

WEST SIDE PROMISE NEIGHBORHOOD

Youth, families, and individuals have their basic needs met so they can feel engaged in learning

Children attend effective schools.

Students graduate highschool and college prepared to transition to the workforce.



West Side residents and stakeholders will have strong relationships and access to resources.

West Side residents and stakeholders are civically engaged community leaders.

Westside residents are supported by identifying WSPN as a common space for planning.

Our Core Team

WSPN Consortium

Mission: WSPN works together with the West Side children, families, and individuals to ensure success from cradle to career and beyond.



Goal:
Our vision is to make Buffalo's West Side a vibrant, safe, healthy and inclusive neighborhood. We envision a community where families and individuals are strong, children are healthy, and every youth succeeds in schools and achieves lifelong success.



STEPS TO ACTION



Consult the community



Conduct needs-based conversations- where is the gap?



Create a plan



Create a sustainable team

WE FOUND OUR NEIGHBORHOOD STRUGGLED WITH:



NO FOOD IN 14207



LOW INTERNET AVAILABILITY and LIMITED TRANSPORTATION



LOW VACCINATION RATES



LOW RESIDENT INVOLVEMENT IN FOOD SYSTEM

IDENTIFY A GAP



Consult the Community



Consult Partners



Work with local government



Create a Team

CREATE A SHARED VISION



**MOBILE VAN SERVING
HOT MEALS**



**NEW FOOD PANTRIES
ESTABLISHED**



**ESTABLISHED
"FOOD FINDER FLYER"**



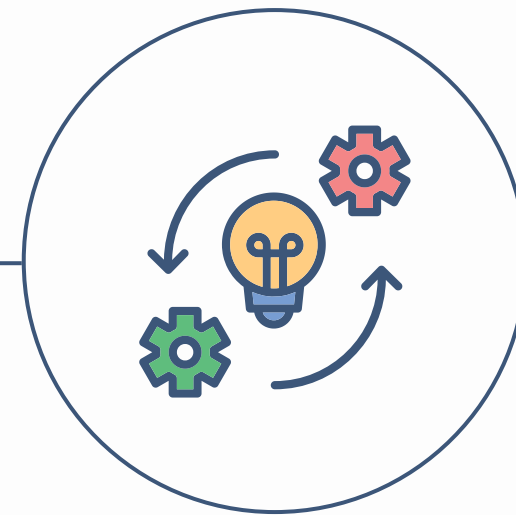
**ESTABLISHED LANGUAGE
SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

HOW DO YOU SUSTAIN PARTNERSHIPS? POST COVID



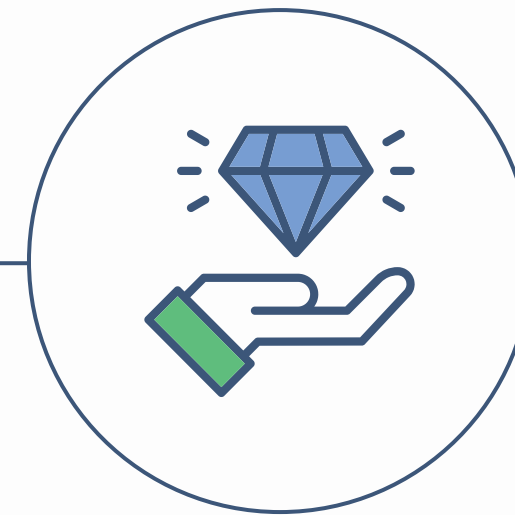
Considerate Time

Change the time - 40 minutes, went to voting model, meeting less voting more.



