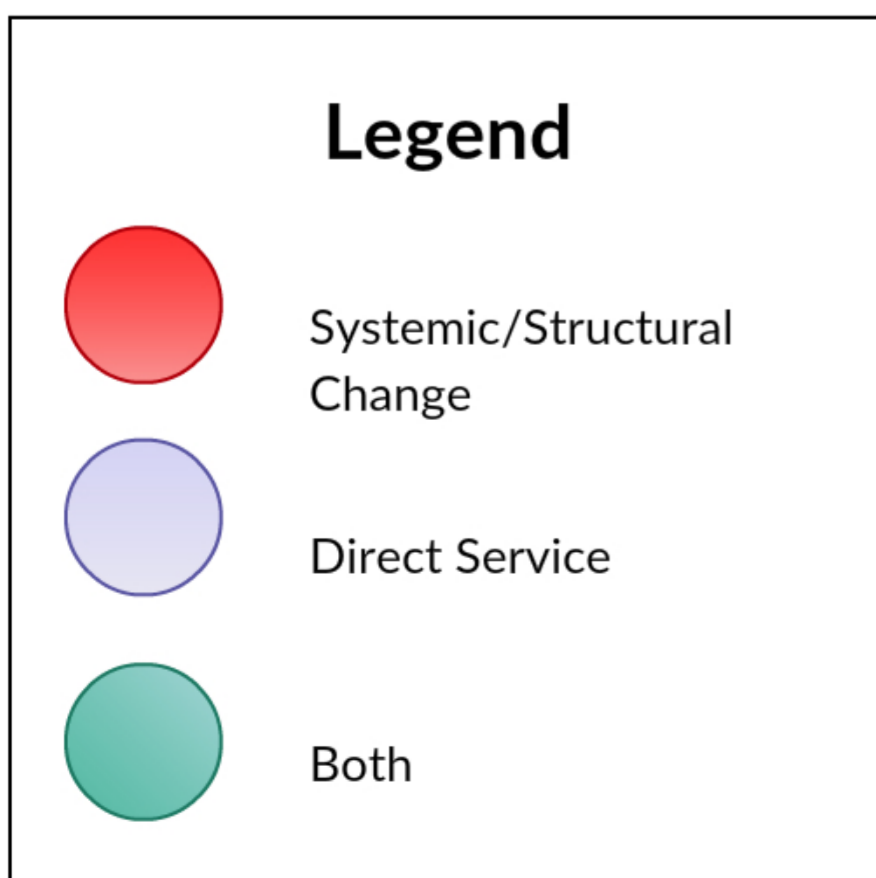
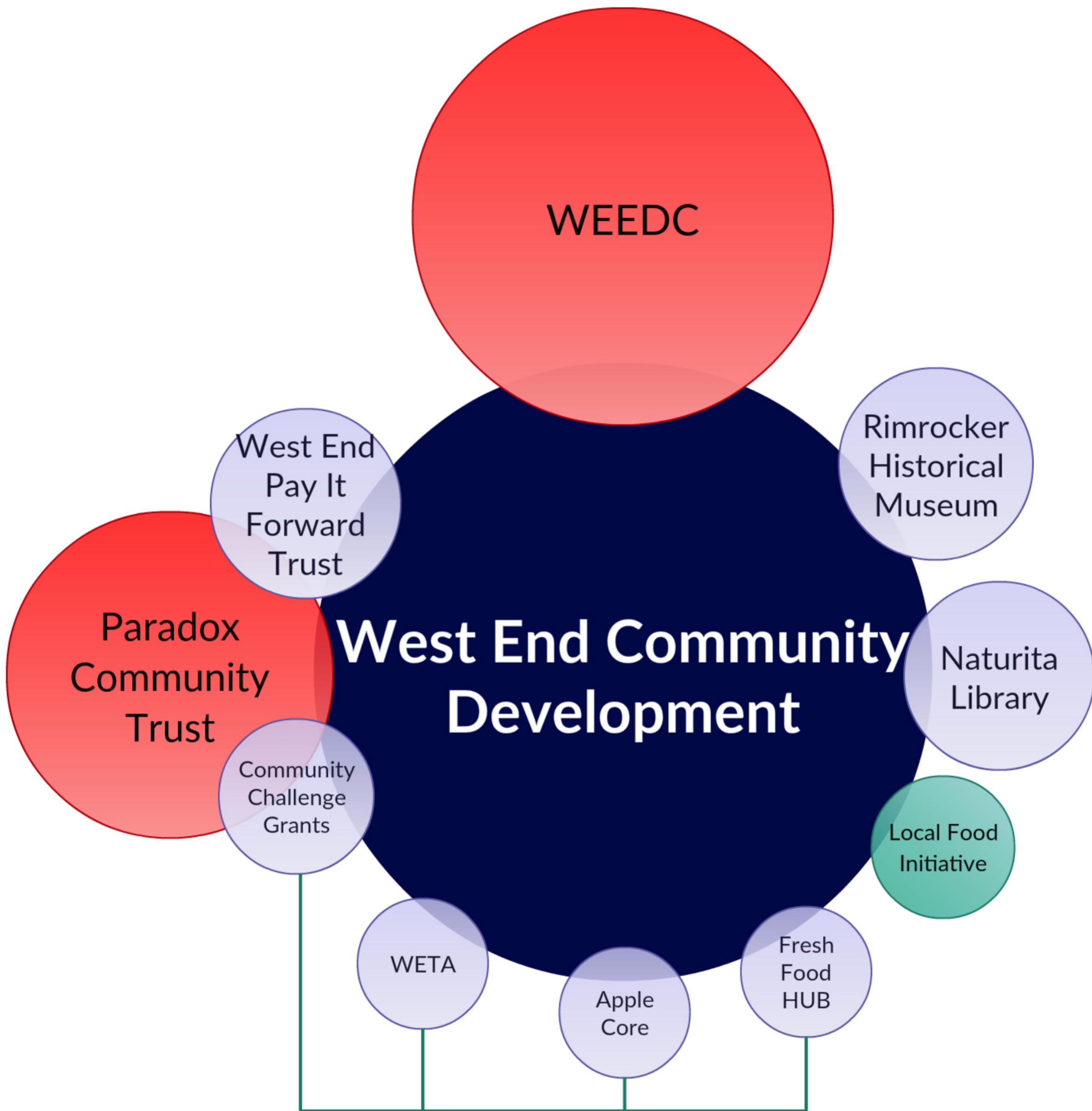


