Meeting Notes

Subject: Simcoe County Data Consortium Winter Meeting

Meeting Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021

Meeting Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Chair: Victoria Chapman, County of Simcoe

Attendance:

Rosslyn Junke, United Way Simcoe Muskoka

- Grant Hudolin, County of Simcoe
- Morgane Dunot, County of Simcoe
- Tiffany Boening, County of Simcoe
- Leah Nicholson, Simcoe County District School Board
- Rudy Grewal, County of Simcoe
- Mark Jones, Tay Township
- Sandra Lee, County of Simcoe
- Carina Nunes, Simcoe County District School Board
- William Sze, Children's Treatment Network of Simcoe
- Marisha Holmberg, Children's Treatment Network of Simcoe

Link to PowerPoint Presentation

1. Welcome and Introductions

Group shared current projects they are working on. Tiffany mentioned Community Economic Profiles that are internal documents at the moment and are shared with member municipalities upon request. Tiffany also highlighted the economic indicator dashboard on the County website: https://edo.simcoe.ca/Pages/Simcoe-County-Economic-Indicators-Dashboard.aspx. Morgane shared on the upcoming Immigrant Health Outcome survey which will collect general health status and needs of newcomers and immigrants within Simcoe County. Marisha shared on her interest and need for data on children with disabilities. Leah shared that SCDSB will be conducting a survey on students this year.

2. CDP Updates

a. Leads update

Victoria provided updates detailed in the attached PowerPoint.

b. Data Purchasing and Access Working group meeting updates

Victoria provided updates from the working groups detailed in the attached PowerPoint. Victoria conducted a select all that apply poll to see how members feel most comfortable sharing feedback on Consortium details. 41% selected e-mail, 29% selected anonymous surveys e-mailed, 11% selected Consortium meetings, 11% selected anonymous surveys on the Extranet and 5% selected Extranet discussion board. Other responses were not collected due to technical issues with the Whiteboard function. Victoria shared that the Longitudinal Immigration Database (IMDB) was the most downloaded datafile by Simcoe County Data Consortium members in 2020.

c. New tables

Victoria provided updates on new tables in the CDP data catalogue detailed in the attached PowerPoint. The group showed interest in accessing CDP Tableau Dashboards which was discussed later in the meeting. Rosslyn shared community feedback on CMHC data that it is often out of date and not reflective of current situations in our local market.

d. Training and Capacity Building

Victoria provided updates from the working group detailed in the attached PowerPoint. Victoria conducted a poll to see which past webinars members had participated in, 40% selected Introduction to Tableau, 20% selected Doing More with Tableau, 20% selected Monitoring Community Vulnerability with CDP Data and 20% selected Living Room Conversation on Housing Data.

3. Local Updates

Morgane shared on the Federal https://Lipdata.ca dashboard. Rosslyn commented on the importance of using data to show the need for more newcomer support in the County.

a. Overview of Solutions Lab: Developing easy-to-use community decision-making tools to help achieve National Housing Strategy goals

Victoria shared detail on the CDP Solutions Lab in the attached PowerPoint. Victoria conducted a poll to collect members interest in the project. Over half (55%) of attendees were interested in the results, 22% would like to contribute to results and 22% would like to actively participate in brainstorming focus groups/activities. **Action:** Victoria will follow up with members who are interested in actively participating.

Tiffany expressed interest in the need for data on seasonal residents. Group thought about MPAC data, voting patterns, those who purchased seasonal residences, cottage associations and private short term accommodations. Group discussed changes between the 2016 and 2021 Census boundaries. Tiffany shared on the importance of excluding Borden from Essa. Comments on realigning economic areas were also discussed. Sandra shared a document from StatsCan: Preliminary 2021 Census Metropolitan Area and Census Agglomeration Delineation https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/92f0138m/92f0138m2019002-eng.htm.

4. New Business

a. Using Tableau Reader to View CDP Dashboards

Victoria shared her experience downloading and using the CDP Community Recovery Dashboard. Victoria recommended members reach out to their IT departments to ensure the software is approved and assist in downloading. Group discussed that dashboards provide digestible information that is engaging to look at and expressed they are useful for sharing and discussing information.

5. Next Meeting

a. June 3rd, 2021