



Vermont Community Health Equity Partnership
Fall 2023 Gathering - October 19, 2023

Welcome Activity Questions

What resources do you need to sustain your health equity project/work?

A plan to engage our board of directors to add health equity to decision making.	Hannah A.
Money / capacity - more training and buy-in, support to move the needle.	Diana
Money and a coordinator for THRIVE.	Joan Marie
Advocacy and money.	Randy
More organizations who want to utilize our cooperative space and implement programs and / or share resources, ideas, networking events.	Samantha, One Heart Wellness Cooperative, oneheartwc.org
Access / links to decision makers / government players. Better links / connections to innovators. Travel support that allows for connections with other projects / people doing this work nationally / internationally.	Juliet
Resources, money, people, more input from people intended to serve.	Saudia
Someone to help with templates to track participation.	Samantha, One Heart Wellness Cooperative, oneheartwc.org
Across the region and locally we need good communication because if everyone knows what's happening, everything works out smoothly. We need to be on the same page to be successful.	Amanda
Simply put - funds for a program director to maintain the programs we currently have - and to grow programs with the new connections we have made this year.	
Support, resources, time.	
Ongoing state and federal government recognition of the importance of this work = financial support for it.	Anna
We need help in getting the word out about the importance of a trauma-informed model of compassion in all our systems!	Kim, kimberlyjpierce@gmail.com
Want to connect with others working in education / sexual health.	Hayley, hayley.e.elewis@gmail.com
More connections to people experiencing inequities	Saudia

I need people who experience health inequities to keep telling me what they need and holding me accountable.	Alice E., Upper Valley (WRJ) alice.ely@uvpublichealth.org
People power, meaningful connection, and support.	Jeanette L., Social Tinkering, director@socialtinkering.org
connections to people who care, who have money, and resources / skills to share without constraints.	Stephen
More representation and resources in the northeast Kingdom (beyond Hardwick and Greensboro) an honest commitment followed by resources (ex: x% of y funding) invested in equity work.	

What is one thing you can offer?

Outreach, transportation, resources, support morally.	EP
I can help new organization leaders learn about grants management and nonprofit leadership.	Alice E., Upper Valley (WRJ) alice.ely@uvpublichealth.org
I can review and edit proposals, statutes, and rules.	
Spur community connections. Ensure accountability within THRIVE to continue and build on equity/DEIB practices.	
Share successes of the human centered / network model. Be a coach / thought partner for emerging projects / ideas.	Juliet
Show up, guide, lead / facilitate, share lived experience.	Saudia
Grant writing support and consultation.	Katelyn I., kirwin@agewellvt.org
Coaching around: leadership, DEIB, strategy, and policy. Designing inclusive and empowering community engagement. + Brutally honest conversation.	Indra A.
We can offer a community space for events, workshops, classes, networking, and programs. We hope nonprofits and community organizations utilize the space for cooperative / collaborative creations!	Samantha, One Heart Wellness Cooperative, oneheartwc.org
Experience in arts activism and sexual health education.	Hayley, hayley.e.elewis@gmail.com
To stay engaged even when the work is hard and the conversations are difficult.	Rudy
The Vermont Kindness Project helps translate the science of trauma (epigenetics) to organizations and the general public helping to unlock healing and hope by removing shame.	Kim, kimberlypierce@gmail.com
VT Thriving Communities Coalition	Jeanette L., Social Tinkering, director@socialtinkering.org
We can offer Wellness practices, products, and services at free or reduced cost. All are welcome. We have BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ providers to support and connect with.	Samantha, One Heart Wellness Cooperative oneheartwc.org
Outreach. Continue to share where resources are available. Raise awareness of health and equity issues.	Anna
My life experience with homelessness, foster care.	Amanda
Getting support with legal problems is hard for me as a person, women of color.	Rev. Barbara M., underthewings@myfairpoint.net
Share my story and be a role model.	Stephen
Life experience. Powerful voice. Active advocacy. Connection. Will "show up"!	Alisha R.