

Roadmap to the Future: Overview of Outcomes

Vision: The Roadmap to the Future is a long-term plan to help effectively coordinate the services, supports, and opportunities children, youth, and families in Yolo County need to thrive, as well as establish a shared framework to ensure their healthy development.

Project Description: On June 27, 2021, 21 local Yolo County elected leaders co-authored an opinion editorial in local newspapers (*The Davis Enterprise, Winters Express*) entitled “Mapping the Future for Yolo County Youths.” The op-ed called for development of a long-term plan to confront the issues of poverty and physical and mental health facing Yolo County children and youth, which are exacerbated as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Following the op-ed, Yolo County Supervisor Jim Provenza, Yolo County Assessor, Clerk-Recorder and Chief Election Official Jesse Salinas, Yolo County Superintendent of Schools Garth Lewis, and City of Davis Vice-Mayor Lucas Frerichs, convened Yolo County leaders to determine next steps, which resulted in a request for \$450,000 from Yolo County, the Yolo County Office of Education (“YCOE”), all four cities in Yolo County, and the five school districts to develop a “Roadmap to the Future” for Yolo County children, youth, and families. The Roadmap to the Future consists of four phases led by YCOE with support from community partners and consultants. The deliverables for each phase form the foundation for development of a long-term plan with measurable objectives and actions.

- **Phase 0 [Completed]:** YCOE led three virtual Children, Youth and Family Convenings from August 2021-February 2022 in Phase 0 to develop the principles and shared priorities that continue to guide the path of the Roadmap to the Future. Over 50 elected officials and community leaders attended the virtual convenings, which served to develop the principles and shared priorities to guide the project. A grant from the James B. McClatchy Foundation provided funding for the convenings.
- **Phase 1 and Phase 2 [In Progress]:** YCOE is currently implementing Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Roadmap to the Future, which consists of five components: 1) child and youth development framework; 2) asset maps; 3) needs assessment; 4) community online tool; and 5) final report. Phases 1 and 2 also will include a robust community engagement strategy to seek feedback on these components, including community meetings and outreach to people who may not have the resources to attend meetings but may be interested in providing feedback. This outreach will provide an opportunity for YCOE to verify information about assets, seek additional information, and gather feedback from community members on both strengths and gaps in the system of support. The following provides a brief description of each component in these two phases

1. **Child and Youth Development Framework.** The child and youth development framework will outline key developmental milestones prenatal through 24 years of age. The framework may include milestones related to a child or youth’s physical, social, educational, cultural, organizational, and economic development.

How it will be used: *The child and youth development framework will provide the foundation to assess the adequacy of the support system for children and youth in Yolo County. By describing key milestones, the project team can match assets to milestones and evaluate strengths and gaps in the support system.*

2. **Asset Maps.** The asset maps will outline the existing assets in the community, including place-based locations such as schools, businesses, services, and organizations, county-wide services, and services provided within homes, which provide support to Yolo County’s children, youth, and families. The project team will create a map for each the five Yolo County Supervisorial districts to allow viewers to understand the type and location of current assets. YCOE will categorize assets into the six domains of the Nexus Framework developed by Concordia, a consulting firm partnering with YCOE on the

project: physical, cultural, social, economic, organizational, and educational. These six domains, when considered together, create a picture of the community as a complex system. YCOE will include all completed maps in a final report for use by the community.

How it will be used: *The asset maps will help identify existing assets and support for children, youth, and families in Yolo County. The asset maps also will create a basis for the community online tool.*

- 3. Needs Assessment.** YCOE will conduct a needs assessment to identify areas in which the community should invest to help support children, youth, and families. The needs assessment will include the collection of demographic data to show areas where children and youth 0-24 may need support in relation to the location of existing assets. This information will help identify strengths, gaps, and overlap in assets within the community, culminating in a needs assessment described in detail in the final report.