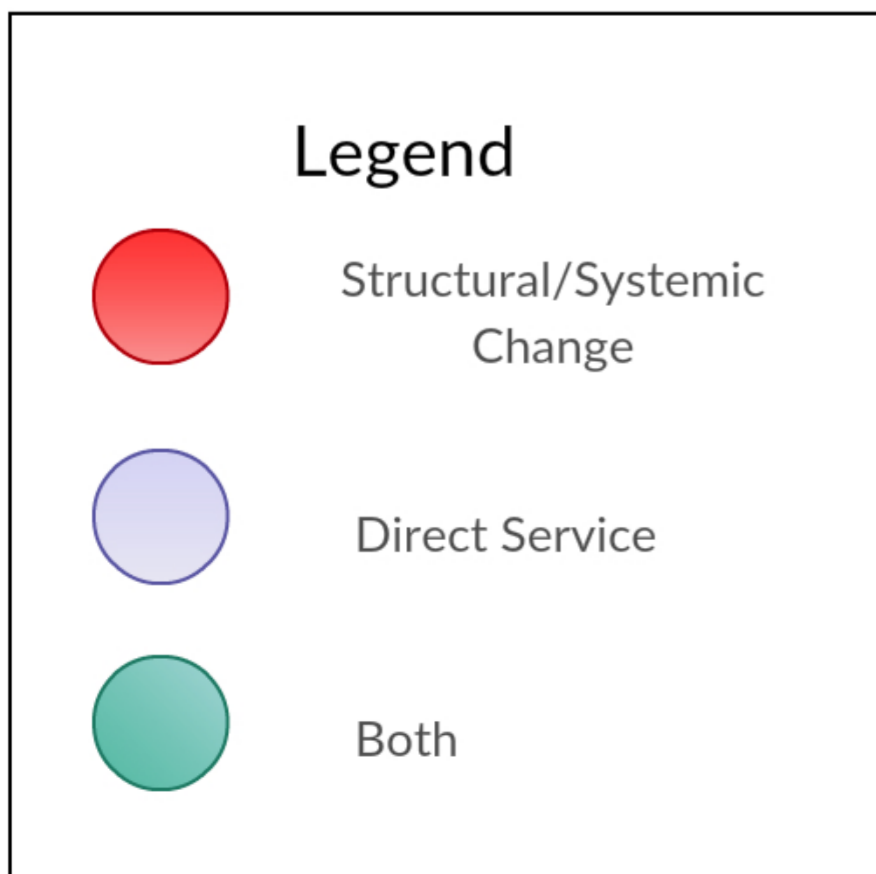
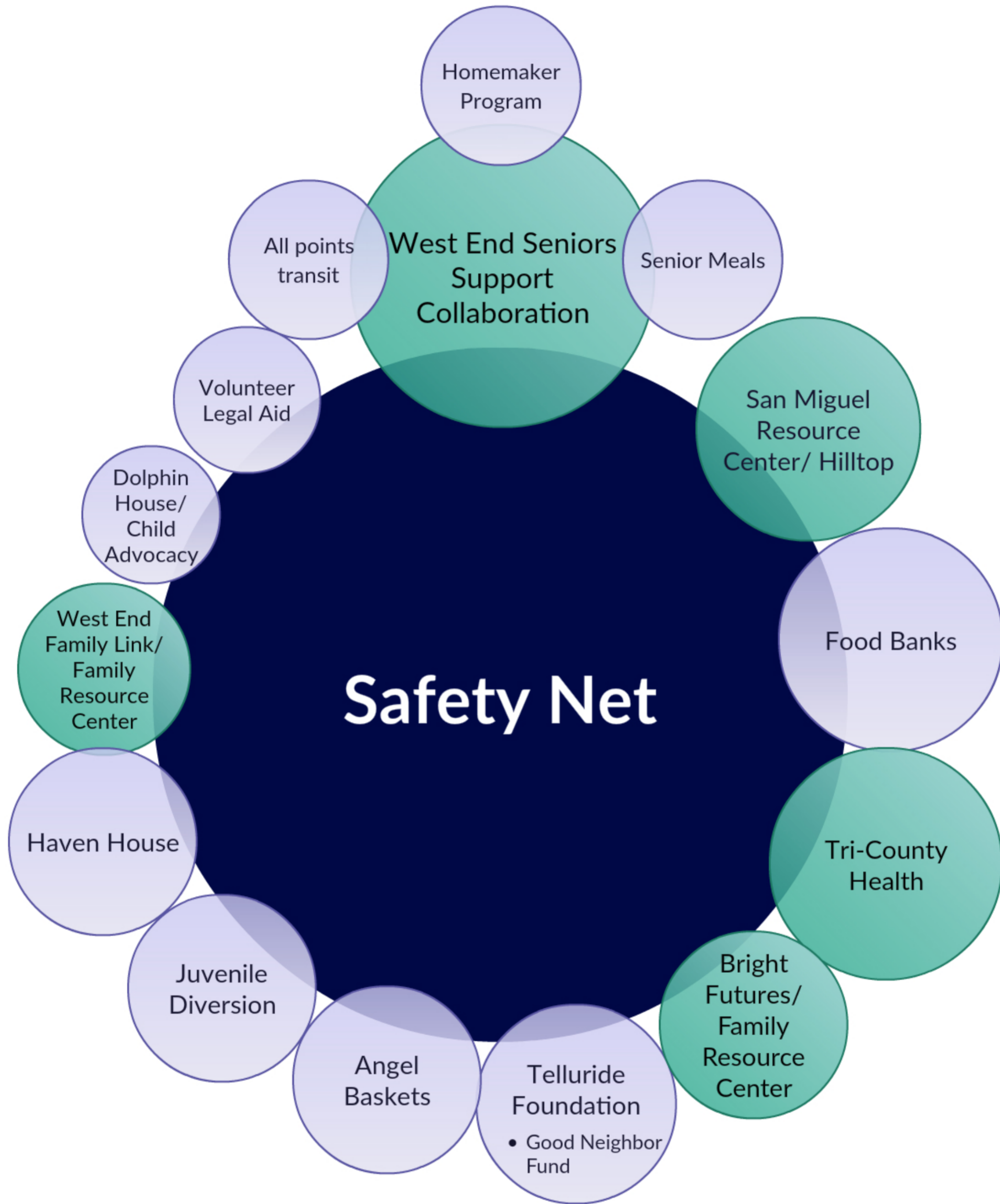
## WHAT WE ARE HEARING...

