# Teamwork Makes the Dream Work!

**Fostering Community Partnerships** 

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## Who Do We Partner With?

#### Naloxone and REVIVE!

- MAT Medication Assisted Treatment
- Rams in Recovery

#### Health Clinics

- Capital Area Health Network
- Health Brigade

#### Schools

- Community Colleges
- Universities



## Who Do We Partner With?

- American Heart Association
  - Blood pressure screenings
- Virginia Special Olympics Summer Games
  - Healthy Athletes Center
- Local Governments
  - Hanover County Rabies
  - Henrico Canvassing
- Red Cross
  - Sound the Alarm





## Look Internally!

#### Health Department Programs

- STI Clinics
- LATCH Program
- LEAD Safe / Healthy Homes
- REVIVE!
- Tobacco Cessation



### Where Do You Start?

- Staff
  - Some of your biggest advocates
- **Community Meetings** 
  - Collective Impact
  - TRIAD
- Your Volunteers!
  - Yearly Survey

### Greater Richmond





#### Greater Richmond MRC Feedback Survey

We want to hear from you, our MRC volunteers, about the future of our unit! You are the heart of our organization, so your input is very valuable! Thank you for taking a few moments to answer!



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How long have you been a volunteer in our unit?

- Less than 1 year
- Between 1 yr and 5 yr
- Between 5 yr and 10 yr
- Over 10 years

When are you most available?

## Other Things to Consider

- Partnerships can come from unexpected places
  - Community ToolBank
- Knowing what we CAN vs CAN'T DO...
  - MOA/MOUs
  - What is in our wheelhouse?
  - It's okay to say NO. We can't do everything
- Get Creative! Think outside the box

### **Questions?**

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