ARCHI Quarterly Breakfast Summary December 7, 2016

Thanks to the 120 attendees who joined us to celebrate ARCHI's accomplishments in 2016! If you were not able to make it, here are some of the meeting highlights:

- Evonne Yancey, ARCHI's interim executive director, welcomed the meeting attendees, reviewed the agenda, and invited first time attendees to stand and introduce themselves. Evonne welcomed our visitors from the Tenderloin Health Improvement Partnership in San Francisco. The visitors are peers we are connected with through the Spreading Community Accelerators through Learning and Evaluation (SCALE) initiative.
- Evonne then provided a review of ARCHI's 2016 accomplishments that included highlights in the following areas: leadership, fundraising, partners, branding and communications, alignment, collaboration, the transformational communities, and recognition. For more information please see the ARCHI year in review report!
- Karen Minyard of the Georgia Health Policy Center announced that the Steering Committee has hired ARCHI's first full-time executive director- Kathryn Lawler! The announcement was very well-received. Kathryn will start in this new role on January 2nd.
- Robyn Bussey of the Georgia Health Policy Center led a panel that shared the results of the Atlanta Regional Commission's 2016 Metro Atlanta Speaks Survey, and how those results align with disparity issues identified in the Tri Cities Transformational Community. The panel was comprised of Ginneh Baugh of the United Way of Greater Atlanta, Mike Carnathan of the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC), Dan Enger of Global Dialogues, and Mary Wilson of the Tri-Cities Stewardship Group.
- The Metro Atlanta Speaks Survey presentation included several important issues including an increase in residents' concern about transportation, increasing support for transit, a rising concern regarding crime, food insecurity, and that a significant number of residents would have trouble paying a \$400 unexpected expense as well as improvements in the economy, and optimism for the future of the region. More information is available in the PowerPoint presentation as well as on the ARC's website.
- Dan Enger shared a story that he composed from information shared through the community conversations in Tri-Cities. The story illustrated the difficulties of a high school student and her family living in poverty who has a sincere desire to see improvements in her family and community.

- Mary Wilson shared how the 2016 Metro Atlanta Speaks Survey results mirror issues identified in TriCities and highlighted how the data and stories have been utilized in the development of the Tri-Cities community plan.
- Karen closed the meeting with reflections of the many reasons to celebrate 2016, the inspiring presentations, and excitement about what 2017 has to offer. She also invited attendees who have not done so to sign a partner agreement.
- Please hold the date! The next ARCHI quarterly meeting will be held on March 15th from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Commerce Club. Additional meetings are scheduled for June 21st, September 13th, and December 6th.