December 19, 2023, FY2025-2027 SPIL SILC Goals Meeting Notes

Team Members Present: Aaron Andres, Jamia Davis, Stephanie Deible, Mindy Kulasa, Erica Coulston, Jan Lampman, Steve Locke.

Drafting Michigan’s 2025-2027 SILC SPIL Goals

* This workgroup is a subset that will feed back into the larger SPIL writing team that is made up of some CIL directors and council members. We will also have representation from the DSE for their section of the SPIL.
* The Community Needs Assessment survey is located on our website [www.misilc.org](http://www.misilc.org) and is also being sent out through our social media channels. We currently have 121 responses.

2025 – 2027 SPIL Timeline Review

* Steve reviewed the timeline.

Now - May 1, 2024: Continue Gathering Public Input

May 1, 2024: Draft SPIL Complete for Public Comment

May 1, 2024 – May 30, 2024: Public Comment Period on Draft SPIL

June 30, 2024: SPIL Due to ACL

Public Input Review

* Two SPIL public input meeting sessions have been scheduled via Zoom. Monday, January 15th, 2024, at 6:00pm and Saturday, January 20th, 2024, at 1:30pm. These events are going to be promoted through our social media channels and through the CIL Network.
* More sessions will be added early next year.
* We discussed in person SPIL public input meetings sessions and decided to hold a couple face to face sessions in the spring to coincide with CIL events being held.
* Steve will reach out to IDEA 39 and the CIL network to promote our input sessions.
* Other ideas for gathering more public input would be CIL peer groups, promoting our community needs assessment survey during Facebook Live events, have giveaways to promote participation.

CIL Network Goals

* We did not have a meeting this month and are working on scheduling a meeting in January 2024.
* The CILs requested more time to work on their goals for the next SPIL.

State Level Partnership Goals for CIL Network and SILC

* We did receive a response from the network regarding their advocacy life issue areas and they will be advocacy, housing, and transportation. They did not have any real specific direction they wanted to pursue.
* The question now is how do you see SILC engaging those issues in the next SPIL? At the last meeting there was conversation about approaching it from a community education perspective.
  + Jamia reviewed the survey responses and saw a lot of commonalities with affordable housing, accessibility and repairs, home help and Section 8. There was one comment about a single entity to coordinate all of the services that go into housing. Is there one entity that can connect all of the resources together? There is the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and Michigan Disability Rights Coalition had a grant several years ago to assemble all of the housing resources that are available in the state.
  + Erica spoke with Annie Urasky at the Department of Civil Rights and listened to a presentation from Community Mental Health and there seems to be a common theme of reducing stigma and improving awareness of mental health services that are available.
  + Stephanie and Aaron met with folks in Oakland County to get an understanding of what they’re doing and the services that they provide. Transportation is so broad, and people’s needs are so different so it’s really honing in. Transportation is a huge issue. How do we tackle that? By community education? Look at it regionally or are we hoping to tackle the same goals statewide?
  + Jan commented that SILC’s role is about public education and making sure the public understands the issue and can join in the advocacy efforts. The CILs are actionable, they can take action in helping, partnering with municipalities, and providing technical assistance if needed. What is the SILC going to do by way of getting the word out to the broader public about what this issue is and how it could be solved? What will the CILs take on as action items to move that forward?
* Steve mentioned the success we have had with our statewide outreach initiative contract and in terms of engaging in what can the council do, the council can advocate and engage in community education and what that looks like. One approach that we could take is similar to what we’ve done with statewide outreach. We engage with a professional contractor to create and help implement an actionable plan that would go beyond our social media channels and action items that council members can take. A comprehensive community education plan around each one of these topics. The committee approves and would like Steve to move in this direction and discuss this with the full council at the January 12th SILC Council quarterly business meeting.
* Jan gave an update related to direct care workers, The Direct Support Professional Wage Coalition came out with a new position statement that she will send to Steve and Tracy, and we will forward to this group. It indicates the direction that the broader advocacy community is going with regard to trying to advocate for wages.

SILC Goals

1. Mental Health (Mindy, Erica & Lisa Kisiel) – Potential Partners: NAMI
2. Housing (Jamia & CILs) – HUD Section 8
3. Transportation (Aaron, Stephanie & Steve) – City Planning Commissions
4. Accessibility – Systems Access, Physical Access, Accessible Housing, Airplane Access
5. Direct Care Workers (Jan)
6. Aging Blind Population (Lisa)

Approach to and Assignment of SPIL Sections

* This will be a task for the SPIL writing team.

Public Comment

* No public comment was given.

Future Meeting Dates

* January 16th @ 3:30pm
* February 20th @ 3:30pm
* March 19th @ 3:30pm