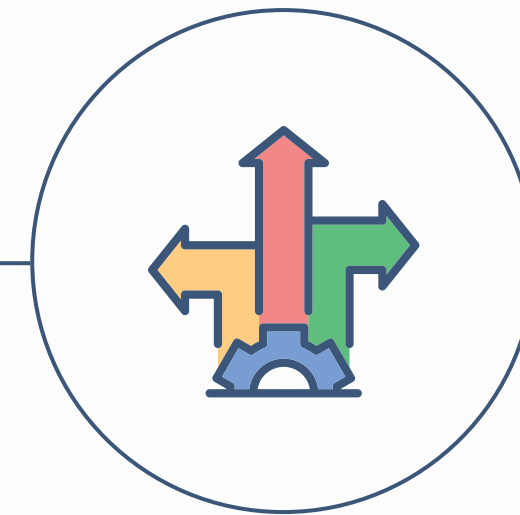
Value Based

We redefined our values and provided language to operationalize them. For Example "Food Dignity"



Focus on Reciprocation

Aligning our partners with additional service learning. Our partner's needs changed with COVID. We changed the classes we were offering and how we offered them.



Invitations to Campus

We are offering tabling, free meeting space, and leveraging the physical campus like the planetarium and constantly inviting our partners to campus!

POST-COVID Collaboration Transition



Identify Task Important

Identify what tasks are important to the partners at this time and what they need



Improve Efficiency

Restate the efficiency of coalition building. We emphasize awareness of other pantries (part of the system) better informs decision.



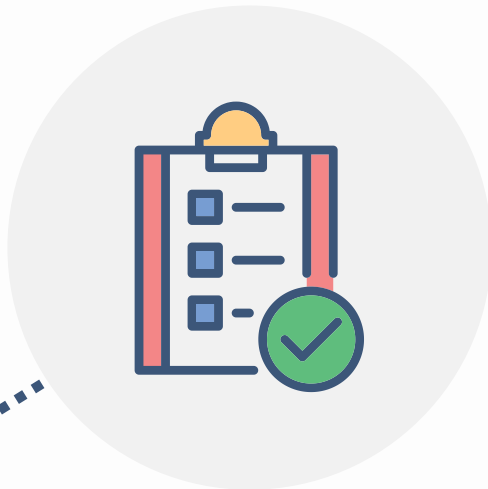
Streamline Communication

Limit the number of emails. We placed important action terms in the subject line. Clearly present what you want the partner to vote on and do concisely.



Approvals

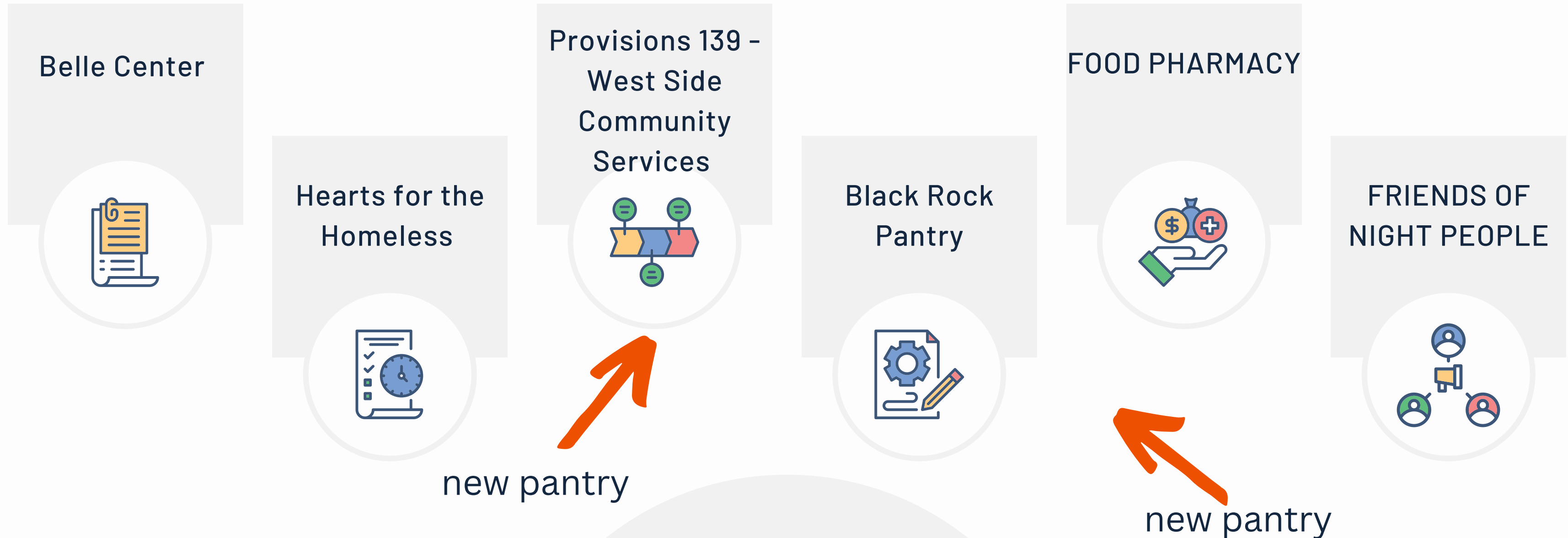
What are you voting on? Utilize email and other forms to discern approvals.



