

# THE LEARNING EXCHANGE *for* THRIVING COMMUNITIES

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convened by CHOICE, led by community

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March 14, 2024



# MEETING REMINDERS



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We'd love to see your faces if you're comfortable turning video on



Please make sure you're muted when not speaking

Meeting is being recorded and will be posted to our website



# AGENDA

TODAY'S MEETING FOCUS:  
BELONGING AND CIVIC MUSCLE

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EMERGENCY HEALTH AND WELLNESS  
FUND RECAP

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HEALTH EQUITY COHORT INITIATIVE

3

USING DATA TO CREATE AND TELL  
OUR STORIES

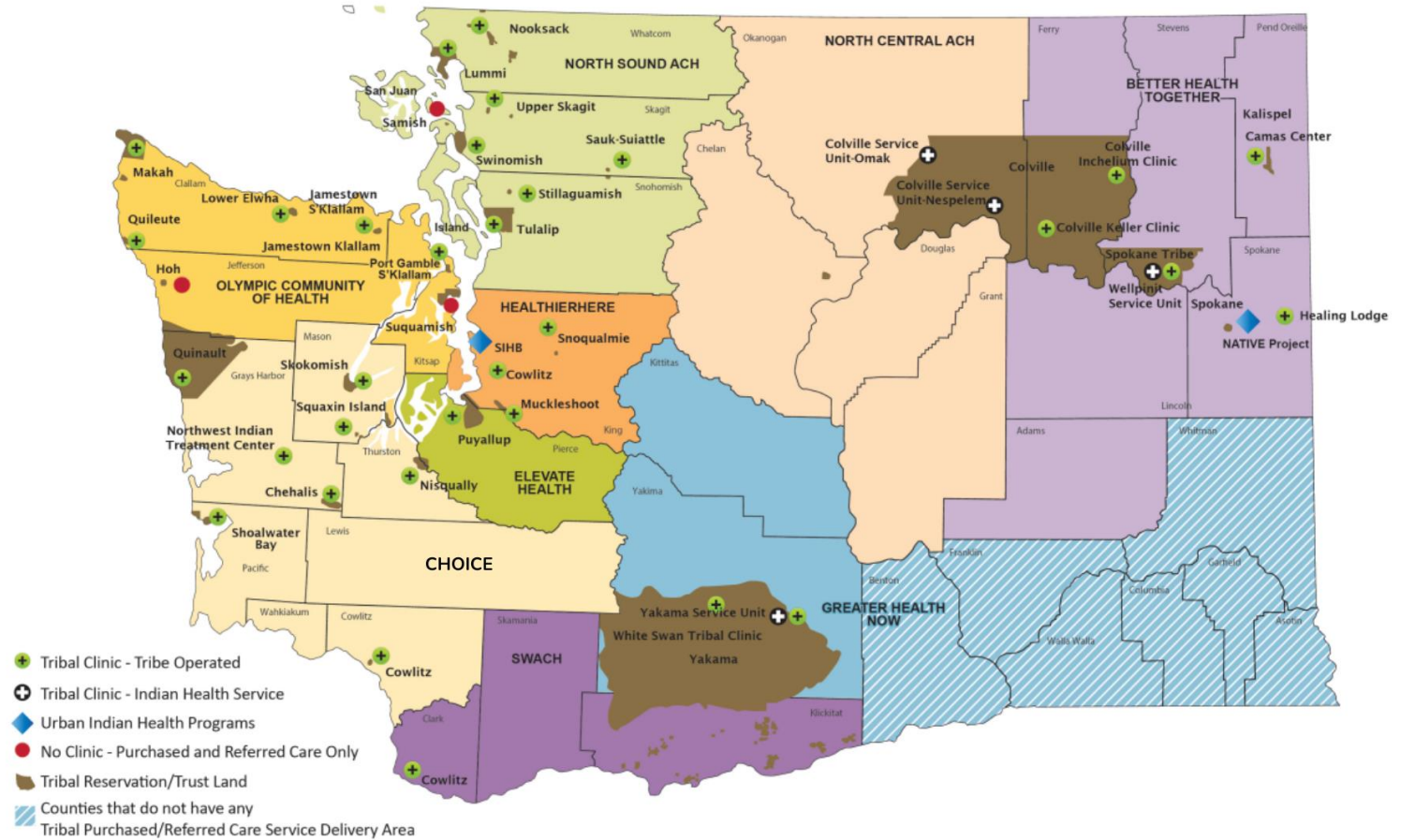
TODAY'S PARTNER PRESENTERS:

