

# *Power of We Consortium*

Meeting Agenda

October 21, 2011

1:30-3:30

Foster Community Center

**I. Welcome, introductions, announcements** (10 minutes)

## **II. Action Items**

**A. Ad Hoc Committee on *Power of We Consortium* financial campaign** (10 minutes)

In the fall of 2010, the *Power of We Consortium* membership discussed our changing financial environment and the need to consider a more sustainable plan to support the infrastructure of the Consortium. At its October, 2010 meeting, Consortium members voted to initiate a voluntary member-supported financial contribution campaign. Brad Patterson will lead a conversation regarding the outcome of that campaign. Member volunteers possessing some experience with campaigns will be asked to serve on an ad hoc committee to explore a format for, and provide leadership to, the 2011 campaign.

**B. Ad Hoc Nominations Committee/Appointment and Charge** (5 minutes)

The Consortium traditionally appoints an ad hoc committee to nominate community representatives, community partners, and a new co-chair for the upcoming year.

Consortium members will be invited to serve on the 2012 Ad Hoc Nominating Committee and will receive their charge. [See Attachment A](#)

**III. Dialogue for Collective Impact** (90 minutes)

### **Resilient Communities:**

A resilient community is defined as “one that anticipates problems, opportunities, and potentials for surprises; reduces vulnerabilities related to development paths, socioeconomic conditions, and sensitivities to possible threats; responds effectively, fairly, and legitimately in the event of an emergency; and recovers readily better, safer, and fairer” (*Wilbanks, Thomas J. 2008. Enhancing the Resilience of Communities to Natural and Other Hazards: What We Know and What We Can Do. Natural Hazards Observer. May 2008*)

What are the critical roles and assets of the vulnerable persons that reside in our community?

What are the financial and human costs for ignoring or under-serving these persons?

How can we collaborate as a community to be more resilient?

What can we, and should we, be doing?

What policies should be addressed to assure we become a more resilient community?

Three panelists will address these questions by sharing their knowledge and expertise serving physically, emotionally, and mentally challenged persons, and formerly incarcerated persons in our community:

- 1) **Greta Wu**, Senior VP of Human Services for Peckham, Inc.
- 2) **Matt Wojack**, System of Care Project Director, CEI Community Mental Health
- 3) **Renee Canady**, Deputy Health Officer, Ingham County Health Department

Following panel presentations, PWC participants will be invited to engage in facilitated dialogue.