1. *The cost of living in Telluride is high*— According to one middle-income family with two children, where one parent works at a school and one at a local business, the only way to make ends meet is renting a small subsidized employee housing unit, obtaining a scholarship for childcare, and driving to Montrose each week to buy groceries.
2. *Access to affordable childcare is limited*— Childcare in San Miguel County is the 7<sup>th</sup> least affordable county in the state, which can cost as much as 50% of a single mother's income. In Telluride, there are currently 30 families who need infant care, with only 6 slots available. The lack of affordable, available childcare services is currently forcing families to either move or one parent must drop out of the workforce.
3. *Mental health services are critical*— Colorado's suicide rate is the 7<sup>th</sup> highest in the nation, and San Miguel County has already experienced 7 suicides in 2016. In fact, the Telluride region sees about 6 times the number of suicides by firearms compared to the national average. This is a rate that is similar to other mountain towns such as Aspen.
4. *Poverty is among us*— In the West End School District, 59% of children qualify for Free & Reduced Lunch, as compared to 42.2% in Colorado. West End Family Link served 542 free meals during the summer to children, all of whom were below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level—targeting children who would have no access to free or reduced lunch during the summer. West End Family Link has now started a community food bank, serving those who live at 150% or below the poverty level.
5. *Economic development is needed*— The unemployment in the West End (Nucla, Naturita, Paradox) is at 15%—more than double the Telluride Region. This situation will only get worse with the impending closure of the Tri-State Power Plant. The community will directly lose 67% of its tax base and its primary source of high paying jobs. With the impact the closure will have on associated businesses, it will indirectly lose a total of 80% of its tax base.
6. *Domestic Disputes*— This year, through October 2016, the San Miguel Resource Center has helped a total of 183 clients. Of their total clients, 47 were Hispanic. This may seem like a high number (25% of domestic violence issues, while only 9.3% of the population in the Telluride region) however, according to SMRC, this reveals that the Hispanic population is much more open to receive help due to SMRC's bi-lingual staff, and other programs targeting the Hispanic population—rather than actually facing more rates of domestic violence issues.
7. *Hispanic Education*— In the Telluride School District, the 2015 graduation rate for Hispanic students was 14.2% lower than the national average, and every student who did not pursue higher education in the school was Hispanic. In fact, two recent Hispanic recipients of a Telluride Foundation Education Scholarship exemplified the unique struggles often faced by immigrant students who come from a different education culture: one recipient never finished a final high school class and, thus, never attended college and the other dropped out of college during their first year.