How it will be used: *The needs assessment will help identify strengths, gaps, and overlap in assets within the community. It also will inform the Children, Youth and Families ARP Workgroup as they allocate \$2.2 million in one-time implementation funds set aside for investments in support services for children, youth, and families. The needs assessment will allow the Children, Youth, and Families ARP Workgroup to make data-informed decisions to maximize opportunity, avoid duplication, and prioritize transformational projects when allocating the funds. The needs assessment could also provide the foundation for future investments.*

- 4. Community Online Tool.** YCOE will develop an interactive, web-based tool to provide simple access for parents, caregivers, children, youth, and the greater community to the resources in Yolo County which support children, youth, and families. Similar to the asset maps, the online tool may include filters for each of the six Nexus domains: physical, social, educational, cultural, organizational, and economic development. It also will align child and youth development milestones with assets and opportunities in Yolo County.

How it will be used: *The community tool will help parents, caregivers, children, youth, and the greater community identify and locate services and resources they need.*

- 5. Final Phase 1 and Phase 2 Report.** YCOE will produce a final report for the development process of the Roadmap to the Future asset maps and community online tool, including data collection, asset maps, community engagement, and a strengths/gaps analysis. The final report will also include the needs assessment based on the analysis of demographic data in relation to assets. YCOE may also provide recommendations to consider for Phase 3 as part of this report, including development of a long-term plan with measurable objectives and actions.

How it will be used: *The report will describe the process through which YCOE developed the asset maps, the needs assessment, and the community online tool, including the results of the community outreach effort. It will also serve as a guide for other jurisdictions which may wish to develop a similar tool for their communities.*

- **Phase 3 [Not Initiated]** The components of Phase 3 of Roadmap to the Future will chart the road ahead but are not yet defined as no funding has been secured for this phase. The approach to Phase 3 also may change because of community feedback received during Phase 1 and 2. The Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) will work with Yolo County and the Children, Youth and Families American Rescue Plan (ARP) Workgroup to develop a scope of work for Phase 3 once Phase 1 and Phase 2 are complete, as ideas or needs may emerge during the previous phases which the community may wish to address. This phase could include development of a long-term plan.

Identified Need: The Roadmap to the Future will inform the long-term, collaborative efforts of organizations and agencies across Yolo County to invest in efforts to ensure the healthy development of Yolo County children, youth, and families. A countywide plan with measurable objectives and actions to guide this collaboration does

not currently exist. Phases 1 and 2 of the Roadmap to the Future will provide county leaders with the information necessary for development of the long-term plan. The data, asset maps, and the community online tool will provide a simple means through which parents, caregivers, educators, children, youth, and the greater community can access information about available services, supports, and opportunities for children, youth, and families. The needs assessment will guide the work of decisionmakers to invest in system improvements. This work will make comprehensive information related to support for children, youth, and families easily accessible for the first time in Yolo County.

Target Audience: The Roadmap to the Future will help parents, caregivers, and educators of children and youth aged 0-24 who need support to connect with available services in Yolo County provided in the community, including local agencies, businesses, and community organizations. Students, young adults, and community members are also part of the target audience. The needs assessment will help decisionmakers who are seeking guidance on opportunities to invest additional funds in services for children, youth, and families and/or wish to align their programs and services to address gaps in the system.

Yolo County Office of Education Roles and Responsibilities: During Phase 1 and Phase 2 of Roadmap to the Future, YCOE and partners will review existing plans, collect data, coordinate with the Children, Youth, and Families ARP Workgroup, and conduct community engagement meetings to secure information for development of asset maps, a community online tool, and the needs assessment. YCOE will strive to ensure the effort is complementary to other planning efforts in the county. Prior to the completion of the online community tool, YCOE will develop a plan for maintenance of the asset map and online tool to ensure ongoing usefulness and accuracy. The plan will assign responsibilities and provide cost estimates to maintain the tool.

The Children, Youth and Families American Rescue Plan (ARP) Workgroup Roles and Responsibilities: The Children, Youth and Families ARP Workgroup is composed of a group of trusted community partners who are serving in an advisory capacity to help advance and develop the Roadmap to the Future project. The workgroup is advising YCOE on technical aspects of the project and assisting with future phase development.

