I. Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) Update

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The Government Alliance on Race and Equity is a national network of government jurisdictions:

- Committed to achieving racial equity and advancing opportunities for all
- Focused on their own institutional practices, power and influence
- Working in partnerships with community and others
- Joint project of the UC Berkeley Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society (HIFIS) and the Center for Social Inclusion (CSI)

All jurisdictions involved apply GARE’s framework to their work

**Normalize**

Use a racial equity framework: Jurisdictions must use a racial equity framework that clearly articulates the vision for racial equity, and names historical and current institutional and structural racism. Operate with urgency and accountability: Create new narratives on racial equity that mobilize stronger commitments and actions as a result.

**Organize**

Build organizational capacity: Jurisdictions need to be committed to the breadth and depth of institutional transformation so that its impacts can be sustained. Change takes place across the breadth of the institution and it is necessary to build infrastructure that creates racial equity experts and teams throughout government. Partner with other institutions and communities: To achieve racial equity, local government must work in partnership with communities and other institutions to achieve impactful results.

**Operationalize**

Implement racial equity tools: Racial inequities are not random; they have been created and sustained over time. Inequities will not disappear on their own; tools must be used to change the policies, programs, and practices that perpetuate inequities. Be data-driven: Measurement must take place at two levels—first, to measure the success of specific programmatic and policy changes, and second, to develop baselines, set goals, and measure progress towards goals in the community.

Alameda County’s GARE Team is working toward the following County-wide goals:

1. All people thrive
2. Alleviate barriers to wealth, health and democracy that disproportionately impact people of color
3. Indicators show movement towards racial equity
4. Develop long-term infrastructure to support this work, including community engagement
5. Integrate into routine work of the county
The GARE Team will schedule a presentation for Agency heads and provide regular updates to the Board of Supervisors. In addition the GARE will present the Board of Supervisors with County’s GARE award.

Purpose:
- [x] Report progress
- [ ] Advocacy or Education
- [ ] Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
- [ ] Other:

II. Measure A One-Time Allocations – 20 minutes

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Rebecca Gebhart, Interim Director, Health Care Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Measure A One-Time funding request for Enhancing 5150 Response & Transport in Alameda County.

The current transport of 5150 patients by 911 ambulance personnel, who do not have a medical need is costly. Ambulance personnel are not trained in delivering psychiatric care and 5150 transports contribute to overcrowding at John George Psychiatric Hospital.

The Health Care Services Agency requests the Committee’s support for $3 million dollars to develop and implement an Enhanced 5150 Response & Transport system for Alameda County.

James Nguyen, Interim Finance & Administration Director, Health Care Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation on Measure A One-Time funding request for the Heart 2 Heart program.

Heart 2 Heart is a program that was launched in 2008, as a place-based strategy to reduce health inequalities in South Berkeley. The goal of the program is to improve the health of residents by addressing the social conditions that lead to poor health. Collaborating partners include the City of Berkeley and Lifelong Medical Care. Funding sources include Kaiser Permanente Community Benefit and Sutter Health Community Benefit.

The Health Care Services Agency requests the Committee’s support for $100,000 dollars of Measure A funds to support the Heart 2 Heart program.

Purpose:
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- [ ] Advocacy or Education
- [x] Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
- [ ] Other:

Recommendation from Health Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

III. Whole Person Care Update

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Dr. Kathleen Clanon, Agency Medical Director/AC Care Connect Director, Health Care Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on the Whole Person Care Initiative.

The Whole Person Care Pilot is an optional competitive grant program that aims to improve care for high users of emergency services by integrating medical, behavioral health, and substance use treatment and adding new housing support opportunities.

The Whole Person Care pilot is on track to enroll its first clients by July 1

There is a major effort to execute contracts for
Focus on Housing

The program will create an oversight system for Community Living Facilities, modeled on programs in San Diego, CA, which will create online directory to support owners and residents through standards and accountability, improve quality through training and incentives and address resident grievances.

The next steps include developing a universal consent form and deciding what information should be shared among providers in the Community Health Record.

Purpose:

☑ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

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None.

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