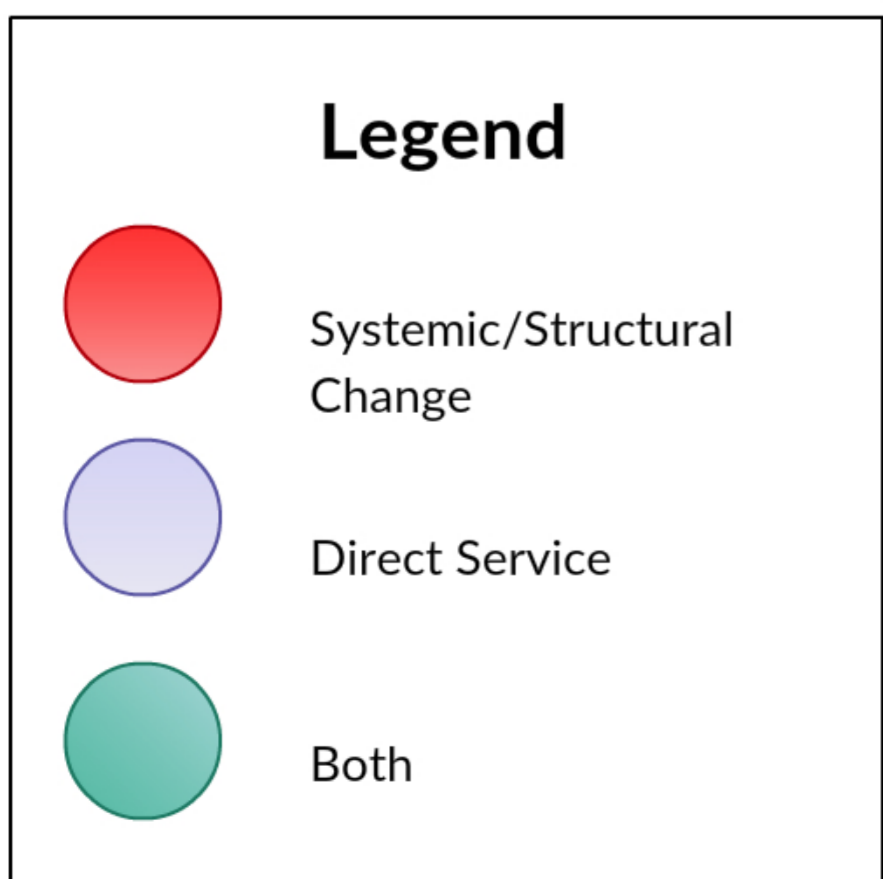
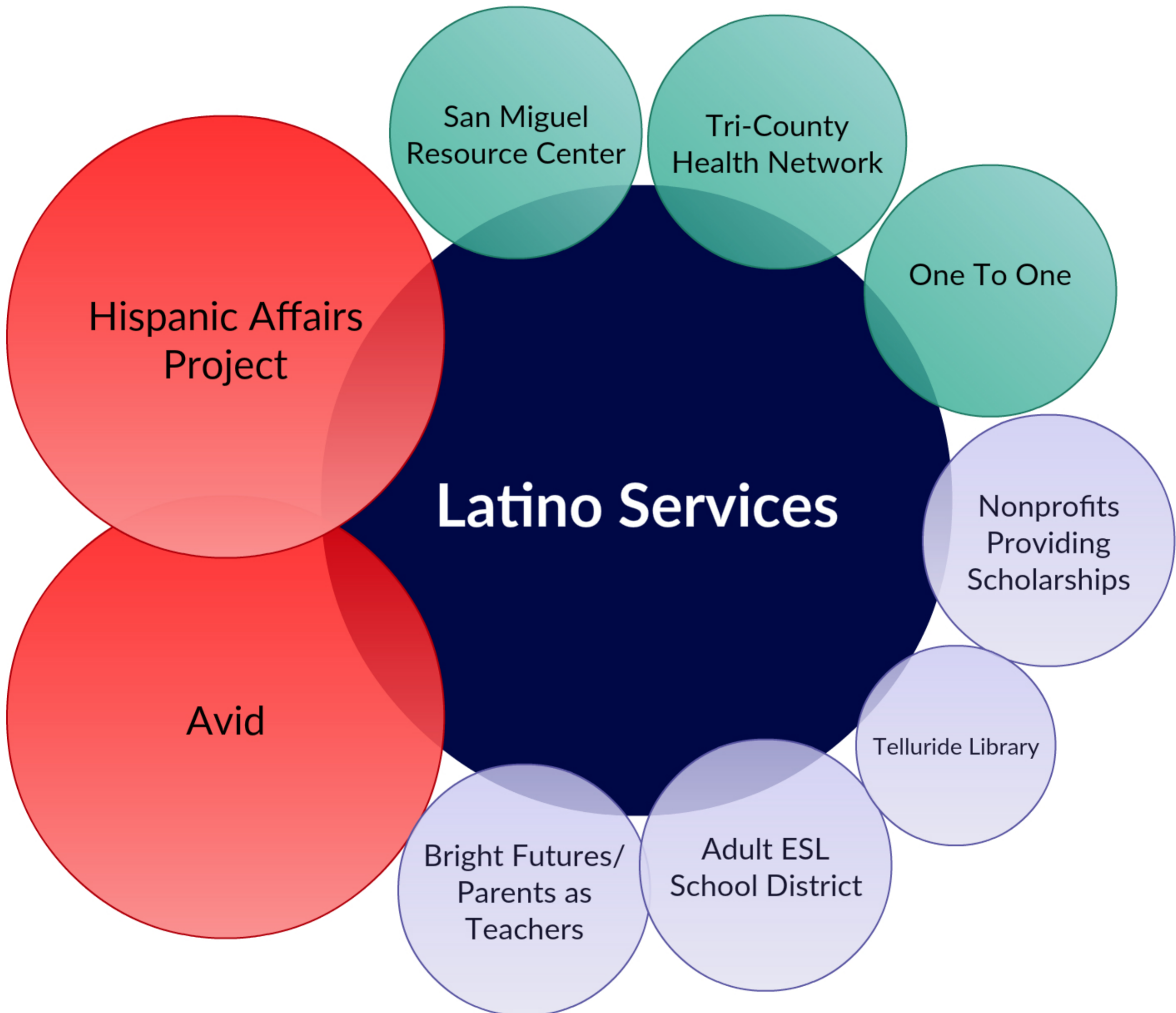
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