



# San Mateo County Health Equity Initiatives

**Health Equity Initiatives (HEIs)** build wellness and peace of mind in San Mateo County communities. Each Initiative meets monthly to discuss, plan, and implement activities to improve the health of their community. HEIs are a collaboration of County staff, community partners, behavioral health consumers/clients, family members, and community stakeholders. Activities include:

- **Creating educational resources** for community members, with consideration to cultural and language needs
- **Facilitating professional development trainings** for health and social service providers on culturally-responsive practices for working with diverse clients
- **Offering free community-based workshops**, support groups, and other learning opportunities
- **Planning fun events and celebrations** that honor the strengths and resilience of the community



**Join us! Help build wellness in your community.**  
**All are welcome at HEI meetings.**

# Health Equity Initiative Meeting Details 2017-2018

Please contact co-chairs for most up-to-date information.

Initiative	Day	Time	Location	Co-chair
<b>African American Community Initiative</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. of the month	10:30am-12:00pm	San Mateo BHRS; 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Room 209, San Mateo	<b>Talisha Racy</b> <a href="mailto:tracy@smcgov.org">tracy@smcgov.org</a> (650) 363-4111 <b>Tennille Tucker</b> <a href="mailto:ttucker@smcgov.org">ttucker@smcgov.org</a> (650) 508-6780
<b>Chinese Health Initiative</b>	Last Thurs. of the month	3:00-4:30pm	San Mateo BHRS; 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Room 201, San Mateo	<b>Sylvia Tang</b> <a href="mailto:stang@smcgov.org">stang@smcgov.org</a> (650) 578-7165 <b>Steve Sust</b> <a href="mailto:susts@stanford.edu">susts@stanford.edu</a>
<b>Diversity and Equity Council</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Fri. of the month	11:00am-12:30pm	Pyramid Alternatives; 1720 S Amphlett Blvd Suite 123 , San Mateo	<b>Narges Dillon</b> <a href="mailto:narges.dillon@star-vista.org">narges.dillon@star-vista.org</a> (650) 339-5537 <b>Briana Evans</b> <a href="mailto:bcevans@smcgov.org">bcevans@smcgov.org</a>
<b>Filipino Mental Health Initiative</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs. of the month	3:30-5:00pm	PBRC; 2121 Junipero Serra Blvd., Daly City	<b>Christi Morales</b> <a href="mailto:fmhismc@gmail.com">fmhismc@gmail.com</a> (650) 489-5046 <b>Stephanie Balon</b> <a href="mailto:fmhismc@gmail.com">fmhismc@gmail.com</a> (650) 387-7142
<b>Latino Collaborative</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Tues. of the month	3:30-5:00pm	San Mateo BHRS; 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Room 201, San Mateo	<b>Frances Lobos</b> <a href="mailto:flobos@smcgov.org">flobos@smcgov.org</a> (650) 372-3272 <b>Adriana Taylor</b> <a href="mailto:adriana@casaofsanmateo.org">adriana@casaofsanmateo.org</a> (650) 517-5844
<b>Native American Initiative</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> . Thurs. of the month	8:30–10:00am	San Mateo BHRS; 1950 Alameda De Las Pulgas, San Mateo	<b>Gloria Gutierrez</b> <a href="mailto:ggutierrez@smcgov.org">ggutierrez@smcgov.org</a> (650) 573-2076
<b>Pacific Islander Initiative</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Tues. of the month	6:00-7:30pm	Peninsula Conflict Resolution Center; 1660 S Amphlett Blvd Suite 219, San Mateo	<b>Unaloto Vaka</b> <a href="mailto:uvaka@pcrcweb.org">uvaka@pcrcweb.org</a> <b>Daniel Naha-Ve'evalu</b> <a href="mailto:dnaha-veevalu@smcgov.org">dnaha-veevalu@smcgov.org</a> (650) 372-6139
<b>PRIDE Initiative</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed. of the month (exc. June)	3:30-5:00pm	SMC Pride Center; 1021 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo	<b>Regina Moreno</b> <a href="mailto:RMoreno@smcgov.org">RMoreno@smcgov.org</a> (650) 312-5352 <b>Dana Johnson</b> <a href="mailto:theractivist@gmail.com">theractivist@gmail.com</a>
<b>Spirituality Initiative</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. of the month (exc. Dec.)	12:30-2:00pm	Silicon Valley Community Foundation 1300 South El Camino Real, Room 112A, San Mateo	<b>Melinda Ricossa</b> <a href="mailto:maparker@smcgov.org">maparker@smcgov.org</a> (650) 372-8573 <b>Bill Kruse</b> <a href="mailto:bkruse@churchfortoday.net">bkruse@churchfortoday.net</a>

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