

SURVEY SAYS

FAST FACTS

About The Village 2025 Member Survey

37% of The Village network members responded to the survey.

92% of The Village survey respondents understand the network's mission.

87% of survey respondents believe The Village priorities of Increasing Spaces & Places for Service, Better Service Coordination and Increasing Community and Organizational Capacity are still relevant.

Village members understand the value of what the network has been able to achieve so far and are now looking for its help to provide the organizational capacity required to enable members to better operationalize their collaborative relationships in support of community children, youth and families.

Strong connections are a vital part of an effective network. The Village is bringing community organizations together which share the understanding of how important collaboration and integration of child, youth and family services is to a rapidly growing and changing region.

What Needs More Work

Whether it's enabling cross-sectoral collaborations or finding more affordable, accessible and appropriate programming spaces, Village network members need help to move from ideas to concrete actions. Most network organizations lack the extra leadership bandwidth to coordinate new opportunities, so work needs to be done to provide the organizational capacity to support meaningful action.

What's Working

- **Cross-sectoral networking and relationship development** that involves the public, private and non-profit sectors.
- Convening events like the **Art of the Possible**, annual gathering of **Child & Youth Service Providers**, **Youth Health Symposium** (Adolescent Health Survey) enable members to come together to learn about the latest data impacting their work, exchange views and share solutions which benefit community.
- **Community of Practice** for frontline service providers.
- Serving as a catalyst in helping to develop a **Foundry** model to serve our unique region.

61% of survey respondents are concerned about the financial sustainability of their community service organizations. In these challenging times, working together to support community needs is more important than ever.