

ECVN SHARED COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE (COP) DATA FRAMEWORK

What gets measured, how it gets measured, and how it builds collective power

**END
COMMUNITY
VIOLENCE
NOW**

DRIVING QUESTION

How do we use data to understand violence in our communities, document what our work is changing, and build collective power to make systems respond?

GOVERNANCE

CoP member organizations collectively
ECVN — backbone coordinator

VERSION & STATUS

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COMPONENT 1 — WHAT GETS MEASURED *9 Community-Defined Domains*

DOMAIN 1A — FOUNDATIONAL INDIVIDUAL DEMOGRAPHICS	Captures foundational background information for every participant served — including age, gender, race/ethnicity, zip code, and social determinants of health.
DOMAIN 1B — FOUNDATIONAL COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INDICATORS	Captures participant-level exposure to community violence — including proximity to shooting and homicide incidents, geographic risk area, and retaliation involvement.
DOMAIN 2 RELATIONAL TRUST	Measures shifts between individuals with system involvement and exposure to violence, group violence, and service providers.
DOMAIN 3 BEHAVIOR CHANGE	Documents shifts in individual behavior from CVI intervention — including conflict mediation outcomes, retaliation prevention, self-regulation capacity, and decreases in re-injury, recidivism, and unlawful firearm possession.
DOMAIN 4 SOCIAL & ECONOMIC WELLBEING	Captures improvements in employment, economic stability, community connection, service access, and perceived safety in the surrounding environment.
DOMAIN 5 MENTAL HEALTH	Documents increases in emotional regulation, decreases in mental health challenges, and improved access to mental health support and counseling.
DOMAIN 6 YOUTH FOCUS	Measures youth engagement, wellbeing, self-expression, and growing confidence in participating in and benefiting from CVI mediation processes.
DOMAIN 7 SUSTAINABILITY	Tracks whether participant outcomes across all domains are sustained at 3, 6, 9, and 12 months post-intervention.
DOMAIN 8 CIVIC POWER	Documents organizational participation in community organizing, policy advocacy, and leadership development — positioning CVI work as systems change.

The domains above define what gets measured. Components 2–5 define how the CoP measures, validates, and uses that data collectively.

COMPONENTS 2-5 — HOW THE FRAMEWORK OPERATES

Note: Collection tools and methods may vary by organizational type — hospital-based, focused deterrence, and CBOs. Shared data standards and common language definitions apply across all.

2	HOW DATA IS DEFINED ACROSS THE COP <i>What shared language and definitions govern how data is understood across all CoP organizations?</i>	Each domain carries its own defined data points spanning four levels: individual, relational, environmental, and community. Shared language and common definitions ensure consistent interpretation and recording throughout the CoP.
3	HOW IT GETS MEASURED <i>What tools, how often, and who collects it?</i>	Each organization collects data using standardized intake forms, case management records, participant self-report surveys, and qualitative narrative capture. Tools, frequency, and responsible parties are defined per domain and may vary across organizations while adhering to shared CoP standards.
4	HOW DATA QUALITY IS ENSURED <i>What standards apply across all CoP orgs?</i>	Data quality is maintained through a shared data dictionary, common field standards, consent processes, and participant ID systems. Quality assurance is an ongoing CoP process — definitions and standards are reviewed and refined collectively as the framework matures.
5	HOW ORG DATA BUILDS A COLLECTIVE PICTURE <i>How does each org's data contribute to a shared CoP picture?</i>	Org-level data is synthesized through ECVN's backbone coordination into a CoP-level reporting process that surfaces community-wide trends — without police data as the primary measure — reported back to communities, funders, and policymakers.

ONE INTEGRATED SYSTEM