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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction/Background

Overview of the purpose and approach to the Assessment
Description of information sources
Reference to Main Report document

Perceptions of Poverty (FOCUS GROUPS, INTERVIEWS, MEDIA)

What are people's perceptions about poverty?
What is the general public's attitude toward poverty and the people living in it?

Who is in Poverty? (RESEARCH, INTERVIEWS)

Demographic analysis of the extent of poverty
Matrix of problem areas (barriers and symptoms)

The Vision of Escaping Poverty (FOCUS GROUPS, SURVEYS)

Goals and aspirations of people in poverty.

Summary of Inventory Analysis

Summary of inventory of social services vs. demand.
Barriers to accessing these services

Summary of Barriers Analysis

Summary analysis of fundamental issues that keep people in poverty.

Summary of Trend Analysis

Summary of political, economic, social, technological and philanthropic trends affecting anti-poverty programs and WCCAO specifically.

Conclusions

Conclusions about program priorities that affect both the support of people in poverty and the movement of people out of poverty.

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Support for People in Poverty (RESEARCH, INTERVIEWS, SURVEYS)
Inventory of social services vs demand
  Legal Services
  Housing
  Health Care
  Weatherization/Energy Assistance
  Domestic Violence
  Food & Hunger
Barriers to accessing these services
  Not program evaluations

Overcoming the Barriers to Escaping Poverty (INTERVIEWS, SURVEYS)
Detailed analysis of fundamental issues that keep people in poverty
  Employment
    Wage Structure
    Education/Training
      Job Skills
      Language
    Child Care
    Mental Health
    Transportation
    Drug & Alcohol
  Housing
  Family Support
    Early Childhood Intervention
    Parenting Skills
    Life Skills
  Health Care
  Legal Services
Analysis of community resources
  Inventory vs. Demand

Trends Affecting Anti-Poverty Efforts (RESEARCH, INTERVIEWS)
Political (Shifting of programs to the states, fiscal austerity, etc.)
Economic (Growth of underclass, growth of local economy, etc)
Social (Erosion of social responsibility, conservative attitudes, growing intolerance,)
Technological (Increase demand for technical skills, agency networking, etc.)
Philanthropic (Growing burden/demand on philanthropy, trends in giving, etc)