

ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT
LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD

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LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD
2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Purpose

The purpose of this Board is to serve as the coordinator of collaboration for services specific to children, youth, and families in St. Mary's County. The Board is accountable for bringing together local child-serving agencies and providers, clients of services, and other community representatives to empower local stakeholders in addressing the needs of and setting priorities for our communities.

Activities

In October of 2020, the LMB hosted a focus group to discuss program/ strategy descriptions and performance measures for current vendors who serve children, youth, and families in the community that are funded by the Local Management Board. The event hosted several community agencies, organizations, and private citizens who are committed to the work serving this population. In November of 2020, the Board consulted with Clear Impact to prioritize results and indicators, based on trends in community needs, and started the groundwork for strategic planning and future initiatives. A community needs assessment survey is being developed to assess current community needs and to identify the gaps in services within the community. This survey will be finalized and made accessible in early 2021. Finally, in conjunction with the community survey, and to ensure the communities amid St. Mary's County are sufficiently served, the Local Management Board organized small committees of community needs assessment reviewers (made up of 2-3 LMB members, per committee) to analyze data and create a framework for LMB priorities as well as recommended strategies and initiatives. These respective committees will review the community needs assessment plans from a myriad of local agencies.

Challenges

Due to COVID-19 and an influx of professional demands experienced by Board members, maintaining a consistent presence from all stakeholders who have a vested interest in the success of all children, youth, and families in the community is an ongoing challenge.

Plans

In early 2021, the Board will focus on their application to the Governor's Office for Children for funding allocation as well as prioritizing a strategic plan to address the identified needs of the community. This strategic plan will serve as a catalyst to new programs and services needed and as identified in the final community needs

assessment.

Membership as of December 31, 2020 –

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