



Health and Hunger Task Force

Meeting Notes

Friday, June 12th, 2026 | 10:00am-11:00pm | Zoom

Meeting Recording:

- **Link:** [HHTF - June 12th](#)
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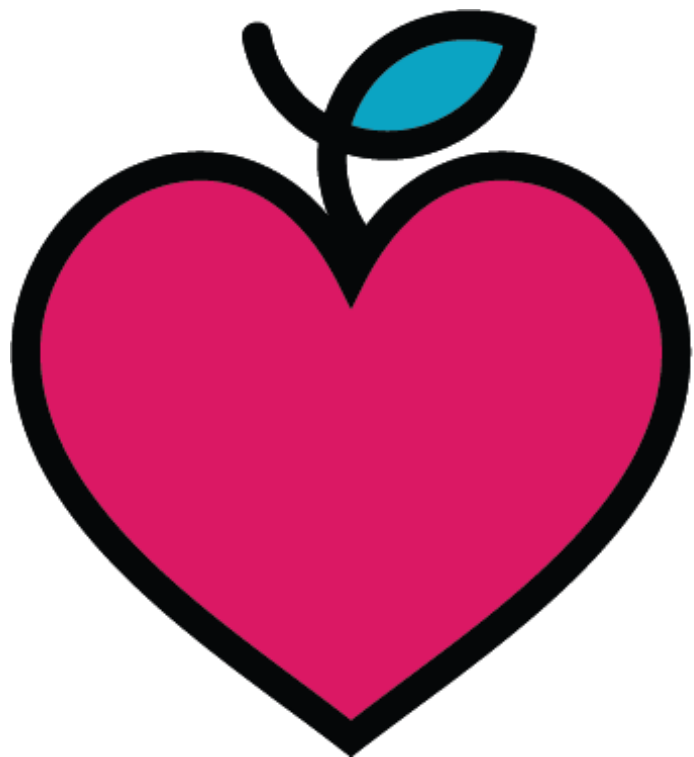
- **Welcome & Opening Remarks:** Maureen Hawkins, Second Harvest Food Bank, Director of Health & Hunger Strategies
 - Maureen welcomed participants and reviewed the agenda, which included updates on Common Metrics system survey results, Data-sharing process, Beacon platform updates, progress on the Closed-Loop Referral Workgroup and discussion around increase food needs and current community challenges.
- **Common Metrics System Survey Results:** Angela Corona, Second Harvest Food Bank, Health Systems Manager
 - Angela provided an overview of the Health & Hunger Task Force Common Metrics System Survey, which was developed to better understand systems change occurring across the community. The survey focused on areas including policies, practices, and resource flows.
 - **Survey Participation & Purpose:**
 - The first annual system survey was launched earlier this year following discussions during February and April Task Force meetings.
 - Four organizations participated in the initial survey.
 - While participation was lower than expected, the Common Metrics Working Group determined that the results were still valuable as a baseline for future years.
 - The survey will continue annually to identify trends and measure changes over time.
 - **Survey Structure:**
 - The survey included two components:
 - Anonymous System Trends Survey: Captured broad trends related to systems change
 - Identifiable Qualitative Survey: Allowed organizations to provide examples and context regarding changes occurring within their organizations and across the community
 - **Key Findings from System Survey:** The full Systems Survey 2025 Report can be found [here](#). The findings below represent an initial snapshot of system conditions based on responses from four organizations. While the small sample size limits broad conclusions, these results are still meaningful. They provide a look at how system changes are impacting some partners and illustrate the type of insights this survey is designed to capture over time. As

participation grows year over year, these data will become increasingly powerful for identifying patterns, shifts, and opportunities for coordinated action.

- **Key findings regarding programming and services included:**
 - Most reported services experienced no significant impact in 2025.
 - Some organizations reported adding services, including:
 - Maternal health services
 - Mental health services
 - General food distribution services
 - General food distribution increased in frequency and locations; however, funding decreases were also reported.
 - Additional exploration is needed to understand how organizations are expanding services while experiencing funding challenges.
- **Cross-Sector Partnerships**
 - The survey assessed partnership strength across various sectors
 - Stronger relationships were reported within:
 - Healthcare
 - Food and nutrition sector
 - Low levels of connection were identified within:
 - Transportation
 - Employment/workforce development
 - Angela noted that transportation stood out as an area for further exploration, especially as transportation data has been identified as a potential addition to Beacon. Strengthening relationships with transportation partners may help better understand barriers and opportunities.
- **Data Sharing & Mental Models**
 - The survey explored perceptions around organizational data sharing.
 - Findings included organizations expressing varying levels of comfort with data sharing with some concerns including.
 - Lack of shared understanding about what data should be collected.
 - Misunderstanding of privacy laws, including HIPAA and protected health information (PHI).
 - Data being misinterpreted.
 - Angela emphasized that understanding these perspectives is important because successful data-sharing efforts require addressing organizational concerns, not just creating technical processes.
- **Qualitative Examples of Systems Change Shared**
 - Nemours Children's Health implemented screening for health-related social needs and social determinants of health among patients.
 - Seminole County Community Health shared updates regarding Seminole County's transition from traditional bus routes to the SCOUT microtransit program.

