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The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound selected Thurston Asset Building Coalition (ABC) as its capacity building project because of its potential for unique, effective and replicable use in meeting future community needs. We believe the Thurston ABC has significant potential for other applications because of how members have developed trusting relationships and strengthened our local ecosystem of non-profits through strong diverse public and private partnerships. It has truly enhanced service delivery at the ground level and is poised to secure future shared funding.

The Thurston Asset Building Coalition involves a five-Hub model (Income, Food, Health, Housing, Financial Education) that has brought together previously unconnected partner agencies to more effectively assist the people they serve in common (neighbors). Each Hub involves member organizations who work on common issues to build high trust, identify and fill service gaps and strategically link with the other Hubs. The Thurston ABC then partners with each Hub to produce Shared Learning events every quarter for front line providers, faith communities, policy makers and others to increase community knowledge and connection both inside and outside their traditional areas of expertise.