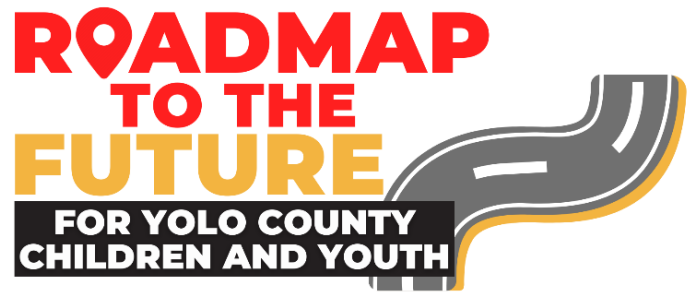
Yolo County Strategic Plan Alignment: The Roadmap to the Future aligns with Yolo County's [2020-2025 Strategic Plan](#) goal of "Thriving Residents", specifically the outcome to reduce economic and educational disparities while building resiliency for vulnerable children and their families.

Update Project Timeline for the Roadmap to the Future

The following is presented as an update on the timeline for the Roadmap to the Future for Yolo County Children and Youth (herein referred to as the “Roadmap”). For more information on the Roadmap, visit <https://www.ycoe.org/roadmap>.

Project Background

In February 2022, Yolo County committed \$200,000 towards the Roadmap project. The Roadmap project will be completed in two phases: asset mapping and Roadmap publication. Once completed, the project will allow the county to better understand and allocate resources needed to enhance youth development countywide. The Children, Youth and Families ARP Workgroup and the Board of Supervisors will use the asset maps to determine how to leverage the \$2.2 million in priority funds set aside to support the Children, Youth and Families category.



PHASE 1 (ASSET AND MAPPING): UPDATES (as of October 25, 2022)

Milestone 1: Development of Roadmap Contracts **Status:** 100% Completed
Expected Completion Date: March 31, 2022
Completion Date: June 2022 (YCOE required additional time to secure the contracts.)

Milestone 2: Publicly Available Data Collection **Status:** 95% Completed
Original Completion Date: May 31, 2022
Expected Completion: December 2022 (YCOE is on a “stop work” with Concordia. Upon the withdrawing of the stop work, Concordia will resume work on this task.)

Milestone 3: Development or Adoption of Child and Youth Development Framework** **Status:** 0% Completed
**This milestone was originally titled, “Development or Adoption of Youth Development Framework” and was renamed under consultation from the Children, Youth and Families ARP workgroup.
Original Completion Date: June 30, 2022
Expected Completion: October 2022-June 2023 (The expected completion has been delayed as YCOE is in the process of identifying a new vendor to complete the child and youth development framework.)

Milestone 4: First Community Engagement Sessions **Status:** 0% Completed
Completed, “Nexus Asset Maps Review and Asset/Opportunity Discussions”
Original Completion Date: August 31, 2022
Expected Completion: Round 1 of the engagement sessions are currently set to occur in February 2023.

Milestone 5: Completion of Initial Asset Mapping Activities with Preliminary Report Out **Status:** 0% Completed
Original Completion Date: December 2022
Expected Completion: February 2023

PHASE 2 (ROADMAP PUBLICATION): UPDATES (as of June 30, 2022)

Milestone 6: Publication of Asset Mapping Draft Report **Status:** 0% Completed
Original Completion Date: December 31, 2022
Expected Completion: June 2023

Milestone 7: Second Community Engagement Sessions Completed, "Roadmap Feedback" **Status:** 0% Completed
Original Completion Date: February 28, 2023
Expected Completion: Round 2 of the engagement sessions are currently set to occur in March 2023.

Milestone 8: Community Online Tool Development** **Status:** 0% Completed
**This milestone was originally titled, "Digital Roadmap Development" and renamed by YCOE upon the renaming of the deliverable.
Original Completion Date: March 31, 2023
Expected Completion: March-September 2023

Milestone 9: Roadmap Final Publication **Status:** 0% Completed
Original Completion Date: April 30, 2023
Expected Completion: September 2023