BHCBH General Assemblies

PURPOSE

BHCBH General Assemblies bring together community residents—both youth and adults, community based organizations, and systems leaders. There are three core intentions BHCBH has with General Assemblies. A General Assembly may focus on one or more purposes, and specific objectives for each assembly, including number of participants, will differ.

1. To serve as an entry point to BHCBH—introducing people to the initiative as a whole and to its campaigns, and inviting them to participate.
2. To serve as a space for learning—learning about issues that affect Boyle Heights, exchanging stories, and building capacity to advocate for change.
3. To serve as a space to leverage power—engaging systems leaders in dialogue about issues facing the community and the policies, practices, and resources needed for a healthier Boyle Heights.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

General Assemblies should

1. be fun.
2. be family-friendly and intergenerational.
3. send a consistent message about BHCBH.
4. aim to reach residents across all of Boyle Heights.
5. be culturally relevant and multi-lingual.
6. have clear objectives for participants and targets that guide its design.
7. be action-oriented.
8. include a plan to follow up with participants.

ROLES

- General Assembly Lead Organizer: The works groups will lead the development and implementation of General Assemblies, although other BHCBH committees or task forces may also be the lead for a General Assembly. Assignments of responsibility will take place at the Steering Committee.
- The Youth Engagement Committee and the Community Engagement Committee: Both committees need to be involved in the design and implementation of General Assemblies.
- Collaborative Members: All members are expected to attend and actively outreach for General Assemblies, understanding that the level and intensity of participation will vary depending on objectives for each Assembly.