

### **Our Vision, Mission and Values**

#### **Vision Statement**

Ventura County is a place where people and communities embrace a culture of healthy eating and active living.

#### **Mission Statement**

We educate, advocate and mobilize around issues related to healthy eating and active living in Ventura County.

### **Values (Guiding Principles)**

**Wellness:** We foster wellness by supporting a culture of prevention

**Knowledge and Innovation:** As a trusted resource, we value current research, best practices and innovation. We are committed to inquiry and sharing of knowledge

**Equity:** In all aspects of our work, we strive for equity, inclusiveness and cultural relevance.

**Collaboration and Partnership:** We are focused on aligning work, leveraging strategies, engaging communities, and practicing effective communication.

### Tag Line

Eat smart, move more and live well!



## **Our Approach**

#### 1. We Educate

Building knowledge and capacity through:

- Training/Workshops
- Technical Assistance
- Peer Learning
- Web-based tools and resources

#### 2. We Advocate

Building awareness, commitment and inspiring change through:

- Strengthening community advocacy
- Sharing success stories
- Engaging decision makers
- Linking with others on critical issues

#### 3. We Mobilize

Spurring action, behavior and systems change by:

- Convening partners and stakeholders
- Supporting innovation and best practices
- Implementing PHVC Objectives
- Building upon our education and advocacy efforts

Focus Areas (Committees)			
Healthy at School			
Healthy at Work			
Healthy at Healthcare			
Healthy at Home			
Healthy in your Neighborhood			

Workgroups			
Policy Workgroup			
Communications Workgroup			

The Policy and Communication workgroups support the internal structure of PHVC. They develop and implement SMART objectives for their respective areas, participate on the Steering Committee and can provide technical assistance to committees.

# **Our Organizational Structure**



# **Leadership Team**

Description	Authority & Responsibilities	
Consists of Chair, Co-Chair and representatives from each backbone organization.	<ul> <li>May speak on behalf of PHVC</li> <li>Chair and Co-Chair serve two-year overlapping terms</li> <li>Can make recommendations to the steering committee related to infrastructure and management</li> </ul>	

# **Steering Committee**

Description	Authority & Responsibilities		
Led by PHVC Chair and Co-Chair	Members serve one-year, renewable		
Represents each committee/workgroup, and backbone organization(s)	<ul><li>terms</li><li>Members represent their work committee</li></ul>		
Supports inter-committee communications and cross-collaborative work	<ul><li>and support the PHVC Charter</li><li>Members commit to attending monthly</li></ul>		
Helps select and frame focus areas	steering/work committee meetings		
Helps forge ground on complex issues with multiple stakeholders	Steering Committee can make decision for PHVC (with input from full membership)		
Helps to align committee/workgroup objectives with PHVC mission			
Makes recommendations for quarterly meeting topics and speakers			

# **Backbone Organizations**

Description	Authority & Responsibilities	
<ul> <li>Ventura County Public Health</li> <li>Facilities, data, technical assistance, grant participation, website and domain hosting, clerical and administrative support (staff)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provides operational resources in alignment with their organizational mission</li> <li>Representative participates on the</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>First 5 Ventura County</li> <li>Website design/content, newsletter, social</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>steering committee</li> <li>Representative attends monthly meetings</li> </ul>	
media, technical assistance, collateral communications support (staff)	and may participate on a committee or workgroup	

# Our Organizational Structure, continued

## **Work Committees**

Description	Authority & Responsibilities	
<ul> <li>Healthy at School</li> <li>Healthy at Work</li> <li>Healthy at the Doctor</li> <li>Healthy at Home</li> <li>Healthy in your Neighborhood</li> <li>Policy Work Group</li> <li>Communication Work Group</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Create at least one approved SMART objective per year and implement strategies (projects) that support it</li> <li>Elect a Chair and Co-Chair, one of which will provide representation on the PHVC Steering Committee</li> <li>Attend monthly meetings and meet as needed to fulfill objective(s)</li> </ul>	

Committee Name	Description	Examples
Healthy at School	Preschool, K-12, adult education, college	Educate re: garden enhanced nutrition education
Eat smart, move more, live well at school.		Advocate for policies that limit junk food in schools
Healthy at Work	Where people work or volunteer	Mobilize employers to establish workplace wellness policies
Eat smart, move more, live well at work.		Mobilize employers to support employees who breastfeed
Healthy at Healthcare  Eat smart, move more,	Healthcare offices, clinics, hospitals, , ,	Educate and mobilize physicians to provide and bill for obesity counseling
live well at the doctor.		Mobilize providers to use 5-2-1-0 educational materials
Healthy at Home	Houses, apartments, shelters	Educate and mobilize families to share meals
Eat smart, move more, live well at home.		Educate about the importance of limiting screen time
Healthy in your Neighborhood	Public spaces, commercial establishments, activity sites	At community events, educate and mobilize people with PHVC messaging
Eat smart, move more, live well in your neighborhood.		Mobilize seniors to participate in free recreational activities
		Advocate for community recreation sites

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