January 29, 2024, FY2025-2027 SPIL SILC Goals Meeting Notes

Team Members Present: Jamia Davis, Stephanie Deible, Mindy Kulasa, Erica Coulston, Jan Lampman, Steve Locke.

Drafting Michigan’s FY2025-2027 SILC SPIL Goals

* This workgroup is a subset that will feed back into the larger SPIL writing team that is made up of some CIL directors and council members. We will also have representation from the DSE for their section of the SPIL.
* The Community Needs Assessment survey is located on our website [www.misilc.org](http://www.misilc.org) and is also being sent out through our social media channels. We currently have 124 responses.

FY2025 – 2027 SPIL Timeline Review

* Steve reviewed the timeline.

Now - May 1, 2024: Continue Gathering Public Input

May 1, 2024: Draft SPIL Complete for Public Comment

May 1, 2024 – May 30, 2024: Public Comment Period on Draft SPIL

June 30, 2024: SPIL Due to ACL

Public Input Review

* We held two SPIL public input meeting sessions via Zoom. Monday, January 15th, 2024, one person gave input and Saturday, January 20th, 2024, two people gave input.
* We need to find other avenues of getting the word out to get more public input into this.
* Are there any other organizations, departments, boards, or affiliations that provide consumers with newsletters or weekly updates? Does Dr. Frank Animikwam have any connections in the medical field to be able to reach out to folks to get the word out about our Zoom Public Input Meetings?
* Steve will send out an email to the Council members to see if they have any affiliations with other groups where we might be able to get the word out through other networks.
* The Community Mental Health Association of Michigan does a weekly update newsletter, and we can ask Bob to promote our upcoming Zoom Public Input in some of these weekly updates.
* What other organizations can we reach out to? The Arc of Michigan, DD Council, MI Dept. of Education/Special Education, MI Dept. of Civil Rights, Michigan United Cerebral Palsy, Brain Injury Association of Michigan, Autism Society of Michigan, NAMI Michigan, Disability Rights Michigan, Jamia will reach out to Easter Seals and Michigan Legal Help, Michigan Disability Rights Coalition, Michigan Alliance for Families, Area Agencies on Aging.
* We will be scheduling our February Public Input Sessions this week.

CIL Network Goals

* The CIL Network has a meeting set for early February 2024. To discuss/determine what goals they would like to see in the next SPIL.

State Level Partnership Goals for CIL Network and SILC

* We did receive a response from the network regarding their advocacy life issue areas and they will be advocacy, housing, and transportation. They did not have any real specific direction they wanted to pursue.
* The CILs would like SILC to take the lead on what we end up doing with those. The SPIL Writing Team will be meeting on February 5th and Steve will get more clarity on that, in terms of what direction we go in.
* Steve reviewed the notes from the October 2023 SPIL Writing Team meeting.

SILC Goals

1. Mental Health (Mindy, Erica & Lisa Kisiel) – Potential Partners: NAMI
2. Housing (Jamia & CILs) – HUD Section 8
3. Transportation (Aaron, Stephanie & Steve) – City Planning Commissions
4. Accessibility – Systems Access, Physical Access, Accessible Housing, Airplane Access
5. Direct Care Workers (Jan)
6. Aging Blind Population (Lisa)

* What direction does SILC want to go on these?
* Erica was able to reconnect Steve with Bob Sheehan from Community Mental Health Association of Michigan. They have a strong behavioral health coalition going on right now. Bob sent their position statement on the direct care worker issue that SILC has been working on. The Community Mental Health Association of Michigan is going to be a great partner in terms of our mental health advocacy.
* Steve shared SILC SPIL Goals/Objectives Sub-writing Team handout document. These are some extracts from the SPIL instructions. It goes over each section of the SPIL and explains what information should go in each section.
* One option is to bring in a professional company that can help us design, launch and evaluate a full-blown advocacy initiative that revolves around the SILC, SILC members and the CILs. It could be designed in a way where we could bring in other groups, but SILC would be the driving force in that advocacy.

Approach to and Assignment of SPIL Sections

* This will be a task for the SPIL writing team.

Public Comment

* No public comment was given.

Future Meeting Dates

* February 12th @ 3:30pm