



San Diego Forward: The 2021 Regional Plan Community-Based Organizations Outreach Network

To reach out to community members who have traditionally been underserved and underrepresented in the planning process, SANDAG partnered with 12 Community Based Organizations from around the region. These organizations have created programs to engage stakeholders from low-income communities, limited-English speaking populations, the disabled community, and seniors to ensure that their voices are heard and that the 2021 Regional Plan is socially equitable.

Samahan Health Centers – Samahan Health Centers, also known as Operation Samahan, is a federally qualified health center (FQHC) founded by the Filipino community in 1973. Samahan is a Tagalog word which means “working together.” It operates six clinic sites strategically located within the county of San Diego. Operation Samahan’s mission is to promote better health and living conditions for all members of the community particularly among the indigent, low-income, uninsured and underserved individuals and families, by providing high quality, affordable and culturally accessible primary and oral health care, integrative health, behavioral health, health promotion and education, and multi-faceted social services.

Areas of Influence: National City, Lincoln Acres (unincorporated community within National City)

Languages: English, Spanish, Tagalog

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