## NUTS AND BOLTS OF COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION

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## What is Community Mobilization?

An empowering process through which community individuals, groups, and organizations plan, carry out, and evaluate activities on a participatory and sustained basis to achieve an agreed upon goal, either on their own initiative or stimulated by others.



## **Planning for Community Mobilization\***

- Conducting community assessments
- Involving the right people
- Selecting a strong leader
- Defining goals and strategies
- Developing ways to regularly measure progress
- Identifying funding and other resources

\*CDC Community Mobilization Guide: http://www.cdc.gov/stopsyphilis/toolkit/Community/CommunityGuide.pdf

## **Partnerships and collaborations**

 Collaborating with community leaders is essential to securing long-term support.

- Who are the key stakeholders in your community?
- Who could become an excellent partner?
  - What qualities /expertise /resources does this partner need to have?

## **Types of community mobilization**

- Voter registration
- Policy campaigns
- Union organizing

- School, parents, church or social groups
- Radio, newspaper, television or internet broadcast
- Coalitions

## 12 Ways to Engage

- **1. Collaborate** with other organizations and/or individuals to host events
- 2. Plan briefings
- **3. Call your local representatives** to advocate for your specific issues host phone-a-thons
- 4. Organize health fairs and educational events focusing on health wellness
- **5.** Coordinate **advocacy days** at the local and state levels
- 6. Maintain constant communication with partners

- **7.** Host **community fundraisers** to help support your efforts
- 8. Create a coalition
- **9.** Plan an **information session** for providers
- **10.** Provide tool kits, resources, and direction
- 11. Conduct assessments
- 12. Social media campaigns

# Saludable Saludable

- Physical activity & nutrition
  education initiative (SER = Salud Es
  Responsabilidad / Health is
  Responsibility)
- Intergenerational
- Physical education classes/clinics
- Nutrition education
- Collaborations with institutions
- Capacity building





#### **Mission Statement**

**LUCES** is a state-wide coalition of Latino HIV/AIDS service organizations that exists to develop public policy, serve as an advocate for a Latino HIV/AIDS agenda, and provide culturally competent AIDS education to the Latino community.

#### **Objectives**

- Influence and help develop HIV/AIDS public policy for the Latino community.
- Promote HIV/AIDS public awareness.
- Be a source of support for member agencies and other organizations providing HIV/AIDS services to the Latino community.



#### **Purpose:**

- A national social marketing campaign implemented on October 15 to encourage HIV/AIDS awareness and testing in the Latino community
- A capacity building program to assist service providers in using social marketing to increase access to HIV prevention resources for Latinos at risk for HIV/AIDS.

#### **Core** Activities

- National Organizing Committee
- Resource Development & Dissemination
- Media Activities
- Capacity Building Assistance

### **Evaluating community mobilization efforts**

**Evaluation** is the use of social research methods to systematically investigate effectiveness.

- Street Intercepts
- Online survey for review of events
- Media Analyses
- Focus groups
- Planning Products/Services Provided
- Community Actions
- Community Changes
- Resources Generated

## Thank You!

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