- Erica Zink, Wahkiakum PHHS
- Sue Bucy, Connections
- Danielle Russell, Connections

# TRIBAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

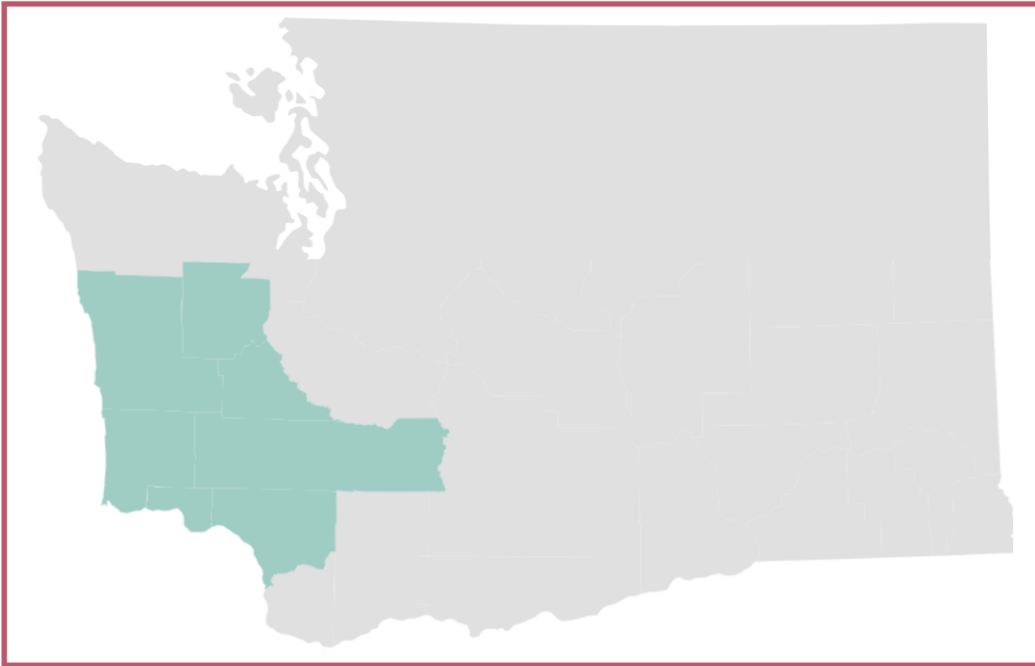
We acknowledge that our location and our partners are on the homelands of Native peoples, who have lived in this region since time immemorial. We are grateful for the hospitality of the **Chehalis, Chinook, Cowlitz, Nisqually, Quinault, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish, and Squaxin Island Tribes** and we express our deepest respect for these original and current caretakers of the region.

As an organization and community supporting health, we acknowledge our responsibility to establish and maintain relationships with these Tribes and Native peoples, in support of tribal sovereignty and the inclusion of their voices in our work. We also pledge that these relationships will consist of mutual trust, respect, and reciprocity.



# WHO WE ARE

We are the Accountable Community of Health (ACH) serving the Central Western Washington region.



We serve everyone in the jurisdictions of Thurston, Mason, Lewis, Cowlitz, Pacific, Grays Harbor, and Wahkiakum counties and the sovereign nations of the Chehalis, Chinook, Cowlitz, Nisqually, Quinault, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish, and Squaxin Island Tribes.

## WHAT

ACHs are regional organizations that work with their communities on health care and social needs-related projects and activities.

## WHY

Nine ACHs were established by the Health Care Authority to be neutral conveners, investors, and coordinating bodies between the health care delivery system and local communities.