- Pantry Planters shared efforts to connect with healthcare partners to expand the availability of Pantry Planters' resources to address food insecurity.
- **Common Metrics Next Phase: Program & Community Need Indicators**
 - With the goal of combining population-level indicators, systems indicators, and program/community need indicators to create a broader understanding of community conditions, Angela introduced the next phase of Common Metrics focused on understanding:
 - Community needs
 - Available resources
 - Service gaps
 - Demand for services
 - Next Steps for this work include:
 - Building out agreement structure
 - Outlining processes and workflows for data sharing
 - Identifying organizations that want to share data
- **Beacon Platform Updates**
 - Angela provided updates on Beacon, formerly known as Ladder.
 - Beacon will serve as an organizational-facing data-sharing platform designed to help organizations:
 - Share information collaboratively.
 - Understand community needs.
 - Identify service gaps.
 - Make data-informed decisions.
 - Examples of potential shared data include:
 - Service locations
 - Food pantry locations
 - Healthcare resources
 - Transportation resources
 - Community need indicators
 - Beacon is different from neighbor-facing resource directories such as FindHelp. Beacon is intended for organizational insights and will not provide real-time resource availability updates.
 - **Beacon Training Opportunities**
 - 101 Training Series will cover
 - Overview of Beacon
 - Creating an account
 - Basic platform functionality
 - Third Thursday of every 2 months (7/16 (virtual), 9/17 (virtual), 10/15 (In-person))
 - Email Angela to be added to the invitation at ACorona@feedhopenow.org or sign up using [this form](#).
 - Future Beacon 102 training will focus on organizations uploading and managing shared data.
- **Closed-Loop Referral Workgroup Updates**

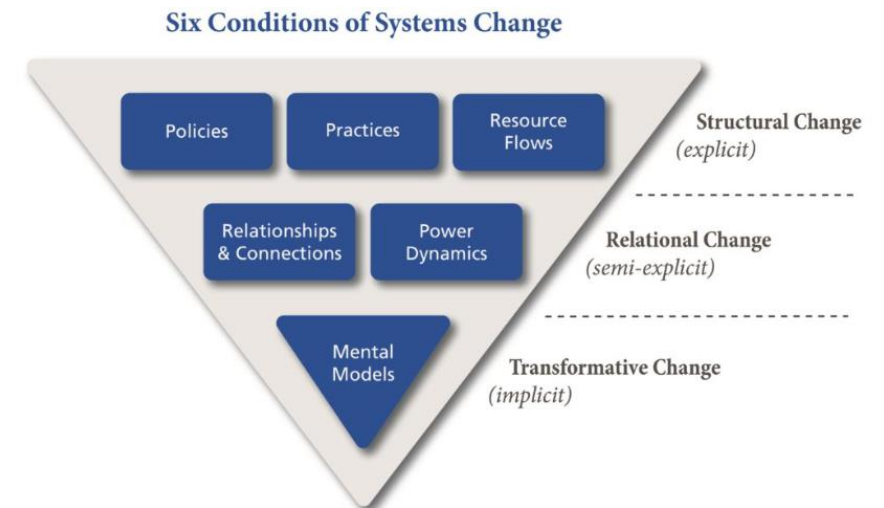
- Angela provided an update on the Closed-Loop Referral Workgroup, which collaborates with community coalitions including the Ginsburg Institute and the Department of Health Orange.
 - The group focused on:
 - Understanding how different referral platforms work together.
 - Identifying best practices for resource connections.
 - Establishing shared expectations and standards.
 - The workgroup prepared a white paper based on conversations with more than 20 organizations regarding referral processes and platform usage that will be introduced in the Closed Loop Referral Workgroup Meeting on June 16th. The white paper included recommendations for future collaboration.
- **Next HHTF Meeting:**
 - Friday, August 14th, 2026
 - Virtual (Zoom)
 - 10am-11am
- **Additional Materials:**
 - PowerPoint: HHTF Meeting – June 2026: Pages 5-30



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SYSTEMS SURVEY



SYSTEMS CHANGE SURVEY STRUCTURE

- **Part 1: System Trends**

- Captures system-wide trends by asking one representative from each organization about changes within their organization. This survey was anonymous.

