



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**

Human Services Agency

**DATE:** May 1, 2007  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2007  
**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** None  
**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Beverly Beasley Johnson, J.D., Director, Human Services Agency  
Mark Lane, Director, Children and Family Services

**SUBJECT:** Adolescent Collaborative Action Team Strategic Plan

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- A) Accept the report on Adolescent Collaborative Action Team (ACAT) Strategic Plan implementation and achievements for FYs 2003-2006; and
- B) Approve the ACAT Strategic Plan for 2007-2010.

**VISION ALIGNMENT:**

**Commitment:** Ensure basic health and safety for all.

**Goal 6 & 8:** Children grow up healthy in safe and supportive homes and neighborhoods and Help vulnerable people, the aged, disabled, mentally ill, at-risk youth and others achieve a better quality of life.

The ACAT contributes to this commitment and goals by providing direction and collaboration for improved adolescent services.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):**

ACAT will utilize the Strategic Plan to formulate ongoing education at monthly meetings and provide a forum for collaboration to create service improvement. Progress will be measured by attendance at monthly meetings and the records regarding educational presentations associated with the seven goal areas of the Strategic Plan.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Children's Collaborative Action Team (CCAT) made a decision in 2000 to create a separate collaborative sub-committee to address the needs of adolescents in San Mateo County. In 2003, a three-year Strategic Plan was developed to guide the work of the collaborative. Primary plan development was accomplished through the ACAT Steering Committee that is comprised of leaders in each of the goal areas. The results of that plan and the development of new objectives are now complete. ACAT continues to meet monthly to provide for communication among service providers, education regarding new program trends in San Mateo County, and to serve in an advisory capacity where needed for funding efforts. ACAT has the involvement of over 80 agencies in San Mateo County.

**DISCUSSION:**

The ACAT Strategic Plan is comprised of seven goal areas. Goals include strengthening services in mentoring, education for lifelong career goals, business community investment in youth, health and access to healthcare, transitions to affordable housing, safety for families and communities, and youth well being and asset development. ACAT strongly encourages attention to youth concerns and youth involvement. One fourth of ACAT meetings are direct presentations by youth and consumers of youth services. ACAT reports regularly to its umbrella collaborative, CCAT, which provides funding for infrastructure and administrative tasks.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact for the ACAT Strategic Plan for 2007-2010.