## HOW

ACHs receive funds through the Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP) to transform health systems. We distribute these funds throughout the region to support local health improvement projects.

# OUR STORY TOGETHER



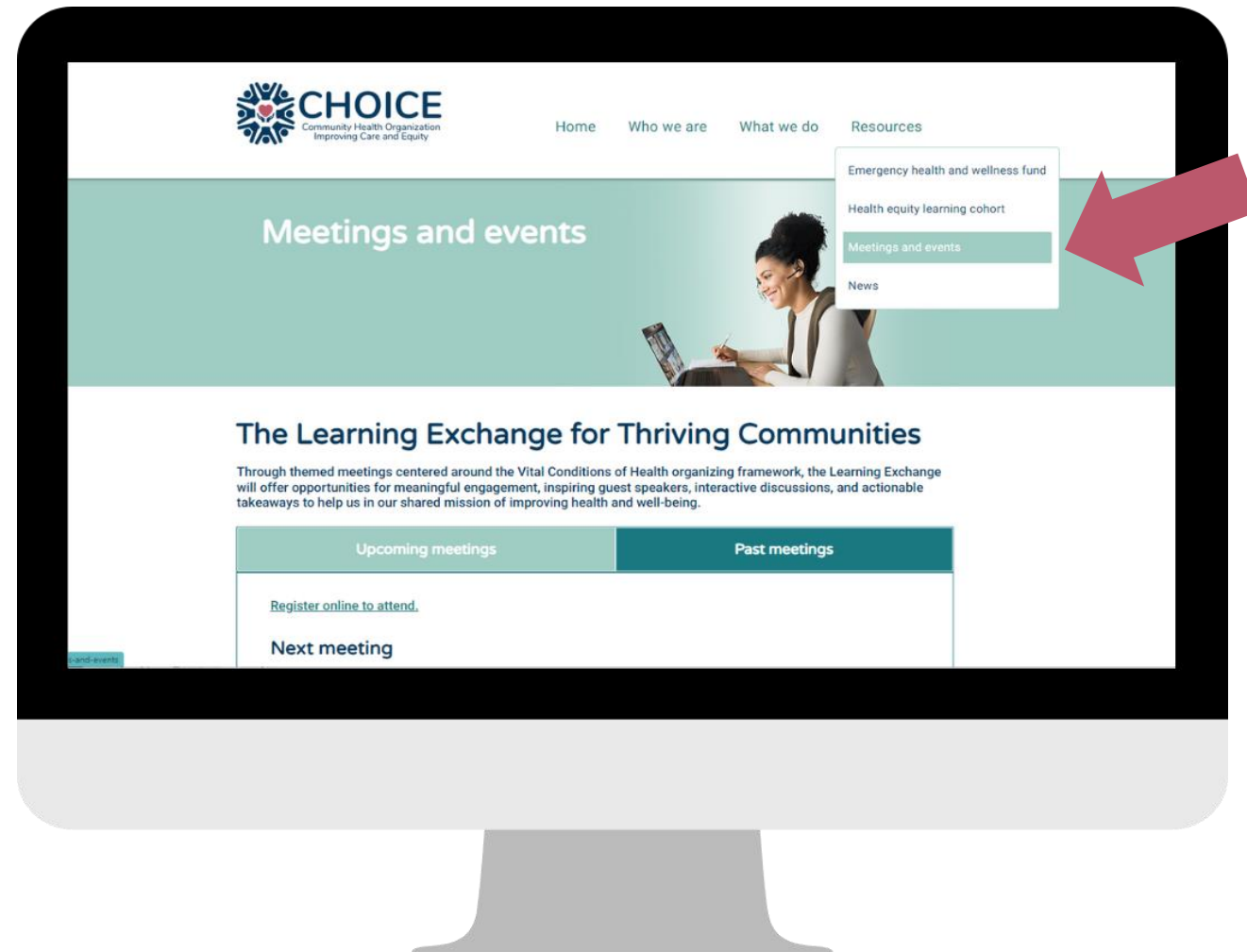
# NEW WEBSITE RESOURCE PAGE

Meeting information, registration link, and materials

[www.crhnweb.org/meetings-and-events](http://www.crhnweb.org/meetings-and-events)