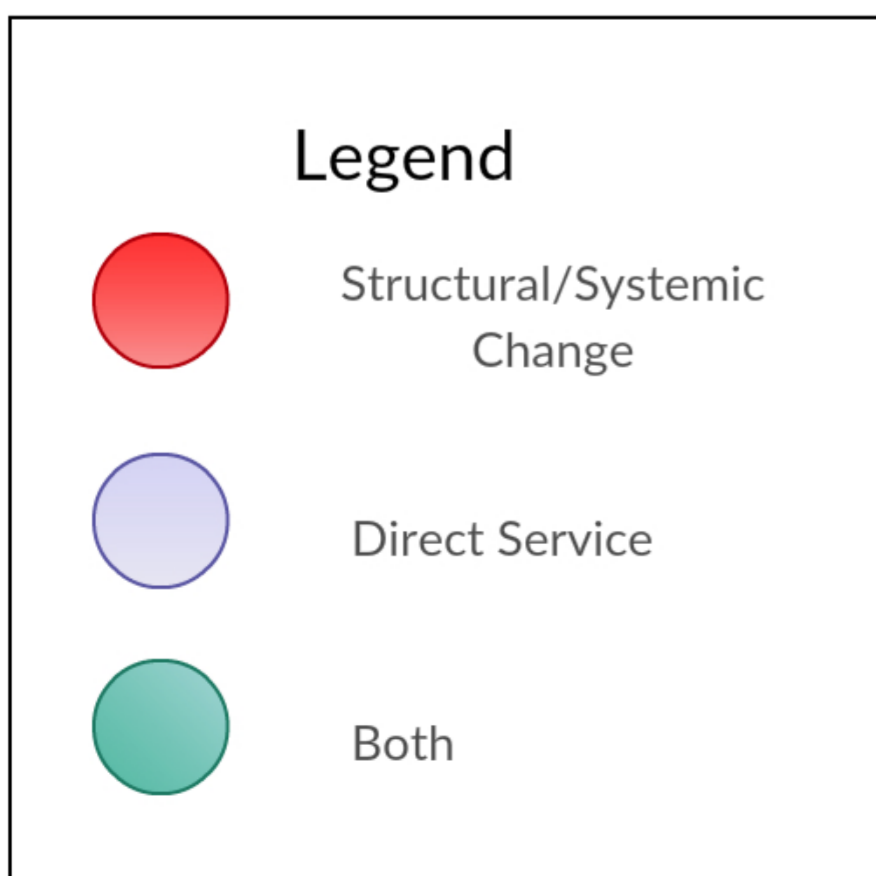
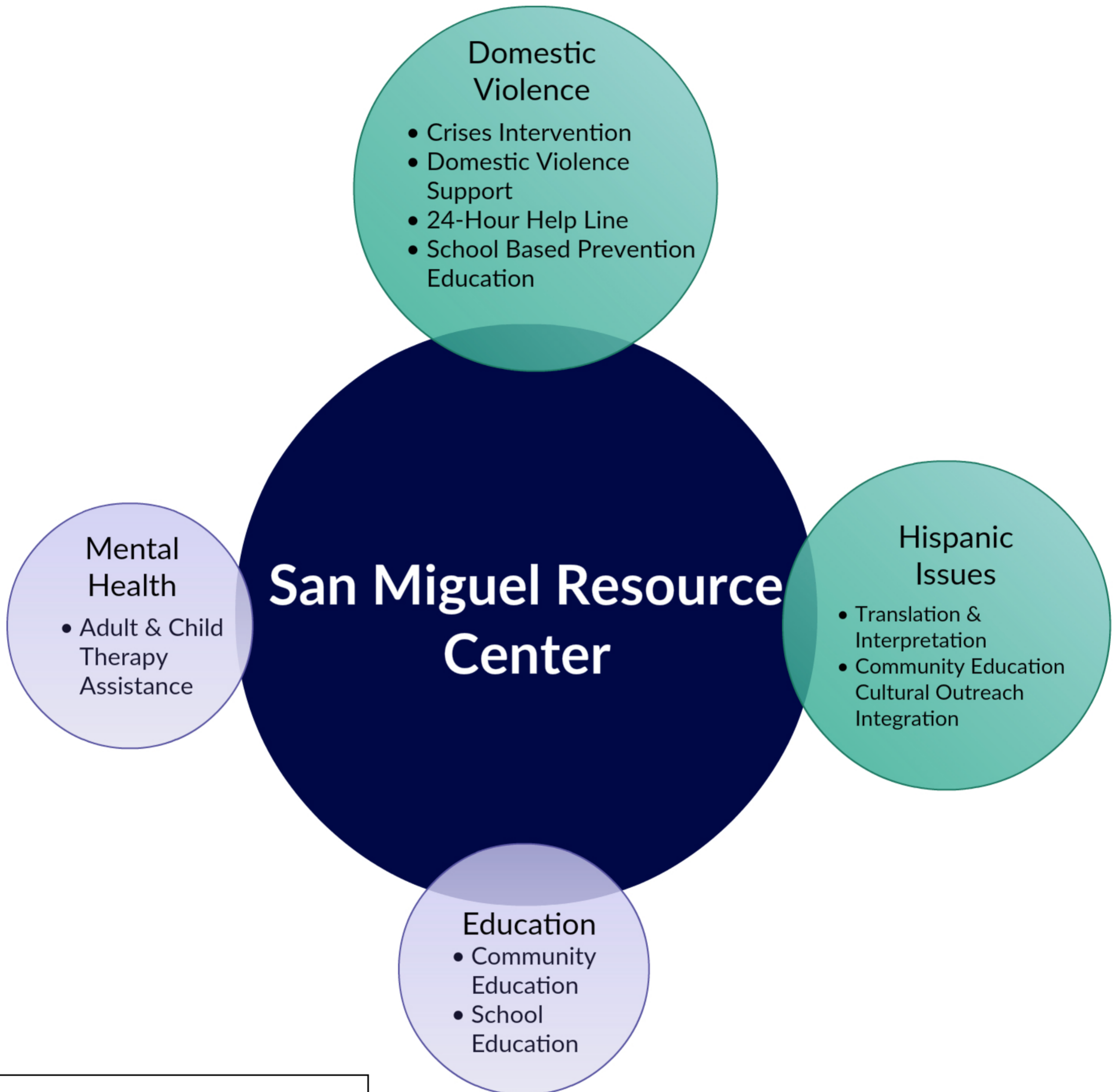
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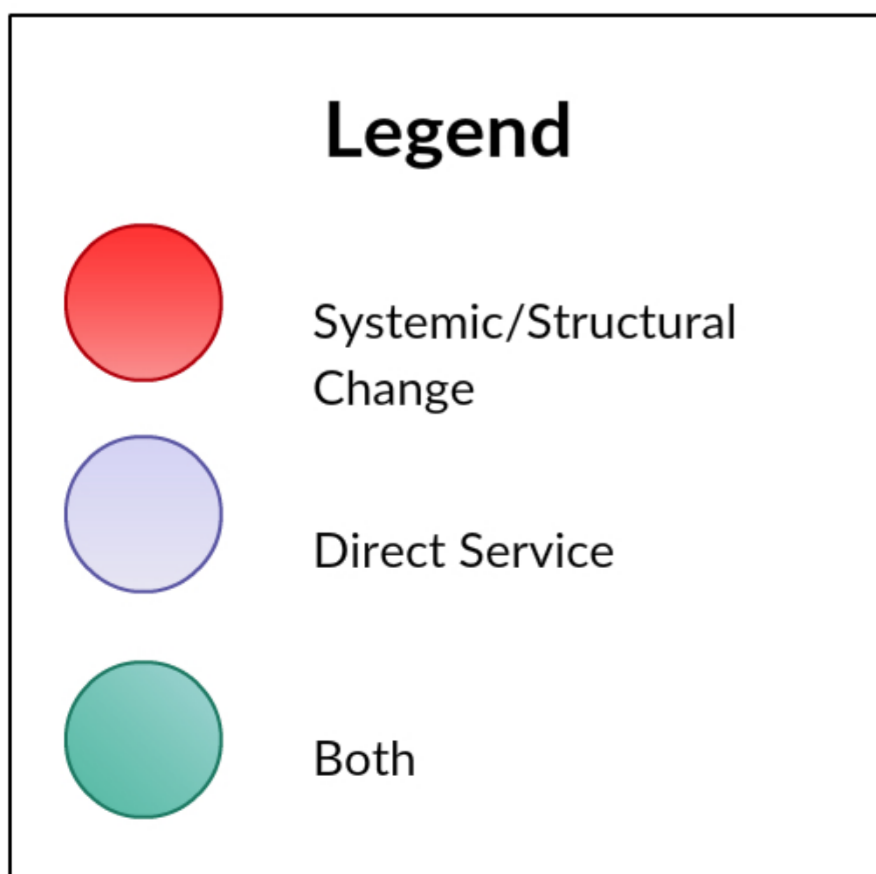
