

City of San Diego Nonprofit Academy
Building Community Partnerships with Consensus Organizing
August 20 and 21, 2019

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This two-part session will cover the background of the Consensus Organizing model. Day one will focus on how community partnerships are established and maintained through social capital and mutual self-interest. Day two will introduce how to form and build partnerships with internal and external community stakeholders for sustainable long-term program success and will include a hands-on exercise with a share-out and feedback from trainers.

Facilitators

Jennifer M. Cosio, MSW, PPSC
Executive Director, Consensus Organizing Center

Ms. Jennifer Cosio holds a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Social, and a Master of Social Work with a Pupil Personnel Services Credential. Ms. Cosio has been working at the Consensus Organizing Center since 2008 and became the Executive Director in 2015. She has over a decade of grant writing, community organizing, and program development experience. Ms. Cosio is also a lecturer and Undergraduate Advisor in the School of Social Work at SDSU. Finally, Ms. Cosio is a SDSU Faculty-In-Residence where she lives on campus with her family, and utilizes her social work and community organizing skills to develop and implement programming for students in the residential community to create a sense of belonging and connectedness to the university.

Dr. Jessica Robinson, MSW
Lead Trainer, Consensus Organizing Center

Dr. Jessica Robinson holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work, a Master of Social Work degree with an administration concentration, and a Doctor of Education degree in educational leadership. Dr. Robinson has an impressive 17-year history in higher education with positions held in both student and academic affairs and is known for her work with creating a highly successful college-going program for youth in foster care. Currently, Dr. Robinson serves as the Vice President of Student Services at Cuyamaca College.

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Agenda Day 1

Consensus Organizing 101: Building Partnerships through Mutual Self-Interest

- Welcome/Introductions
- Consensus Organizing History
- Mutual Self-Interest and Social Capital
- Consensus Organizing Projects
- Questions

Agenda Day 2

Application of Consensus Organizing to Assist with Building Community Partnerships

- Welcome/Introductions
- Recap of Day 1
- Building partnerships with Internal and External Community Stakeholders
- Stakeholder Exercise and Share-Out
- Questions

Consensus Organizing Center
Six Circles of Leadership

