

Agreement

There are a set of agreements required as part of participation in the Prosperemos Juntos I Thriving Together: Learning Collaborative:

- We are committed to working together across at least three diverse types of organizations (local government, schools, faith communities, nonprofits, businesses, etc.) to improve the health of our community. If we don't have this in place now, we will work to have this collaboration in place by the end of March.
- We are willing to work to close equity gaps in our community.
- We will commit a team of people who will be in monthly webinars and who will do the work between webinars required to strengthen our community.
- If selected to participate in the Learning Collaborative, we will commit at least half of the planning funds to provide fair compensation to [people with current lived experience](#) for their time and contributions (at least \$15 per hour).
- We embrace being part of a peer coaching and mentoring process. We understand that we will be supporting other coalitions and they will be supporting us to improve.
- We will submit a completed report at the end of this phase to Thrivingcommunities@mhm.org

Describe any conditions or circumstances that may hinder your ability to commit to these agreements. Also, is there anything that MHM can do to remove these barriers?

Contact Information

Please insert the following information:

- Key Contact Name
 - Name of main person we should call regarding this application
- Key Contact Email Address
 - Email address of main person we should call regarding this application
- Key Contact Phone Number
 - Phone number of main person we should call regarding this application
- Lead Applicant Organization/Group
 - Organization that is submitting the application
- Name of Coalition/Community
 - Provide a name for your coalition

Geographic & Population Focus

Which geographical area will your coalition focus on? Select all that apply.

- Bexar County
- Dimmit County
- Edwards County
- Kinney County
- LaSalle County
- Maverick County
- Real County
- Uvalde County
- Val Verde County
- Zavala County

{If Bexar County} Which zip code(s) will be most impacted by the work of your coalition?

The ideal coalition has a targeted geographic or population focus. Describe how your coalition will focus on a specific marginalized population (or neighborhood). (500 words max)

Coalition Strength & Diversity

Coalitions are only as strong as their members. In this section, we ask about the composition of your coalition to assess for diversity and experience.

An ideal applicant is a coalition with at least three partnering organizations across sectors (local government, schools, faith communities, nonprofits, businesses, etc.). How many organizations are currently participating in your coalition?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5+

Describe the level of experience your coalition's participating organizations have in collaborating with multiple organizations to improve community health. (500 words max)

Shared Power and Integration of Persons with Lived Experience

Sharing power is the heart of the Communities of Solutions framework and fully integrating [persons with current lived experience](#) is the most important aspect of this work. With the following questions, we evaluate your coalition's current integration of persons with current lived experience.

An ideal applicant is a coalition that centers persons with current lived experience of inequities. Please list the names, roles, email addresses, and organization/group (if applicable) of all who will participate in

the Prosperemos Juntos | Thriving Together: Learning Collaborative as part of your coalition. Some of the common roles individuals play are “partnering organization representative” or “person with current lived experience”. It is okay to list more than 1 role for an individual.

How will you integrate people with current lived experience of inequities in your coalition? (500 words max)

Community Engagement

Communities of Solutions is a community-centered framework. The following question evaluates your coalition's success in engaging community residents.

Please provide a brief summary of successful efforts by organizations within your coalition to build trusting, effective relationships with community residents. (500 words max)

Racial & Health Equity

The work of Communities of Solutions is about moving deeper from downstream interventions to root causes of health disparities, including racism.

What motivates your coalition to advance racial and health equity as part of Prosperemos Juntos / Thriving Together? (500 words max)

Shared, Collaborative Vision

A coalition's success lies largely in its ability to create and act on a shared vision. The following questions evaluate your coalition's vision for the community you serve.

Our coalition has a common vision for the community we serve.

- Not yet started: We have not begun to develop a vision for our community.
- Starting: Participating groups have visions for their work, but we have not come together yet to create a common vision.
- Gaining skill: Our coalition has begun to develop a common vision. We are doing this in partnership with residents of our community.
- Sustaining: Our coalition shares a clear, overarching vision that feels concrete and motivating. We develop and implement programs and policies to achieve our common vision.
- Spreading and scaling: Many groups in our community have a clear, motivating vision and have demonstrated success in achieving the visions on their own. Groups are working together to develop a common vision for our community.

What would you like to build upon or improve in your community that will not be possible without

collaboration and partnership? (500 words max)

Coalition Bandwidth

Participation in the Prosperemos Juntos | Thriving Together Learning Collaborative requires a commitment of time and resources. Visit the [FAQ](#) for more information on time commitment.

What is your coalition's ability to fully participate in this Learning Collaborative from March through August 2022? What competing priority(ies) may hinder your ability to participate? (500 words max)

Please let us know of anything your coalition really needs during the learning collaborative period from March-September that you can't afford without support (examples: translation services, internet access, childcare, etc.). (500 words max)