



SOLUTIONS BASED ON SCIENCE AND THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

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Mission

The Center for Hunger-Free Communities works with partners from public and private organizations, universities and the community to:

- Find science-based solutions to hunger and economic insecurity;
- Report on and monitor the health consequences of poverty and hunger;
- Engage those who have experienced poverty as full partners in developing research and policies that work;
- Establish and support opportunities for an on-going national dialogue on poverty.

Vision

Children born today will inherit a nation free from hunger; a nation where all members of the community partner to keep families economically secure; and where all people have an equal voice in policies that affect their lives.

Values

As an organization, we value and commit to the following:

Honesty

Respect

Confidentiality, where requested or appropriate

Dignity

Community

Diversity

Equality and Equity

Human rights, especially the rights of women and children

Love for humanity

The Sanctuary Model®

The Sanctuary Model®^[1] was developed by Dr. Sandra Bloom as framework for creating a trauma-informed organizational culture and approach for providing clinical care in mental health settings. We have adapted this model to fit our organizational setting and research to ensure that we maintain an environment that is supportive, healing and safe as we work with participants and families, many of whom have experienced trauma and violence. To this end, we commit to the seven core promises of the Sanctuary Model in our work (both in and out of the office setting):

1. A commitment to non-violence
2. A commitment to emotional intelligence
3. A commitment to social learning
4. A commitment to open communication

5. A commitment to democracy
6. A commitment to social responsibility
7. A commitment to growth and change

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[1] <http://www.sanctuaryweb.com/>