- **Part 2: Identifiable Qualitative Survey**

An opportunity for partners to share concrete examples of system changes they're seeing within their organization and the broader community. These examples help bring context to the trends captured in Part 1.

STRUCTURAL : PROGRAMS

Did your organization provide any of the following services to the community in Calendar Year 2024 or 2025? (Select all that apply). **N = 4**

General Nutrition
Education (2)

General Food
Distribution (2)

Diabetes nutrition
education (1)

Diabetes specific
food distribution
programs (1)

Diabetes specific
clinical programs
(1)

Maternal nutrition
education
programs (1)

Maternal health
specific food
programming (1)

Maternal clinical
care program (1)

Heart health
specific nutrition
education (1)

Heart health
specific clinical
programs (1)

Mental health
services (1)

Heart health
specific food
distribution
programming (0)

SERVICES: PROGRAM IMPACTS

- Most services had no impact, of those that did:

Services

- **Added:** Maternal Health Clinic, Mental Health, and General Food Distribution

Frequency of Services

- **Increased:** General Food Distribution
- **Decreased:** General Nutrition Education

Service Locations

- **Increased:** Heart Health Clinical, Mental Health, General Food Distribution (2)
- **Decreased:** General Food Distribution

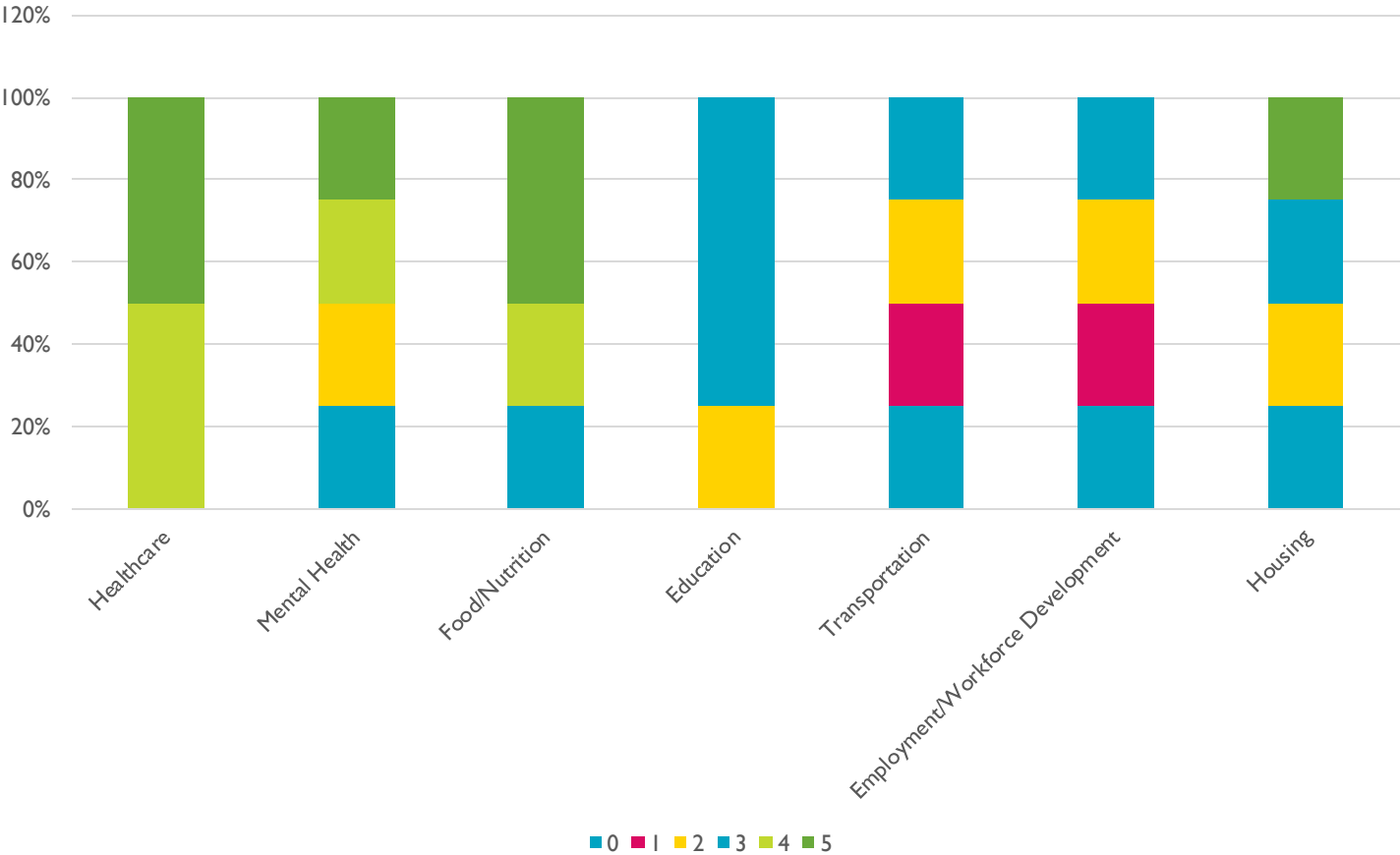
Criteria for Eligibility

- **Loosened:** General Food Distribution

Funding

- **Reduced:** General Food Distribution

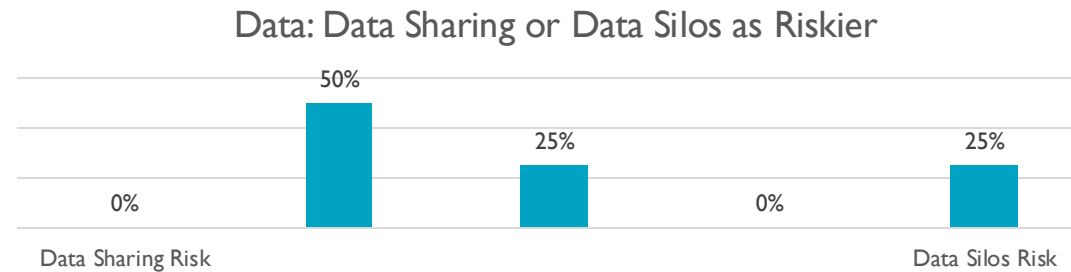
