

# The Forsyth Promise

## Collaborative Action Invitation and Information Request

### INTRODUCTION

The Forsyth Promise is a broad-based community partnership that focuses on improving outcomes for children and youth from cradle to career. The vision of The Forsyth Promise is to ensure that every child in Forsyth County receives the best education possible and is fully equipped to thrive throughout life.

Collaborative Action Networks (CANs) are groups of community stakeholders and service providers who develop strategies to improve community-level outcomes. As a learning community, CANs will build common measures, coordinate resources, as well as share and adopt best practices. Currently The Forsyth Promise has CANs formed around the outcomes of Prepared for Kindergarten from Birth, Graduates High School Equipped for College or Career, and Completes Post-Secondary.

### VALUE ADD

- **Technical Assistance** – Ongoing technical assistance around data use, continuous improvement, and client engagement.
- **Participating in a learning community** – Participants will get exposure to local best practices.
- **Facilitation** – Networks will have facilitation and meeting coordination support.
- **Advocacy** – Where networks have identified local policy changes that would supplement or support a networks work towards improving outcomes.
- **Access to Resources** – The partnership has access to national, state and local expertise that can provide consultation.

### EXPECTATIONS

- Complete the following organization information form and return to [forsythpromise@gmail.com](mailto:forsythpromise@gmail.com).
- Identify a staff member(s) that can regularly attend and participate in CAN meetings.
- **Be data driven** – Be willing to share your own data. (Note: Data and confidentiality will be strictly protected).
- **Bring a network systems perspective** – Seek ways to coordinate existing resources and services, build aligned action toward a shared goal, and develop a system of common measurement.
- **Adopt best practices** – Participating organizations agree to adopt/adapt best practices identified in the collaborative action network as appropriate.

### SELECT A COLLABORATIVE ACTION NETWORK:

- Preparation for Kindergarten from Birth
- Graduates from High School Equipped for College or Career
- Completes Post-Secondary

**We will contact you with additional details about upcoming CAN meetings.**

*Please provide general information about your organization and the services your organization provides. Please answer each question to the best of your ability. If you have any questions, please contact Adam Hill ([adam@forsythfutures.org](mailto:adam@forsythfutures.org)) or at (336) 721-9361.*

**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

1. Your Name:
2. Organizational Affiliation and Title:
3. Brief Description of Organization or Mission Statement:
  
4. Executive Director or Equivalent:
5. Your Phone Number:
6. Your E-mail Address:

**SERVICES/PROGRAMS DESCRIPTION**

7. Please fill in the table below with the services or programs that your organization currently provides? (For example: Family Support Services, Tutoring, After School Enrichment, Technology, Youth Development, College Access, etc.)

Services/ Programs	Brief Description of Services/Programs	Target Population	Number of Students/ Residents Served	Geographic Area of Students/ Residents Served

If there are additional services/programs, please continue on the back of the form.

**PRIORITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

8. What are the current priorities for your organization (or services/programs) in the upcoming year?

9. What are your organization's growth areas in the upcoming year(s)?

**DATA USE AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT:**

10. How is your organization currently using data?

11. How is your organization evaluating services? (Please include any data your organization uses for evaluation.)

12. If your organization is not using data what are the barriers? (Access, expertise, time, etc.)

13. Continuous improvement is an ongoing effort to improve services and processes incrementally over time. Is your organization currently using continuous improvement processes? If yes, please describe here.

**PARTICIPATION:**

14. What do you or your organization hope to gain by participating in a CAN?

15. What do you or your organization hope to contribute by being part of a CAN?