Revisit Goals

Revisit goals what are you trying to accomplish NOW is it the same ?

Food Security Council established 2020 3 "New" Pantries



**GOAL- CREATE A NETWORK
OF PANTRIES TO INCREASE
SUPPORTS**

OUR PARTNERSHIPS REMAIN



BMHA & HEARTS FOR THE HOMELESS

This summer HFH brought over 700 individual meals, toys, books, and pantry applications into our public housing developments. Families could sign up on the spot and lower the stigma associated with "pantries".



BMHA & WNY FEEDMORE

BMHA Resident Council applied for a WNY Feedmore program and brought over 700 bags of food for families to take home on Fridays. The bags were distributed along with summer lunch so there was less stigma attached.



FRIENDS OF THE NIGHT PEOPLE & WEST SIDE COMMUNITY SERVICES

\Creation of language-specific enrollment days.

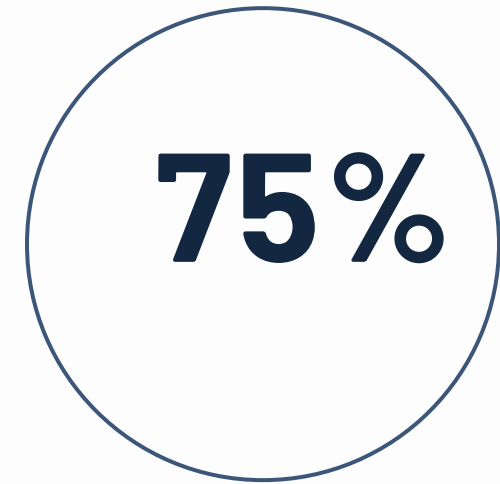


FRIENDS OF THE NIGHT PEOPLE & MASS AVE PARK

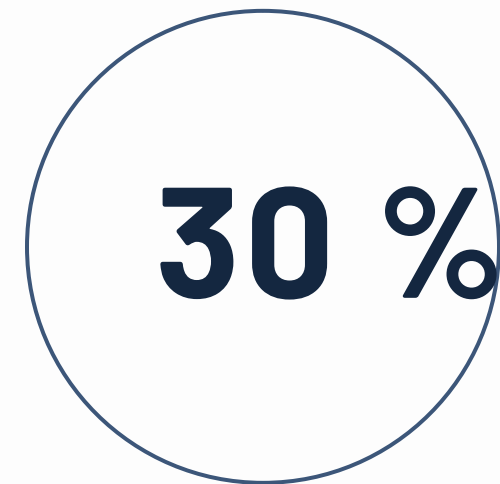
Takes an existing process and uses analytics and business process mining tools to weed out bottlenecks and other significant inefficiencies in a process.

Survey Sample

West Side Youth



Had families 5 or more



do not eat at restaurants because of costs.



Walk or utilize uber to get food home

The median income for Buffalo Residents is 35,893



13% of our regions residents do not have a vehicle.

Supporting our partners who serve families in the heart of the neighborhood is essential.