Consider the depth of partnerships and knowledge your organization has within your sector and across other sectors. Rate your depth of connection and partnership with the following sectors as a whole



- 1 = No connections or partnerships, and limited understanding of needs within this sector
- 3 = Some partnerships and connections, and some understanding of the needs within this sector
- 5 = Many partnerships and a deep understanding of the needs within this sector

RELATIONSHIPS

MENTAL MODELS: DATA SHARING



- There is no shared understanding of what questions need to be asked to get to the right data in order to create a data set across systems.
- Misunderstanding of data privacy laws.
- People will misinterpret our data and make assumptions that aren't correct

SYSTEMS CHANGE IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

- Organization implemented goal of screening all patients for relevant HRSN/ SDOH. *Laura Chilcutt, Nemours Children's Hospital*
- Seminole County ended all but two routes with lynx buses in favor of a micro transit program, SCOUT. SCOUT provides door to door transportation within Seminole County. *Grace Thompson and Chantel Reed, Seminole County Community Health*
- Meeting with health care officials to make Pantry Planters available to help them with food insecurities. *Tammi Madison, Pantry Planters*

LEARNINGS AND NEXT STEPS

- Will continue with Annual Systems Survey
- Survey difficult to complete depending on organization
- Consider alternative ways to collect data
 - Organizational uploads to Beacon
 - Interviews



