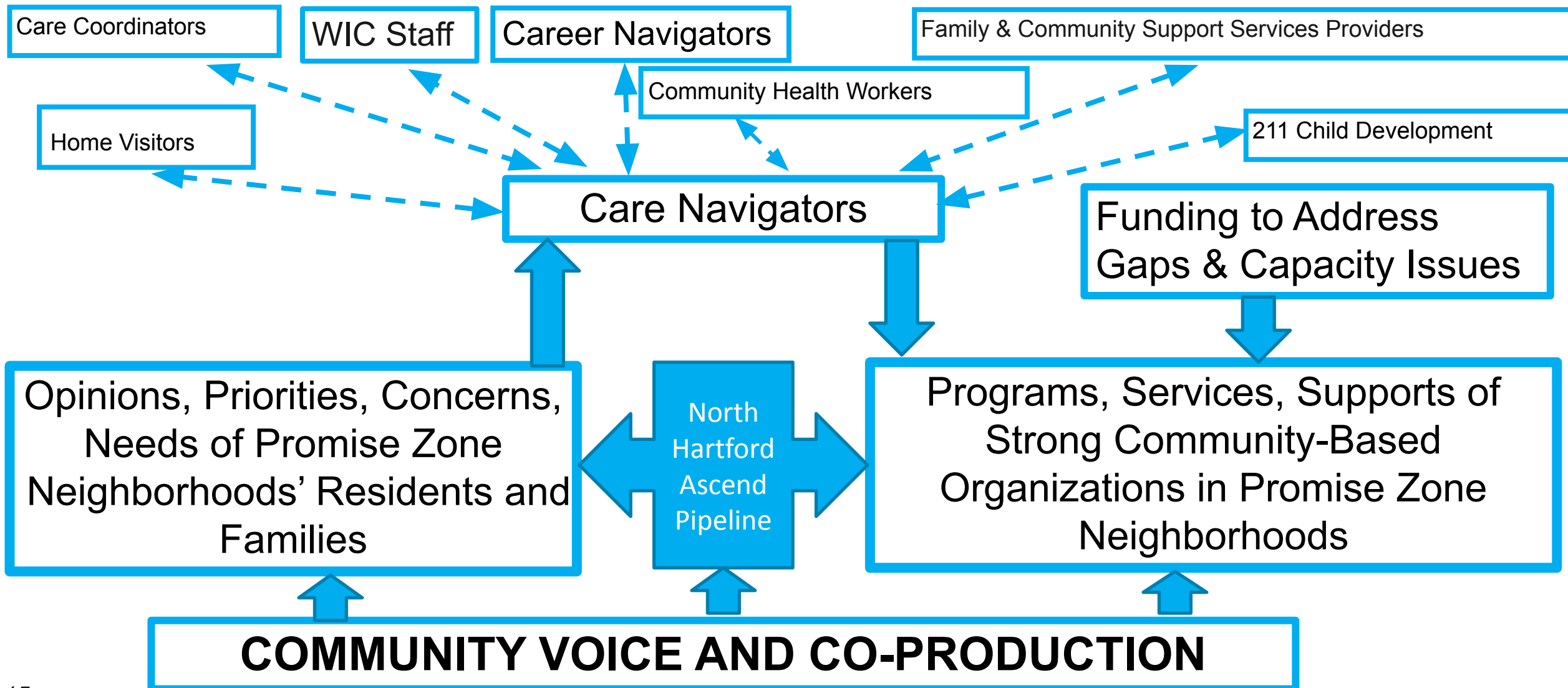
Current State



Ideal State-Ascend System Building



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U.S. DOE Promise Neighborhood Program Results

Students. . . .

Enter kindergarten ready to succeed in school.

Are proficient in Math and English Language Arts.

Successfully transition from middle to high school.

Graduate from high school.

Obtain post-secondary degrees, certifications, or credentials.

Are supported by families and communities in their learning.

Are healthy.

Feel safe at school and in the community.

Live in stable communities.

Have access to 21st century learning tools.

Why are we here today?

To build and create an outreach and engagement plan that highlights the experiences and voices of residents in the Promise Neighborhoods.

