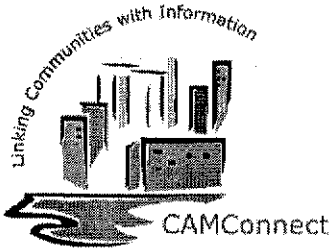


John Bat - Associate Director / Rad Institute  
graduate students - MPA



Health provider breakfast Sept-8?

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→ NCIS - data partnership MEMO pilot project  
↳ demographic/marketing breakdown

6 pager - Exec Summary  
Cancer Coalition  
what's up soon

To: CAMConnect Executive Committee  
From: Derek Ziegler  
Date: September 1, 2005  
Re: Executive Director Update

### FUND DEVELOPMENT / PROPOSALS

Camden Center for Youth Development / CCYSC - I have signed a contract with Greg Allen for data management work (beginning date: 9/1/05). My first tasks will be to meet with the CCYSC Data Committee to determine data availability and data needs. Greg is also interested in preparing a report card on conditions for Camden's youth. This is the work that was first discussed in March 2004 and is in the amount of \$18,000 for two years of work.

2003 plan  
15 indicators  
in 5 year plan

Casey - The Casey proposal was submitted on July 25. This is for \$50,000 for the next year, of which \$20,000 is a match grant. I included \$10,000 for membership development assistance (the remainder of the budget was for CAMConnect staff). Casey has sent a confirmation letter that these funds are on the way. The Casey work plan was designed to be a transition into "sustainability" for CAMConnect, so we did not promise any specific products to them besides to continue to work on what we have been working on. *Is this it?*

Other municipal level work?

take down  
April 8, 2005  
document  
→ set up  
current proposal

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - We are preparing a proposal to receive a grant from RWJF for \$75,000 for their InformationLinks program ([www.informationlinks.org](http://www.informationlinks.org)). We have received letters of support from the City and the County in this effort. The grant would fund a new staff person to expand the patient level health data work we have already been doing

VISTA for 2005-2006 - Our position has been posted on the VISTA website for nearly a month, but we have not yet received any interest.

Center for Children and Childhood Studies - The CCCS has indicated that it has \$3,000 - \$5,000 available for associates to work on projects related to children. I am going to submit a proposal for CAMConnect to receive these funds to update the Kids Count report. Proposals are due September 1 and replies will be received by October 1. The work must be completed by May 2006.

ask Dan to write a letter to Margaret Mank

edit proposal from Jan (parents) Hilary Lee stuff from HMTB  
Sue's grant also has this

New Members - Members are requested to renew their dues in the appropriate amount for 2005 if they haven't done so already. I am working on a job description to retain a "detailer" who can assist with setting up meetings and pitching CAMConnect to businesses, community groups, etc.

Jeff may have been one

#### Renewed / Joined in July 2005:

- Cramer Hill CDC (\$100)
- Rutgers Center for Children and Childhood Studies (\$100)

**PROJECT UPDATES**

Bill:

Vida Mvevo (Hired by M of Camden)

Death Policy  
Fellowship

2005 Summer Surveys – partnership with Rutgers-Camden Center for Children and Childhood Studies

→ street surveys in Waterford South

- We have collected 500 health surveys, 500 violence surveys, and surveys of block conditions throughout Camden. We have also collected an inventory of corner stores and the availability of fresh food throughout the City.
- Initial findings: residents are generally positive about health care in Camden, with "A" being the most common grade on most questions (exception: ER wait time).

Crashup  
Hire soon  
what do they  
want to do?

Health Report - We have 2003 ER and inpatient data from all three hospitals and are developing a street address matching file to eliminate much of the need for geocoding. Ian Hoffman has spent many hours on this and has now begun to analyze the data. We have talked about having a breakfast meeting event sometime this fall, which will require some further discussion and planning.

Municipal Budget and Taxes Report - With ongoing concern over the Camden budget, we are going to push for the formation of a blue ribbon advisory panel to help address the dysfunctional relationship between the City and the State. Jerry Harris has talked with the COO and the Mayor, who seemed receptive to the idea. CAMConnect is also considering development of local indicators around municipal finance, working with MDRC and the Walter Rand Institute.

On a related note, there was an inaccurate item in a *Courier-Post* editorial from July 30 that wrongly suggested that the Cramer Hill redevelopment would ensure that Camden was no longer dependent on State aid. From my analysis, this is woefully inaccurate and misleading. I wrote a letter to the editor as discussed at the last Executive Committee meeting, but this letter never appeared in the paper as far as I could tell.

Abbott Indicators – I have posted school level data on the Education Reports section of the CAMConnect website (go to Camden Reports > External Documents > Education). EdLaw Center is updating their other data, which they will provide to us as soon as they are able.

New GIS software – I am going to attend a free metadata training in Trenton on September 23-24, as well as a meeting of the NJ Geospatial forum.

NNIP – Next meeting is Sept. 28 – 30 in DC. I would like authorization to attend this meeting. NNIP is also recruiting people for its Executive Committee, with a stipend of \$3,500. I am interested in applying for this position.

***Request: Authorize the Executive Director to attend the Sept. 28-30 NNIP meeting, at a cost not to exceed \$500.*** ✓

***Request: Authorize the Executive Director to apply for a position on NNIP's Executive Committee*** —

Graphics Training – There is a one-day seminar in East Brunswick on Sept. 26 on the Visual Display of Quantitative Information. I have heard from others who have taken this course (offered by Edward Tufte, a national expert) that it is valuable. Cost is approximately \$320.

***Request: Authorize the Executive Director to attend the graphics training*** ✓

CLEAR Circles – Per Jean Mouch's suggestion, I have signed up for the Non-Profit Center's CLEAR Circles program. This monthly group brings together Executive Directors from non-profits throughout the region in Center City Philadelphia in a facilitated setting. The cost is approximately \$400.

***Request: Authorize reimbursement for the CLEAR Circles program for the ED.***

## WEBSITE UPDATES

I have requested the following documents in the past month (or will request them in the next week):

- Report on Missing Boys in East Camden (Cramer Hill)

## SCHEDULE

September Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, September 1, 2005, 10 a.m.  
October Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, October 6, 2005, 10 a.m.  
Health Data Breakfast – TBD  
October Board Meeting – Thursday, October 20 or 27<sup>th</sup> (TBD)

### Board Elections

Nominating forms distributed – October 1  
Nominating forms returned to Governance Chair / ED – October 15  
Ballot distributed – October 20  
Ballots due – October 31

Member meeting – held in November, with 30 days notice

*Existing members not currently in good standing (haven't paid dues for this year):*

Alliance for the Revitalization of Camden City (ARCC) –  
Association for Children of New Jersey (ACNJ)  
Camden City Youth Services Commission  
Camden County Dept. of Health & Human Services  
Camden Empowerment Zone Corporation  
Camden Neighborhood Renaissance  
City of Camden (Donna Helmes?)  
Josué Figueroa  
The Harris Organization  
Hopeworks 'N Camden  
Rutgers University, Walter Rand Institute for Public Affairs  
Southern New Jersey Perinatal Cooperative (HMHB)

UMDNJ

Newsletter?

Registration

Jason Bailey

get addresses

Sheila Roberts

Janice Thayer – step person after-school program

Renewance

takeover

1st fl space

Rutgers-reference section

CCYO new RFP

Job description / ad October Exec Committee – Pros + Cons

How are people using website? space?

Ken O'Dowd - NJ State Health 2003-04

BRFS

Camden Co

→ now will be Card

Trash bags