CAM 2.0
Sustaining Agency Resilience for Racial & Economic Equity
Community Action Marin stands for values of relationship, inclusivity, unity, and service. Our work is to eliminate the causes and consequences of poverty in Marin County. How will we achieve this?

To inspire our actions, we have aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, Goal #1: No Poverty, adopted by the United Nations. To create the roadmap for our efforts in partnership with community, we have adopted CAM 2.0 as a prioritization of four guiding goals. This document offers a vision of what success looks like for each of these goals and it strengthens our agency’s clarity of purpose to achieve racial and economic equity.

We know that at the heart of all we do lies our trust in people and their trust in us. We recognize that we cannot go it alone, that we must collaborate and strategically partner to get to desired outcomes. The voices of consumers, youth, low-wage workers, and grassroots leaders must be invited to our table so that the principles of community action will work. Data must be a focus in our decision-making, and we must use stories and facts to move the needle for people of low income—disproportionately people of color in Marin County. Finally, we recognize that reaching our goals will require advocacy to change laws and policies.

We are ready. We are in your corner.

Chandra Alexandre
Chief Executive Officer
OUR VISION

All of us in Marin have an equal opportunity to live our lives with dignity and respect.

OUR MISSION

We make it possible for people to achieve well-being by providing the education, mental health, and vital services they need. Together, we break down the barriers that get in the way of fair and lasting change in service to better outcomes for all.

PURPOSE

To give all employees and board a clear set of goals that will strengthen our mission and align us around the work required to achieve our agency’s vision.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide leadership and staff with a roadmap for what’s needed to get to and sustain our desired future state.
- Elevate transparency, collaboration, accountability, and inclusion.
- Create a shared sense of ownership around the goals and trust in the process of change needed to achieve them.
- Demonstrate the usefulness of Results-Oriented Management and Accountability (ROMA) in support of strengthening a learning orientation and growth mindset agency-wide.
- Inform future strategic planning efforts.
**ACTION FOR ALL LEADERS**

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GOAL 1
Each Employee Belongs

Establish an inclusive culture and create a warm & professional work climate.

Key Staff:
Supervisors, Staff Council, Executives

WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

We live our values of Relationship, Unity, Inclusivity, and Service within an inclusive, diverse, and equitable workplace.

We respect and support each other in our shared effort to improve the lives of our clients and the community.

Our individual strengths are appreciated as we connect, learn, and grow at work.
GOAL 2
Access to Services

Enhance impact through a focus on listening to needs and on leveraging community strengths.

WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

We partner with our clients as one agency within a community of resources to help people reach self-sufficiency.

We have a no-wrong-door approach and always consider both the needs and strengths of clients. The services we provide span a crisis-to-thriving continuum in support of individual, family and community well-being.

Key Staff:
Success Coaches
- Family Advocates
- Home Visitors
- Family Partners
- Peer Specialists
- CARE Teams
- Economic Opportunity Coaches
- Client Intake Specialists
GOAL 3
A Whole-Family Focus

Implement a whole-family, multi-generational approach to help people thrive.

Key Staff:
Program Directors

WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

We have an agency-wide mindset that puts people at the center. Our programs support children, parents, and older adults within the community family.

Across generations, trusted relationships are the foundation of better outcomes today and tomorrow.
GOAL 4
Continuous Improvement

Increase effectiveness & excellence through a focus on planning, learning, data, and outcomes.

WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?

Our policies, systems, structures, and processes support shared expectations and outcomes that align with our mission and move us toward excellence.

We have the training, skills, metrics, and analytics that allow us to achieve meaningful impact.

We learn by looking back on what we’ve done, evaluating, and working forward to success.

Key Staff:
Pathways to Excellence
Cross-Agency Team
CORE COMPETENCIES
Competencies are the skills and attributes that people need to perform effectively. You can think of them as the kind of actions and behaviors the organization values and which it requires to achieve its objectives.

We expect all staff to have these.

• **Equity mindset**: a belief that all people have an equal opportunity to attain self-sufficiency. It’s about respecting all people equally regardless of background, race or gender.
• **Expertise**: the training and experience needed to ensure job success.
• **Cultural humility**: a humble and respectful attitude toward individuals of other cultures. It involves challenging our own cultural biases and a curiosity about other cultures.
• **Client orientation**: a recognition that the agency and all who serve in it are part of our community family. We put people first.
• **Reliability**: is doing what you say you will do.
• **Kindness**: is being considerate. It means caring about the well-being of others.
• **Empathy**: the ability to sense or understand the feelings of others. It’s about putting ourselves in someone else’s shoes.
THEORY OF CHANGE

Everyone Belongs

Access to Services

Strong relationships
Understand needs and opportunities
Connect to programming
Adapt programming
Community is connected to services and empowered to shape them

Whole Family Approach

Children and Family Services
Comprehensive education, health and social services
Academic and SEL development

Safety Net
Emergency assistance
Meet needs and achieve stability

Economic Opportunity
Workforce and financial coaching
Meet career and financial goals

Mental Health
Peer-led mental health services
Improve health and wellness

Partnerships
Families have more time, money, peace of mind, and access to services

Advocacy
Support efforts that promote an equitable society

Policies are passed and implemented for sustainable change

Continuous Improvement

Children, families, and individuals have the resources, support, and power needed to reach their goals and potential

VISION: All of us in Marin have an equal opportunity to live our lives with dignity and respect
“As we seek to achieve lasting and equitable outcomes across generations, our starting place is in our own house. The work of our agency is people-centered and values based. What we stand for drives how we show up, and it’s what moves us forward.

The culture we’re creating through CAM 2.0 is the conduit for resilience in partnership with community. We know that changing ourselves changes the world, and that sustainability only comes by empowering the cycle of well-being.

We are committed to taking on the challenge of reaching our goals because we’re stronger and better together—and everyone in Marin County deserves an equal opportunity to live, work, play, and serve here with dignity and respect.”

—Chandra Alexandre, CEO