

All Children Thrive --- California



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ACT OVERVIEW

- **3-year pilot initiative** funded by **Mental Health Services Act**
- **Reauthorized** for 5 more years by CA Legislature
- Led by **Public Health Advocates** and **UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities**
- Overseen by 15-member **Equity Advisory Group**



ACT VISION & MISSION

Vision:

California is a state where children, youth, and families thrive.

Mission:

The mission of All Children Thrive - California (ACT) is to prevent childhood trauma and shift power in local government by empowering local youth and adult residents to create sustainable policy change that centers children and their families.

ACT builds capacity through training and coaching that democratizes data, raises awareness around ACEs prevention and social determinants of health, develops resources, and connects individuals within and across the state.



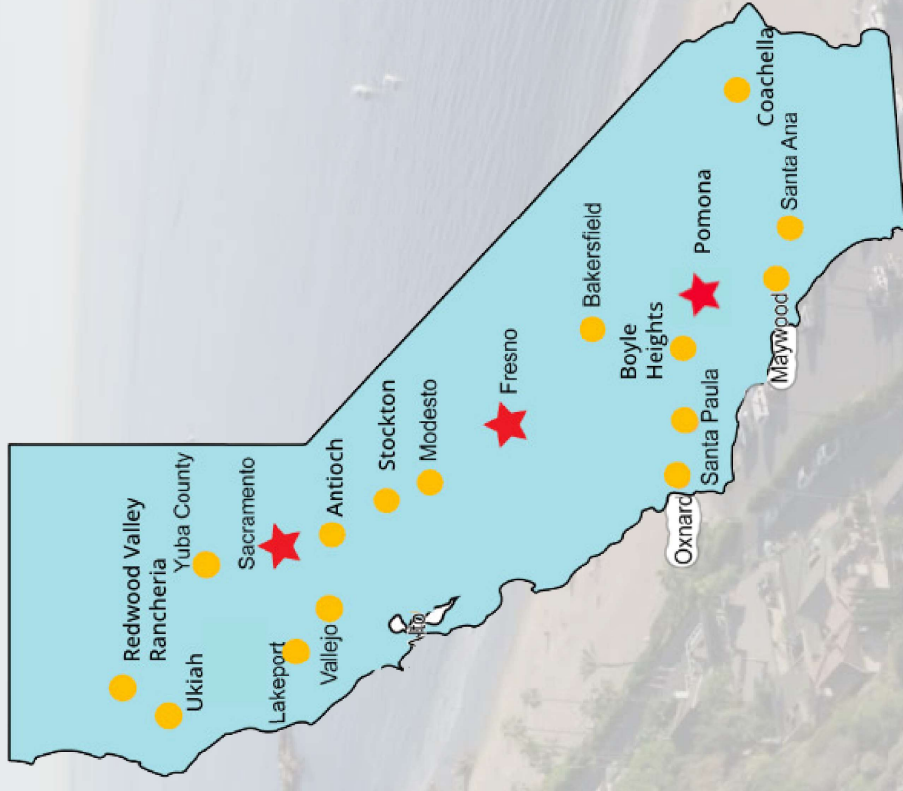
EQUITY ADVISORY GROUP

Overseen by a 15-member
Equity Advisory Group to guide
the implementation of ACT!



CITIES AND FUNDING

- Current cohort - **18 ACT-funded projects**
- Recruiting **13 ACT-funded projects** to start in January 2024
- **3 years of ACT Funding:**
 - Year 1: \$100,000
 - Year 2: \$50,000
 - Year 3: \$50,000



ACT COMMUNITY ACTION AREAS



Creating Protective
Environments

6 CITIES



Strengthening Economic
Supports

0 CITIES



Promoting Healthy Child
Development

4 CITIES



Youth Development and
Civic Engagement

8 CITIES



Access to Safe and Stable
Housing

0 CITIES



BONUS AREA
Mental Health and Wellness

0 CITIES



TEAM LEADERS

Adult & Youth Community Members

Advocate for strong healthy communities, be a voice for social change and ensure that the project meets community needs.

Community-serving and youth organizations

Facilitate community participation, feedback and hold decision-makers accountable to the community.

City Council & Officials

Champion community needs, use their power and platform pass resolutions and make city commitments to equity and social change.

Institutions

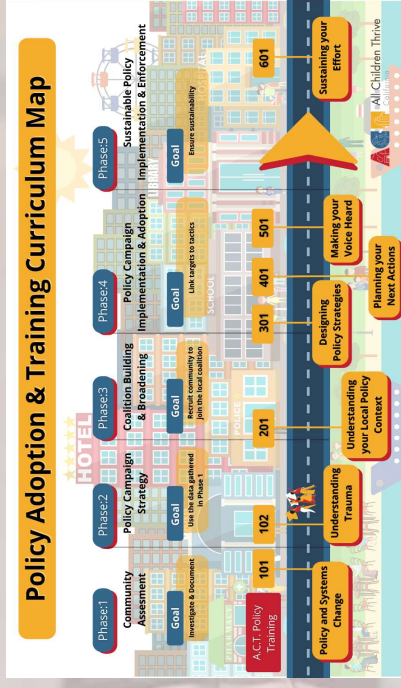
Provide leadership, guidance and resources for the common goal of meeting the needs of community.

ACT Design Team

Each team leader brings a unique and critical contribution to All Children Thrive.

