

Bold Steps for Children
The Santa Clara County Children's Summit
World Café
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Process: Participants divided into color coded tables by goal of interest (orange, blue, burnt orange). Table groups of 4 or 5 discussed Question 1 and reported out major themes. Major themes are recorded below. Participants switched to another table of the same color and discussed Question 2, then switched tables, again, continuing to discuss Question 2. Major themes from Question 2 were reported out and recorded below.

Question 1: Thinking about your selected Santa Clara County Children's Agenda goal, what did you hear, see or feel today that excited and challenged you?

Question 2: What is our next critical step(s) in achieving this goal? How can we use today's information to take that next step?

<p><i>These are critical next steps toward Physically, Socially & Emotionally Healthy Children!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Identify healthy technology options; create media diet.  Better measurements for emotional health; identify at risk populations; share data.  Provide a solid foundation for children from pre-conception through Age 3.  Stop targeting the most vulnerable (Arnold).  Focus on practice based evidence; what's working? <p style="text-align: right;"></p> <p><i>These ideas excite and challenge me!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Empower and engage the communities.  Impeccable communication plans.  Working from strengths and possibilities!  Educate families to use health insurance.  Change goal to include cognitive development.  Funding spent reactively; refocus to the proactive.  Preserve childhood.  Communities bring up needs. 	<p><i>These are critical next steps toward Children Prepared for and Successful in School!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Bring schools and community together, especially parents.  Initiate a "Children's School Initiative"; solve the drop-out problem.  Identify, share and replicate best practices. <p style="text-align: right;"></p> <p><i>These ideas excite and challenge me!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  First literacy, then math. Do this early.  The variety of education stakeholders here today is impressive.  Culturally competent systems.  There are more models beyond quantitative measurement.  Leverage existing accountabilities; not by rote. 	<p><i>These are critical next steps toward Children Supported in Safe and Stable Families and Communities!!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Transform schools into community centers for change.  Strong media campaign for civic responsibility (part of "the village").  Establish flexible funds for line workers.  Empower building of social capital in community. <p style="text-align: right;"></p> <p><i>These ideas excite and challenge me!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Listen; get outside yourself; get it done.  Maintain and build in flexibility  Broadly partner.  Individualize service while maintaining community  How to really hear families.  Challenges of conflicting mandates.
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