Discussion Guidelines

- Everyone deserves to be heard.
 - Online: Turn your camera on (we would love to see you), and keep your mic muted unless you're speaking.
 - Don't be afraid to use the chat!
- Listen and respond respectfully.
- Let's stay on topic— time is limited, so let's value each other's time.
- Successful dialogue is the responsibility of all participants.

Community Engagement

Year 2 Main Objectives

- Residents are aware of opportunities to participate in Ascend activities and have a positive, meaningful experience when they do so.
- Residents and other stakeholders have a regular opportunity to discuss and provide input on Ascend-related topics and hear updates on initiative progress.
- Ensure that residents are supported and engaged in governance structure.

What additional opportunities should residents have to provide input and feedback on Ascend?

Community Engagement

Objective 1: Residents are aware of opportunities to participate in Ascend activities and have a positive, meaningful experience when they do so.

- Skills building workshops for community and governance members
- Engage and collaborate with community groups that are underrepresented in Ascend work
- Ensure compensation process continues to serve as a meaningful incentive
- Increase visibility of Ascend/calls-to-action at events

How can we continue to create meaningful experiences for resident participants?

How can we engage the community outside of Community Conversations?

Community Engagement

Objective 2: Residents and other stakeholders have a regular opportunity to discuss and provide input on Ascend-related topics and hear updates on initiative progress.

- Host Community Conversations
- Increase resident participation in Community Conversations

What do you think will bring more residents to Community Conversations?

How can Community Conversations increase understanding of Ascend?

How can Community Conversations provide additional opportunities for input?

Community Engagement

Objective 3: Ensure that residents are supported and engaged in governance structure.

- Support Resident & Community Advisory Group
- Support Community & Family Engagement Workgroup
- Recruit underrepresented groups (ex: age, ethnicity, etc.) to participate in Year 2 governance
- Recruit Year 3 Governance Community Representatives



Year 2 Governance Framework



Current Community Representatives

Advocacy Team: Chief Charles Teale & Lawrence Williams

Community & Family Engagement: Mckenzie Hudson, Amanda Feliciano,

Stephan Palmer & Sylvester Turner Jr.

Data & Evaluation: Tyler Napper

Family Navigation: Minerva Newman & Patricia Dixon

Leadership Team: Pastor Terry Stringer

Partner Engagement: Aleena Durant, Kimberly Harris-Eaton & Tyasha Adams

Current Community Representatives

Resident & Community Advisory Group:

AF STEM parent - Tanisha “Miracle” Branford

Clay Arsenal NRZ- Delicia “Lisa” Arnold

Northeast NRZ - Chief Charles Teale, Darlene Childs & Helen Nixon

PTO parent - Lai Ping Wong

Upper Albany NRZ - Yackecha Dickenson & Lawrence Williams

SGC parents and FACES reps - T’challa Williams & Jennifer Wilder

Roles and Responsibilities

- Participate in monthly meetings.
- Participate in daylong retreats (twice per year).
- Complete required meeting preparation and follow-up.
- Serve as an official NHAP ambassador.
- Serve as a connection between Ascend and the community.
- Promote all NHAP events and services.
- Provide input on the special needs, interests, and opportunities for residents and families in North Hartford.
- Represent Ascend at other formal and informal convenings, gatherings, and meetings.

Community Representatives - Next Steps



August

Community Rep. Application will launch

September

Application deadline

Representatives will be selected

October

Orientation and onboarding



What are your expectations of a Community Representative?

Is there anything that you think we should ask in the

application?

Discussion Questions

- Ways to engage the community outside the community conversations?
- What would you like to see to help spread the word on the who and what of Ascend?
- What experiences are expected for community rep?
- How would you like the community rep to show up in your community?

Thank You!

- **Upcoming meeting: Wednesday, August 23 at 6pm**
- Are you interested in facilitating or taking notes during future Community Conversation breakout groups? Contact Ally McGinty at amcginty@unitedwayinc.org to sign up for the Facilitating and Note-taking Workshop.
- An incentive is available to Hartford community members participating in this meeting. The link is posted in the chat and will be sent out via email. Contact Ally McGinty at amcginty@unitedwayinc.org with any questions.
- Please take the Post Meeting Survey to share your thoughts and feedback. The link is posted in the chat and will be sent out via email.
- Any feedback and or questions, contact nhap@connecticutchildrens.org