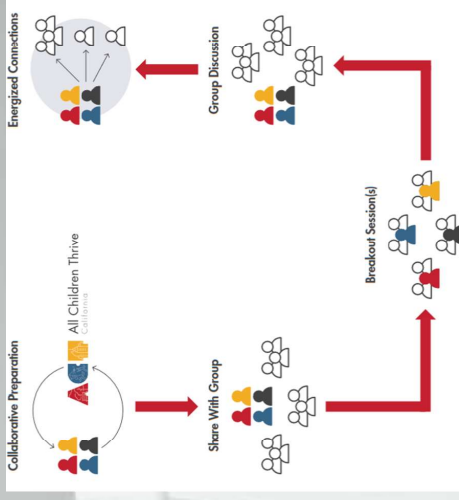
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- Bi-weekly Strategic Planning with your Coach
- Policy Training and Selection
- Youth Development and Engagement
- Data Consultation and Visualization



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- 4 Learning Community Sessions Annually
- Media Advocacy & Communications
- Sustainability Planning



- Conduct at **least 1 social media campaign per cohort** to share project success/challenge stories, educate about childhood adversity and describe how communities can be engaged to create change.
- Support ACT-funded projects to conduct **one newsworthy press event** designed to educate the public on their selected policy

- Host at **least 2** informational workshops **annually** to increase coordination and raise awareness about research, emerging issues, and best practices.
- Develop **2 educational materials** on the topic of childhood adversity for inclusion in local educational packets and at presentations.

PROCESS MAP



ACT's Process Map is used when we engage with ACT-funded projects and their Core and Design Teams to guide them through their policy campaign.



CREATING PROTECTIVE ENVIRONMENT STRATEGIES

20 evidence-based strategies offered in our policy menu for creating protective environments

ACT-funded projects focused on the following strategies:

- **Increasing and Maintaining Open Spaces**
- **Establishing a Safe Routes to School Plan**
- **Joint-Use Policies**
- **Establishing “Healthy Vending” Policies**
- **Redefining Public Safety and Expanding the Direction of Resources to Support Children and Youth**
- **Stipulating Child Well-Being as a Right in the Community’s General Plan**

DATA INFORMED

- Needs Assessment - use data to demonstrate need
- Digital Storytelling
- QuickCapture - observational assessments
- Data indicators relevant to ACEs and focus area

Black women with asthma - A developer of task-proven... using on the data

Chlorine Gas Canisters Considered After 9/11, there is just one example of a Black Californian who has been targeted by her health care system.

In July, Blane, whose name has been changed to protect her personal privacy, came to get a flu shot at the local health fair. She had a 10-minute appointment. She didn't have to wait for an appointment. She didn't have to wait for an appointment. She didn't have to wait for an appointment. She didn't have to wait for an appointment.

She was found to have an irregularly shaped heart. She was found to have an irregularly shaped heart. She was found to have an irregularly shaped heart. She was found to have an irregularly shaped heart.

What is wrong with Healthcare for Black Californians?

Black Californians have one of the lowest life expectancies in California and the highest rates of chronic diseases. This is despite the fact that the state has one of the most advanced health care systems in the world. Why is this? What is wrong with healthcare for Black Californians?



Boyle Heights QC project

User Name

Park Assessment Needs

- Trash
- Stinks
- Lighting
- Park Equipment
- Bathrooms
- Water Fountains
- Parking
- Pack Safety

Survey

Park Survey (fill out at the end of your observations)

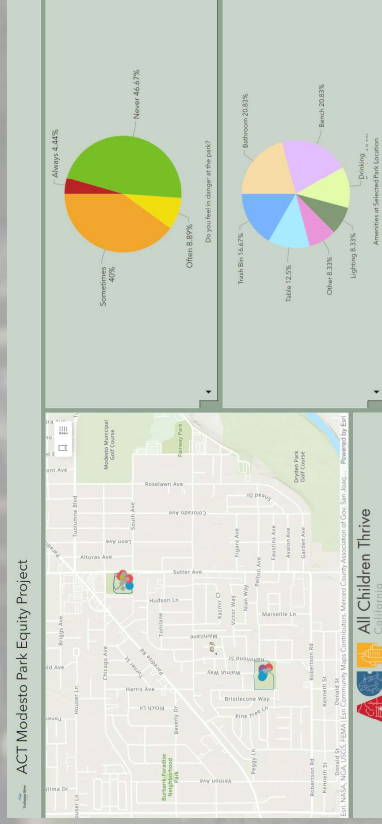
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MODESTO

**A youth-driven park equity project:
Identified key parks which lack
equitable access to community
members in underserved/low-income
neighborhoods**

- **digital story map**
- **data dashboard**
- **ACT Resolution**



SACRAMENTO

Measure L - Children's Fund for positive youth development and youth violence prevention programs

- Focus: mental health, substance abuse, prevention & intervention, homeless & foster youth services



VALLEJO

Public Safety Resolution to include youth programs that prevent violence and mitigate the impacts of violence.

- **Data collection on youth violence in Vallejo.**
- **Public Safety Day - Community Outreach**



BAKERSFIELD

Goal: Safe routes to school and complete streets in South Bakersfield

- Fact Sheet
- Digital Storymap
- 1:1 with City/County Decision-Makers



**What do Safe Streets Look like
for Youth in Bakersfield?**

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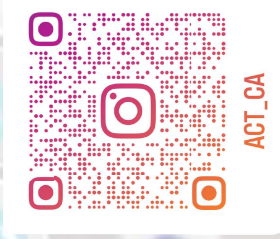
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