COMMON METRICS: COMMUNITY NEED AND PROGRAM INDICATORS

DATA SHARING ACROSS ORGANIZATIONS



PHASES 3 AND 4

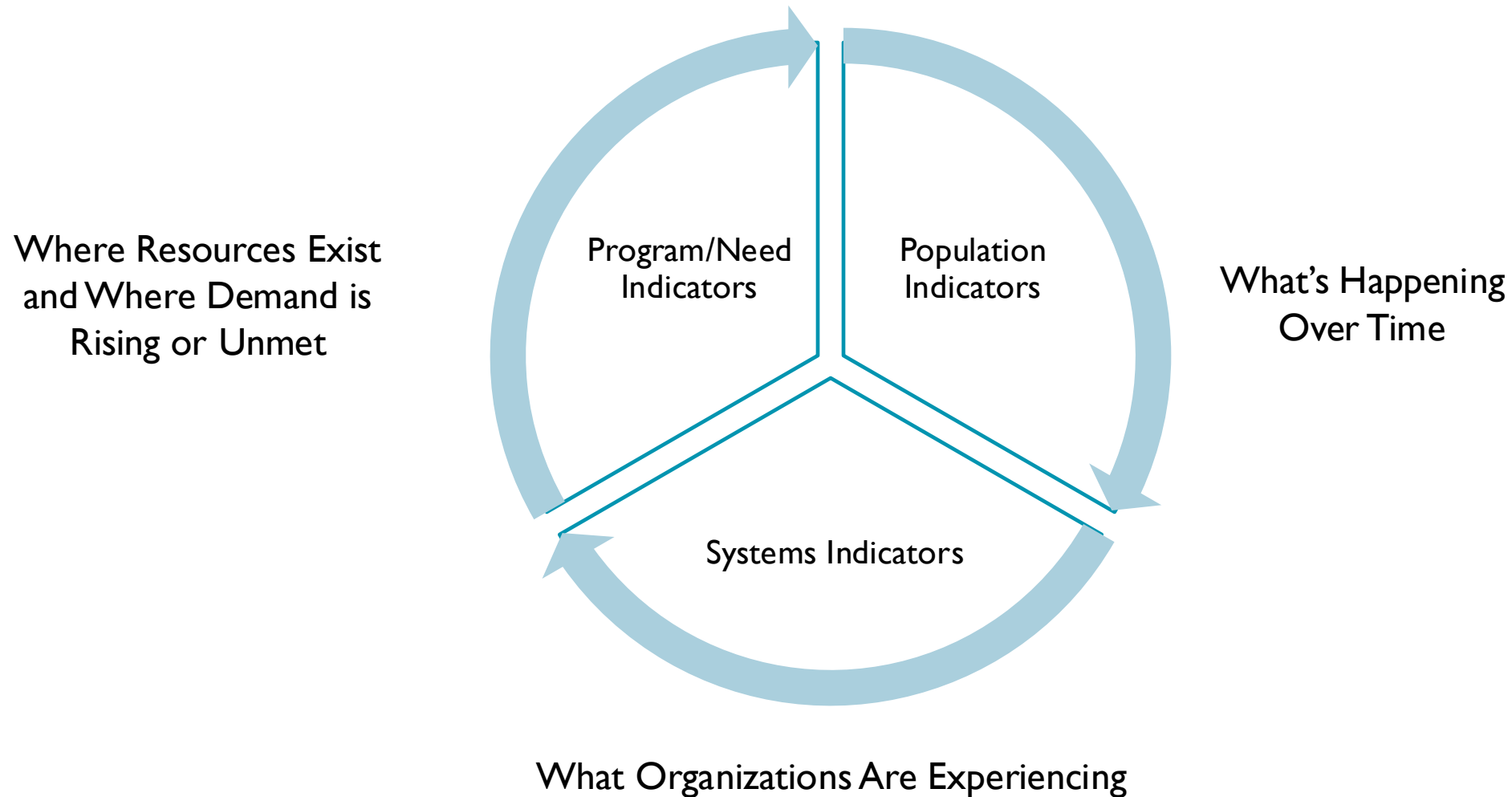


Program and Service Data

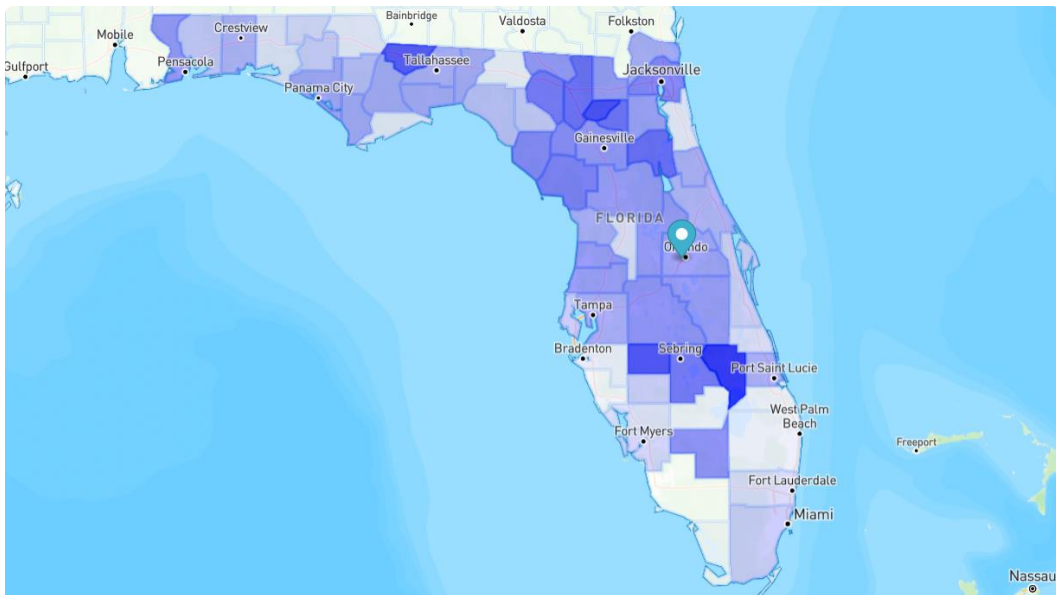


Community Need Data

THE COMMON METRICS BIGGER PICTURE



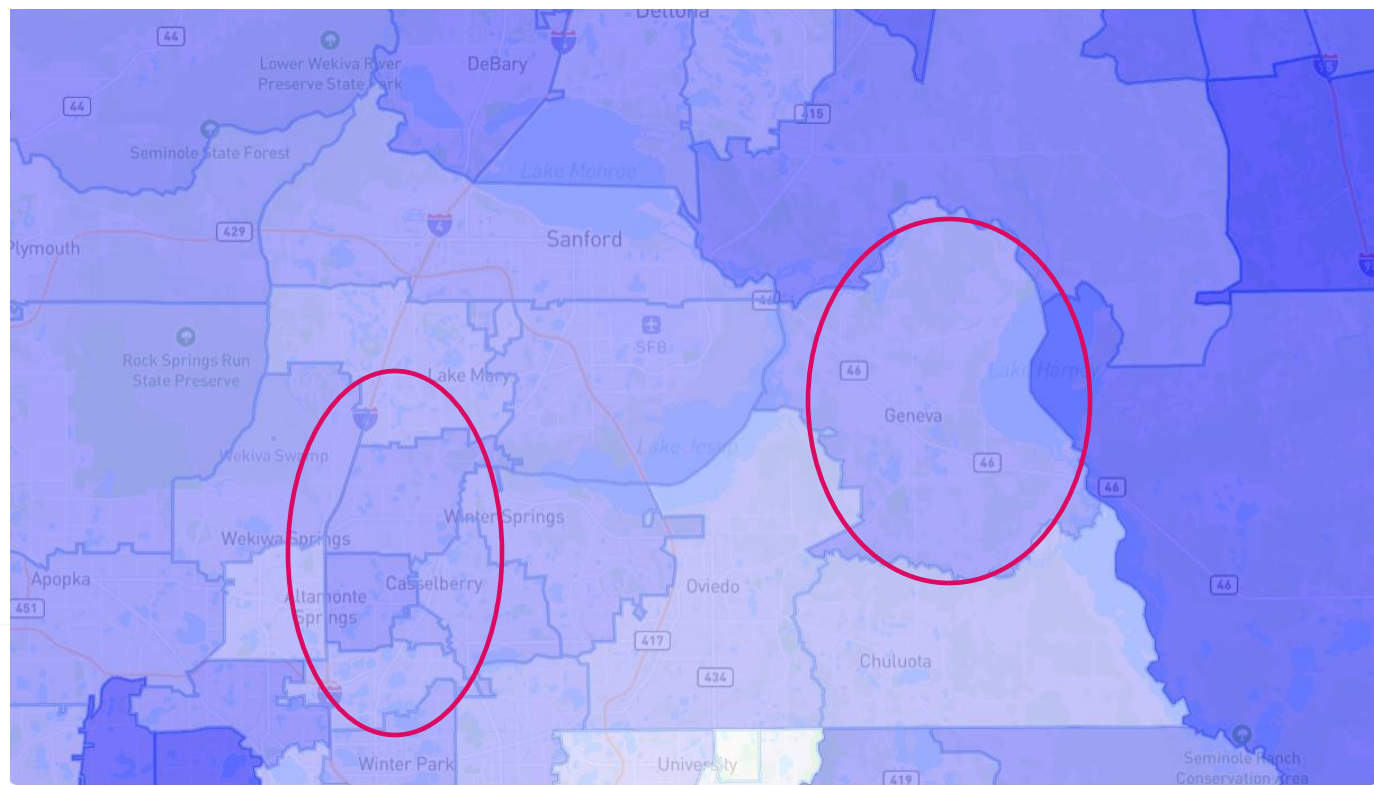
POPULATION LEVEL: CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE HOSPITALIZATIONS



Age-adjusted Hospitalizations From or With Congestive Heart Failure as Any Listed Diagnosis, Single Year



POPULATION LEVEL: HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE ZIP CODE LEVEL