Meeting questions, ideas, or feedback

[healthequity@crhn.org](mailto:healthequity@crhn.org)

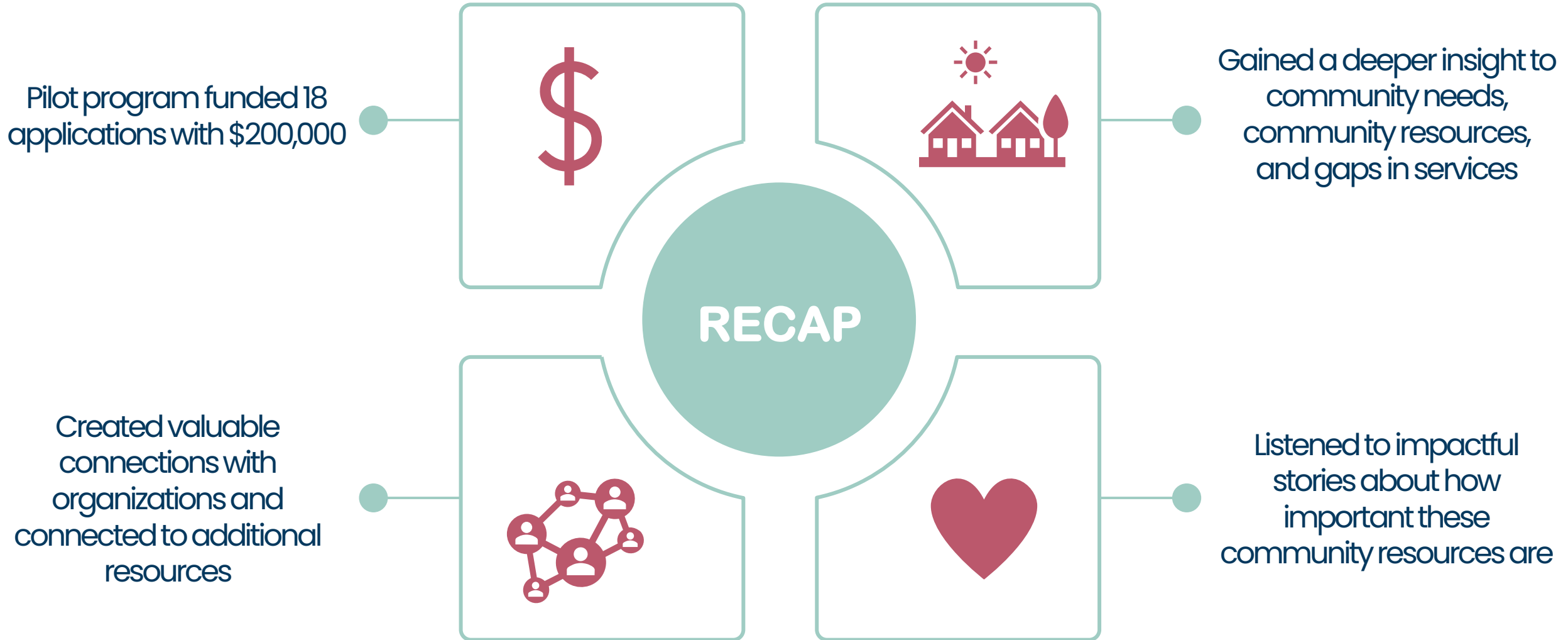


# EMERGENCY HEALTH AND WELLNESS FUND RECAP

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# EMERGENCY HEALTH AND WELLNESS FUND



# APPLICATIONS FUNDED

SAFETY SUPPORTS  
FOR SURVIVORS  
OF GENDER BASED  
VIOLENCE

TRAVEL COSTS  
FOR  
PREVENTATIVE  
HEALTH  
SCREENINGS

SPECIALIZED  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
HYGIENE  
INITIATIVES