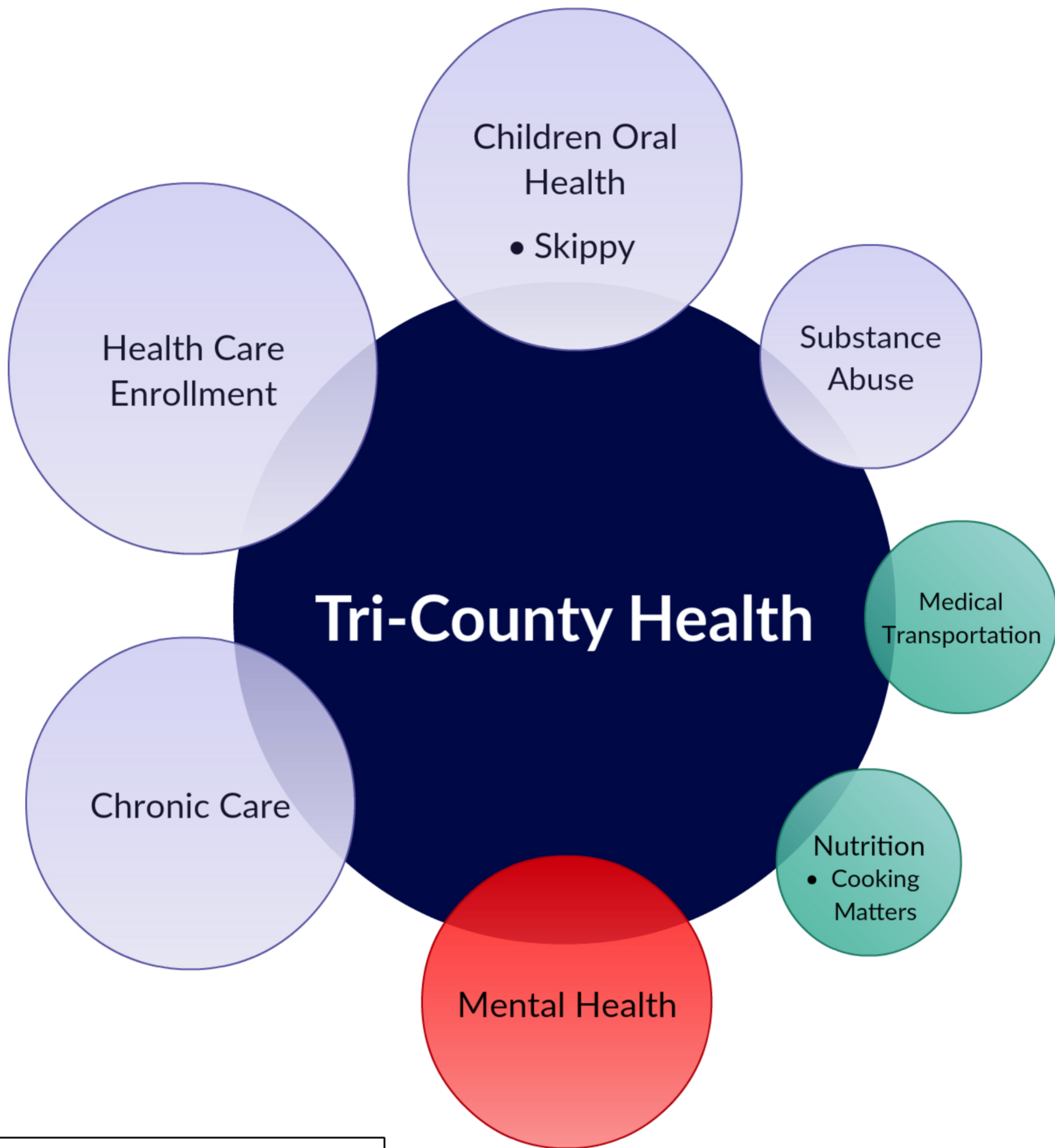
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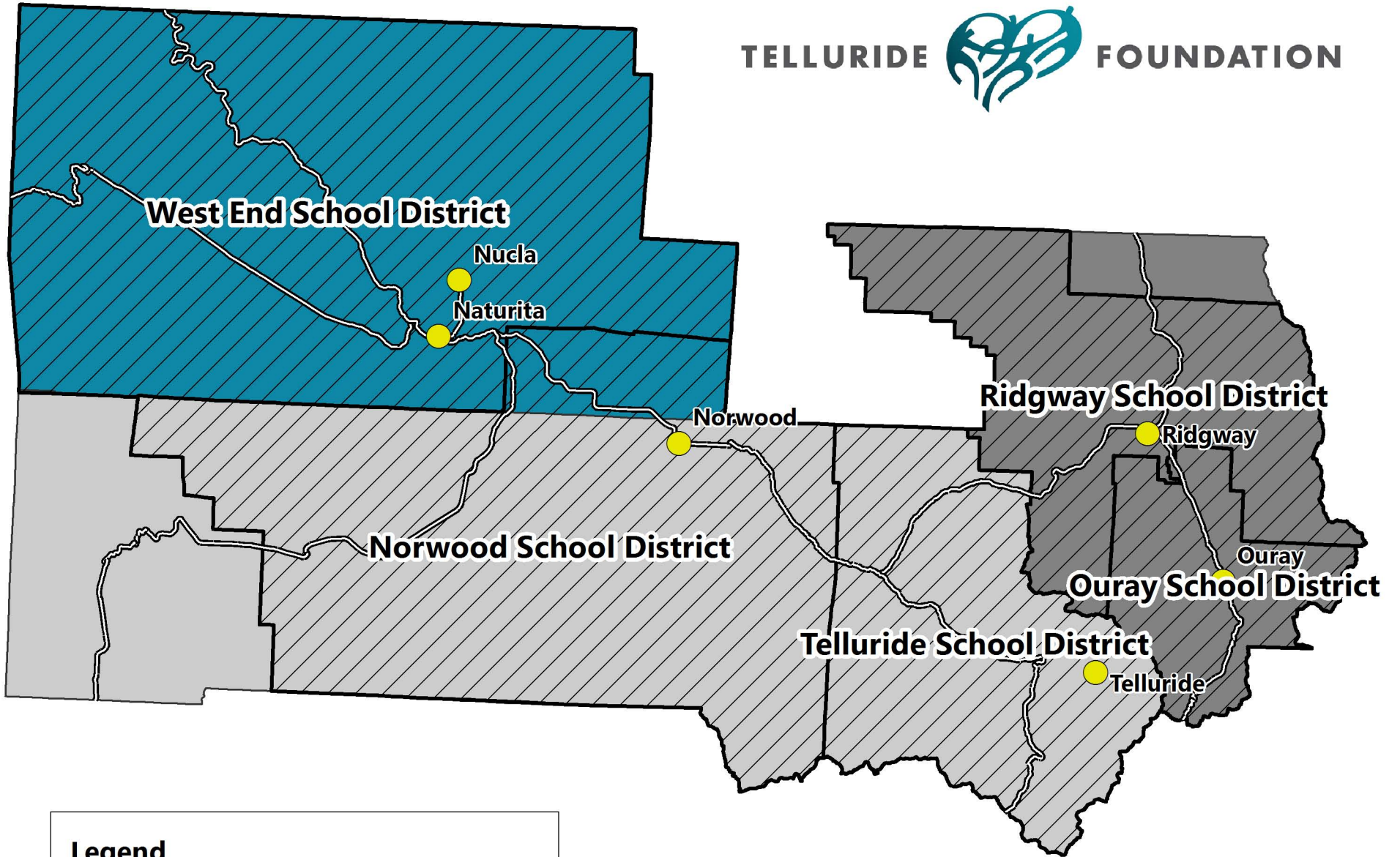