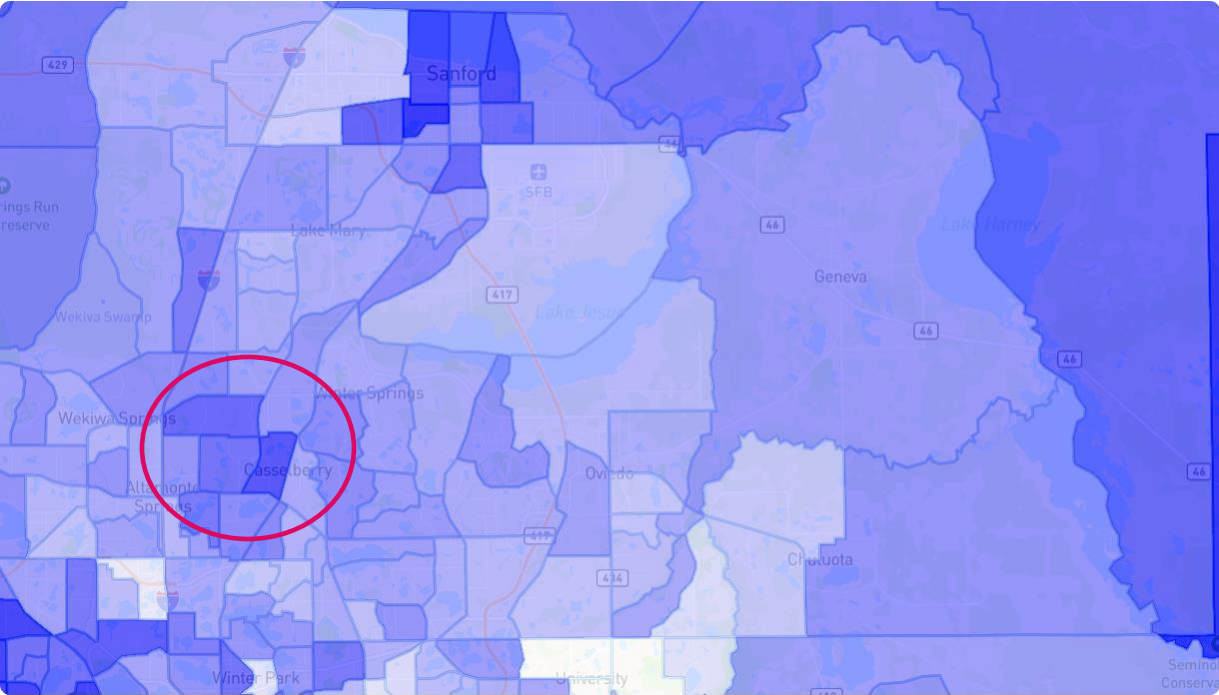


Selected Data Indicators



Legend





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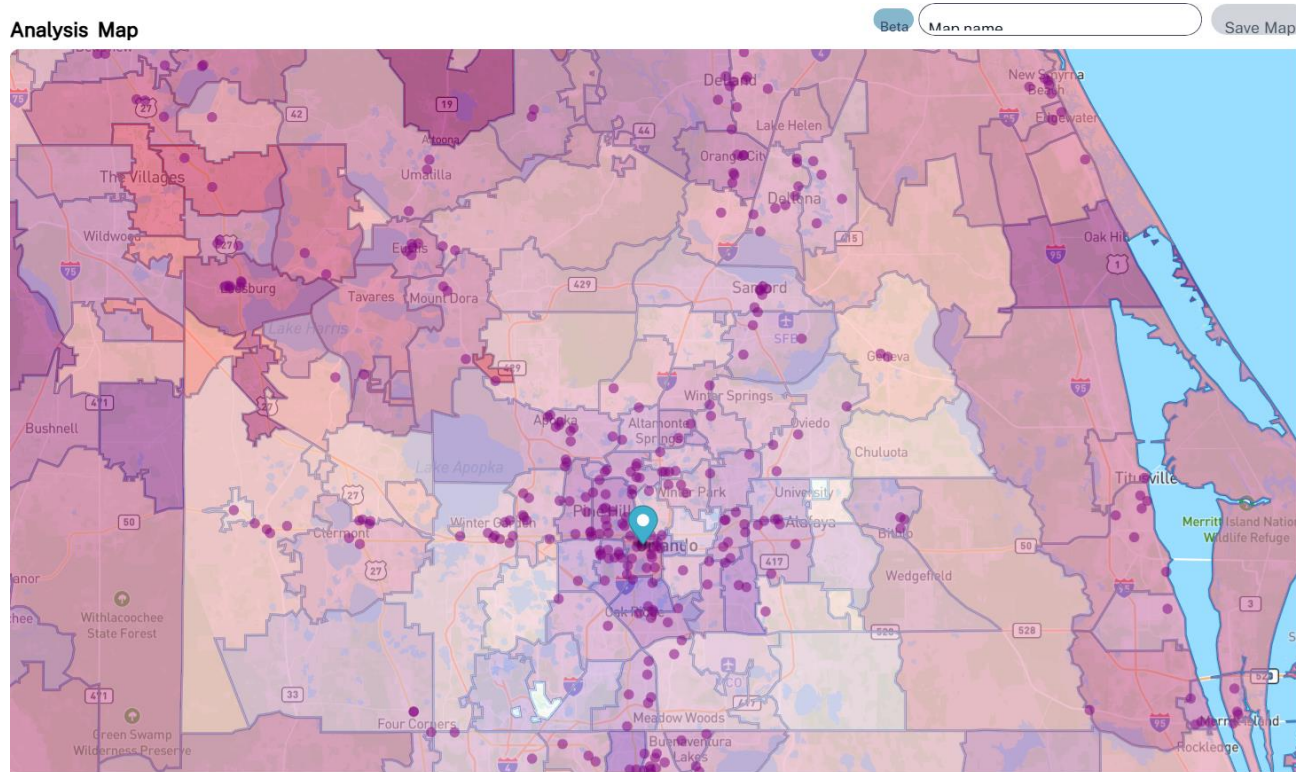
SYSTEMS INDICATORS