MEDICAL  
EQUIPMENT

BASIC NEED  
PROVISION

ACCESSIBILITY  
ENHANCEMENTS

INFANT CARE  
SUPPLIES

EMERGENCY  
TRANSPORTATION

BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH SUPPORT

COMMUNITY FOOD  
RESERVES

SECURITY AND  
SAFETY UPGRADES

PERINATAL  
SUPPORT GROUP

# HEALTH EQUITY COHORT AND REGIONAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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# HEALTH EQUITY COHORT REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

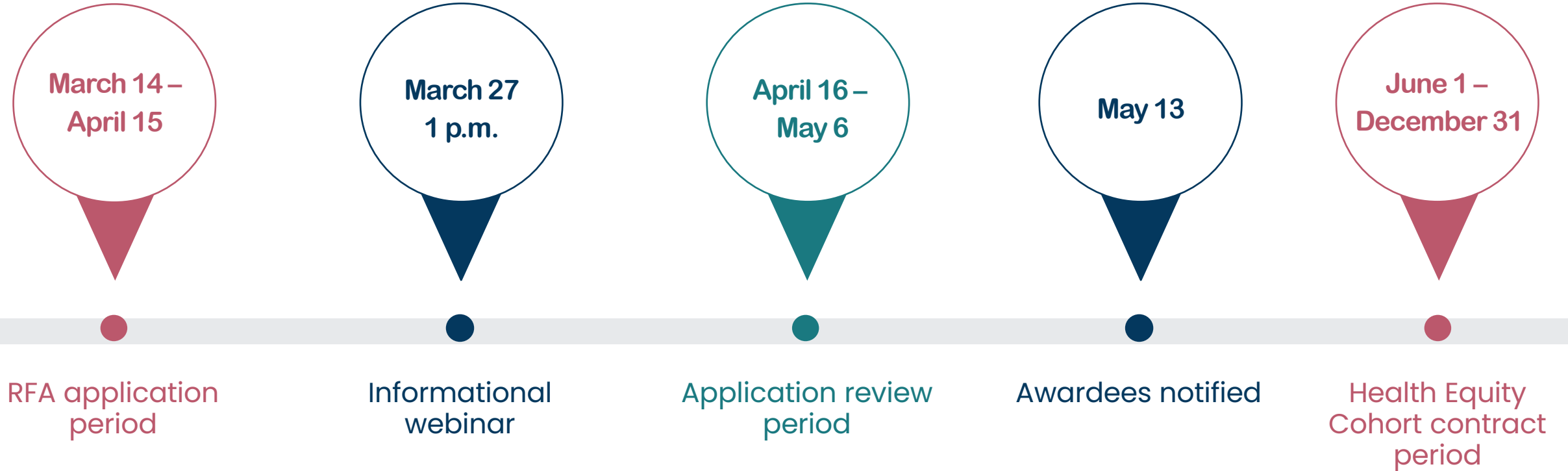
## ABOUT

- Aimed to enhance community health equity across central western Washington
- 7-months of collaboration
- \$35,000 for up to 10 organizations
- Utilizing the Vital Conditions of Health and Wellbeing framework for structuring our time together

## WHO + HOW TO APPLY

- Organizations passionate about enhancing health equity
- Community, public, governmental, advocacy, non-profit, Tribal
- RFA released TODAY
- Apply at [www.crhnweb.org/health-equity-cohort](http://www.crhnweb.org/health-equity-cohort)
- Contact: [healthequity@crhn.org](mailto:healthequity@crhn.org)

# HEALTH EQUITY COHORT RFA: KEY DATES



# REGIONAL HEALTH EQUITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

## What makes for a safe, healthy, thriving community?

- Belonging and civic muscle
- Reliable transportation
- Lifelong learning
- Meaningful work and wealth
- Thriving natural world
- Basic needs for health and safety
- Humane housing



# USING DATA TO CREATE AND TELL OUR STORIES

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# PARTNER PRESENTER

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## **ERICA ZINK**

Healthy Community Specialist and  
Local Health Jurisdiction Assessment Coordinator,  
Wahkiakum Health and Human Services