# Organizations and Their Focus


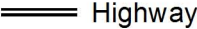






# Organizations and Their Focus





**Legend**

	City (Population > 500)	<b>County</b>
	Highway	 Montrose
	School District Boundary	 Ouray
		 San Miguel



REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS - School District Data

	<b>Telluride School District</b>	<b>Norwood School District</b>	<b>West End School District</b>	<b>Ouray School District</b>	<b>Ridgway School District</b>	<b>Montrose School District</b>	<b>Colorado</b>	<b>National</b>
<b>Total Population [1]</b>	5,964	2,034	1,763	1,718	2,395	38,523	5,546,574 [2]	321,418,820 [3]
Hispanic Population [4]	614	78	98	64	192	8,097	1,088,602 [5]	53,070,096 [6]
% Hispanic	10.30%	3.80%	5.60%	3.70%	8.00%	21%	20.90% [7]	16.90% [8]
Single Parent Households	6.30%	6.90%	7.70%	6.20%	4.40%	7.80%	8.50%	9.60%
<b>Economic</b>								
Median Income [9]	61,063	55,363	39,013	62,462	60,366	45,128	59,448	53,482
Mean Income	43,983	31,005	24,905	65,164	81,059	55,493	79,990	74,596
Population Below Poverty Level [10]	9.20%	12.50%	19.60%	8.20%	7.50%	17.10%	13.10%	15.60%
% Single Mothers in Poverty w/ Children Under 18 [11]	17.40%	27.30%	56.90%	N/A	37.10%	42.10%	34.80%	40.50%
Children 5-17 Poverty [12]	11.80%	18.70%	21.60%	11.10%	14.20%	21%	15% [13]	21% [14]
Unemployment [15]	6.40%	11.60% [16]	15%	14.70%	7.40%	9.90%	7.90%	5.00% [17]
<b>Job Types &amp; Their Median Income [18]</b>								
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	40.2%	32.7%	28.3%	43.9%	45.7%	30.8%	40.10%	36.40%
<i>Income (Median)</i>	<i>\$48,140</i>	<i>\$43,512</i>	<i>\$37,083</i>	<i>\$47,321</i>	<i>\$47,414</i>	<i>\$42,892</i>	<i>\$54,859</i>	<i>\$54,091</i>
Service occupations	24.0%	9.4%	20.5%	16.0%	23.6%	19.7%	17.50%	18.20%
<i>Income (Median)</i>	<i>\$20,972</i>	<i>\$25,250 [19]</i>	<i>\$14,211</i>	<i>\$19,938</i>	<i>\$20,568</i>	<i>\$18,003</i>	<i>\$18,378</i>	<i>\$17,713</i>
Sales and office occupations	20.3%	24.6%	17.8%	18.5%	16.8%	21.1%	24.10%	24.40%
<i>Income (Median)</i>	<i>\$32,917</i>	<i>\$30,375</i>	<i>\$23,750</i>	<i>\$21,488</i>	<i>\$35,096</i>	<i>\$24,181</i>	<i>\$30,588</i>	<i>\$28,292</i>
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	8.9%	20.9%	16.2%	12.9%	11.9%	17.3%	9.40%	9%
<i>Income (Median)</i>	<i>\$28,083</i>	<i>\$43,750</i>	<i>\$42,143</i>	<i>\$28,833</i>	<i>\$31,397</i>	<i>\$32,691</i>	<i>\$35,745</i>	<i>\$34,282</i>
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	6.6%	12.4%	17.1%	8.8%	2.0%	11.2%	9%	12.10%
<i>Income (Median)</i>	<i>\$47,500</i>	<i>\$41,250</i>	<i>\$44,250</i>	<i>\$17,330</i>	<i>\$27,143</i>	<i>\$27,462</i>	<i>\$30,651</i>	<i>\$30,013</i>



REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS - School District Data

	Telluride School District	Norwood School District	West End School District	Ouray School District	Ridgway School District	Montrose School District	Colorado	National
<b>Commute [20]</b>								
Drove Alone	38.70%	74.30%	78.10%	61.80%	50.50%	76.50%	75%	76.40%
Carpooled	6.80%	6.40%	8.70%	13.60%	15.30%	15%	9.80%	9.60%
Public Transportation (Excluding Taxicab)	20.50%	3.60%	0	0.90%	0	0.20%	5.10%	3.20%
Walked	14.30%	2.60%	2.40%	14.80%	9.40%	1.90%	3%	2.80%
Other Means	6.00%	0.07%	2.80%	2.50%	6.40%	1.90%	2.40%	1.80%
Worked at Home	13.80%	12.40%	8%	6.40%	18.30%	4.60%	4.40%	6.50%
Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)	16.7	26.9	19.7	22.2	19.8	20.5	24.6	25.7
<b>Education [21]</b>								
<b>Total Kids [22]</b>	893	245	295	167	328	6,162	866,888 [23]	3,147,790
% Hispanic	18%	12.00%	7%	10%	8%	39%	36%	29%
Graduation Rates	86.8%	95.8%	72.2%	80.0%	89.7%	79.5%	77.30% [24]	81%
Hispanic Graduation Rates	54.5%	100% [25]	100.0% [26]	0% [27]	100.00% [28]	71.9%	68.70% [29]	75% [30]
To Higher Education (4 year, or Community College)	88%	75.5%	50%		86%			66% [31]
To Vocational or Tech School	5%	9.50%	25%		11%			
Not Pursuing Higher Education	7% [32]	0.04%	25%		3%			
% Students Eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch	22%	57.10%	59%	34.10%	26.20%	50.40%	42.20% [33]	48.10% [34]
<b>General Population [35]</b>								
25+ Highschool Graduate	96.5%	92.8%	86.6%	97.30%	98.30%	86.80%	90.40%	86.30%
25+ Bachelor's or higher	62.4%	30.1%	16.4%	48.10%	50.80%	25.50%	37.50%	29.30%

REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS - County Data

	San Miguel County	Montrose County	Ouray County	Colorado	National
<b>Total Population [36]</b>	8,325	40,713	4,587	5,546,574 [37]	321,418,820 [38]
<b>Self Sufficiency [39]</b>					
1 Adult 1 Pre-K, 1 School Age	\$51,629	\$39,260	\$56,357		
<i>% Over Federal Poverty Rate</i>	<b>324%</b>	<b>246%</b>	<b>281%</b>		
2 Adult 1 Pre-K, 1 School Age	\$64,609	\$54,026	\$63,997		
<i>% Over Federal Poverty Rate</i>	<b>266%</b>	<b>223%</b>	<b>264%</b>		
<b>Childcare</b>					
% Children in single parent Households [40]	19.40%	28%	16.00%	31% [41]	35% [42]
Childcare Costs 1 Infant in Center, Single Mother(Percent of Income) [43]	50.50% [44]	41.80% [45]	No toddler care available [46]	N/A	N/A
Childcare Costs 1 Infant in Center, Married Couple (Percent of Income)	14.10%	14.30%	No toddler care available	N/A	N/A
<i>Annual Cost</i>	<b>\$12,990</b>	<b>\$7,729</b>	<b>\$6,600</b>	<b>\$13,154</b>	<b>\$11,666</b>
<b>Health</b>					
Excessive Drinking Prevalence [47]	20.90%	15.60%	16.60%	19%	23.40% [48]
Adult Smoking (Tabacco) [49]	15%	16.00%	13.00%	16%	16.80% [50]
Poor or Fair Health	10%	15%	9%	13%	20% [51]
Primary Care Physicians	1540:1	1400:1	760:1	1230:1	340:1 [52]
Population Low Access to Groceries [53]	9.42%	19.72%	7.31%	N/A	N/A
Food Insecurity	14%	15%	13%	14%	13.70%
Adult Obese [54]	16%	20%	17%	20%	37.90% [55]
Suicide [56]					
<b>Insurance [57]</b>					
Uninsured	12%	11.85%	12%	16.00%	12.7 [58]
Children EBNE	15.92%	9.85%	15.72%	10%	10% [59]
<i>% Change Since 2012 [60]</i>	<b>-9.38%</b>	<b>-5.05%</b>	<b>-9.38%</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Adults EBNE	29.66%	24.70%	27.47%	N/A	18%

REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS - Regional Healthcare Data

	<b>Westernslope</b>	<b>Grand Junction</b>	<b>Denver</b>	<b>Colorado Springs</b>
<b>Healthcare [61]</b>				
Average increase in rates from 2015-2016 [62]	25.80%	9.40%	6.20%	10%
Second-Lowest Cost Silver Carrier Monthly Premium for a 40-Year Old [63]	\$445.77	\$373.12	\$278.50	\$259.42
Weighted Average of Increase in Rates from 2016 to 2017 [64]	28%	37%	17%	25%
Insurance Rates for Second-Lowest Cost Silver Plan for a 27-Year-Old, Sold on Connect for Health Colorado, 2017	\$407.61 - 514.12	\$315.17 - 407.60	\$253.33 - 269.36	\$253.33 - 269.36