Heart health
specific nutrition
education (1)

Heart health
specific clinical
programs (1)

Heart health
specific food
distribution
programming (0)

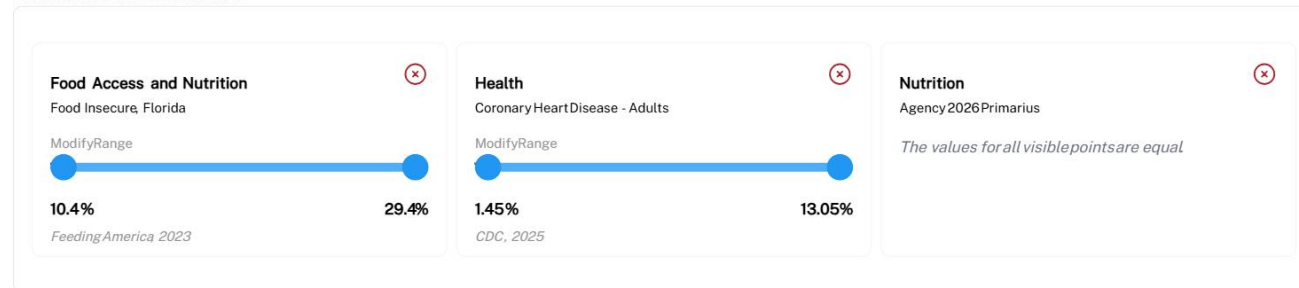
Analysis Map



Program/Need Indicators

- Instead of data from 2023 you had Q1 and Q2 data from hospital social needs screenings
- Instead of just your organization's site locations you could see the locations of other similar service providers
- Instead of looking at services in one sector, you could layer on services from other sectors

Selected Data Indicators



Legend

WHAT WE LEARNED LAST MEETING

Data Sets

- Organization sites
 - Trusted partners
 - Cross Sector services
- Referral Data
 - How often are sites being referred to
- Accessibility Needs
 - Transportation Data (bus stops, sun rail stops, etc)
 - Information about people living with disabilities

Comfort in Sharing within Beacon

- Clear use and purpose of the data
- Appropriate agreements and permission systems in place
- Data upload standards, templates, support to maintain data integrity
- Mechanisms for understanding data and the methodology behind it is well understood

NEXT STEPS

Building Out
Agreement
Structure

Outlining processes
and workflows for
data sharing

Identifying
organizations that
want to share data

BEACON UPDATES

Name Change
and Major
Updates

Launching This
Week: Beacon
101 series

Coming Soon:
Beacon 201

BEACON VERSUS FINDHELP

Beacon

- Organizational Facing
- Designed for organizational and cross organizational insights
- Not updated in real time

FindHelp/Resource Platforms and Directories

- Neighbor Facing
- Designed for connecting to services
- Ideally, real-time updates



CLOSED LOOP WORKING GROUP UPDATE



CLOSED LOOP REFERRAL WORKGROUP HISTORY

Started as a HHTF
Working Group



Joined forces with two
other working groups
(Ginsburg Institute and
Department of Health
Orange Task Force)



Working Together to
address barriers to
referral connections in
Central Florida

COMING NEXT

- Closed Loop Referral White Paper Release and Next Steps Discussion
 - Tuesday, June 16th
 - 2pm-3:30pm
 - Credo Conduit – Orlando, Florida
 - Email: VDieurisme@feedhopenow.org and ACorona@feedhopenow.org to be added to the invite
- White Paper will be sent out in HHTF July Newsletter and posted to HHTF Website



DISCUSSION: SUPPORTING NEIGHBORS WITH INCREASING FOOD NEEDS





FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH

ZOOM

10AM-11AM

NEXT MEETING