# COMMUNITY DATA



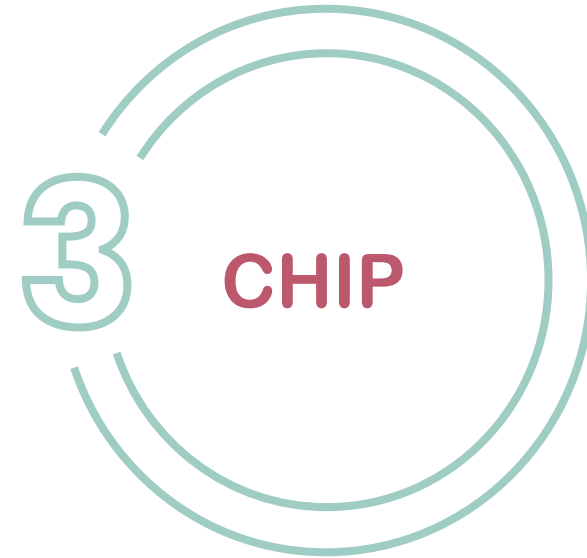
## Community Health Needs Assessment

Hospitals (501(c)(3)) - required to conduct every 3 years. Includes a Community Health Improvement Services Addendum.



## Community Health Assessment

Assessment, policy development and assurance. Identifies priority issues.



## Community Health Improvement Plan

Outlines strategies for action and accountability measures.

## THURSTON

- Access to healthcare
- Behavioral health
- Immunizations
- Maternal and child health

## MASON

- Access to healthcare
- Behavioral health
- Chronic disease prevention and management
- Address social determinants of health

## LEWIS

- Recruitment and retention of a quality healthcare workforce
- Access to primary care
- Behavioral health
- Partnering to address the social determinants of health

## COWLITZ

- Housing
- Food insecurity
- Behavioral health
- Workforce stability

## WAHAKIAKUM

- Mental health
- Chronic conditions
- Support for aging population
- Social determinants of health

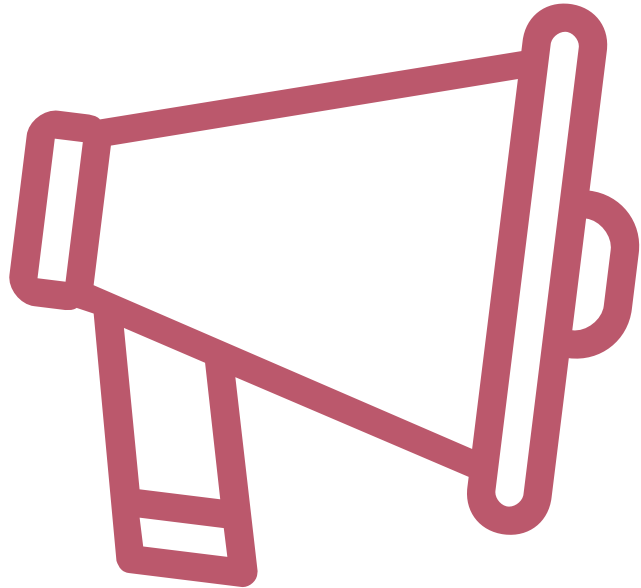
## PACIFIC

- Access to primary care
- Mental health and substance abuse
- Transportation

## GRAYS HARBOR

- Access to healthcare
- Behavioral health
- Chronic disease prevention and management
- Social Determinants of Health

# DATA DISCUSSION



How do these priorities align with what you know is needed in the community you serve?

What local initiatives or approaches are actively addressing these priorities?

What's missing or not included?

# PARTNER PRESENTERS

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## **SUE BUCY**

Executive Director,  
Connections, a Center for Healthy Families

## **DANIELLE RUSSELL**

Director of Funding and Development,  
Connections, a Center for Healthy Families

**SOMETHING TO ASK?**  
**SOMETHING TO SHARE?**

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# WRAP UP



## BELONGING AND CIVIC MUSCLE

It is both a vital condition and a practical capacity that is necessary for equitable success in every other kind of work.