ORANGE UNIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

FEASIBILITY ASSESSMENT REPORT

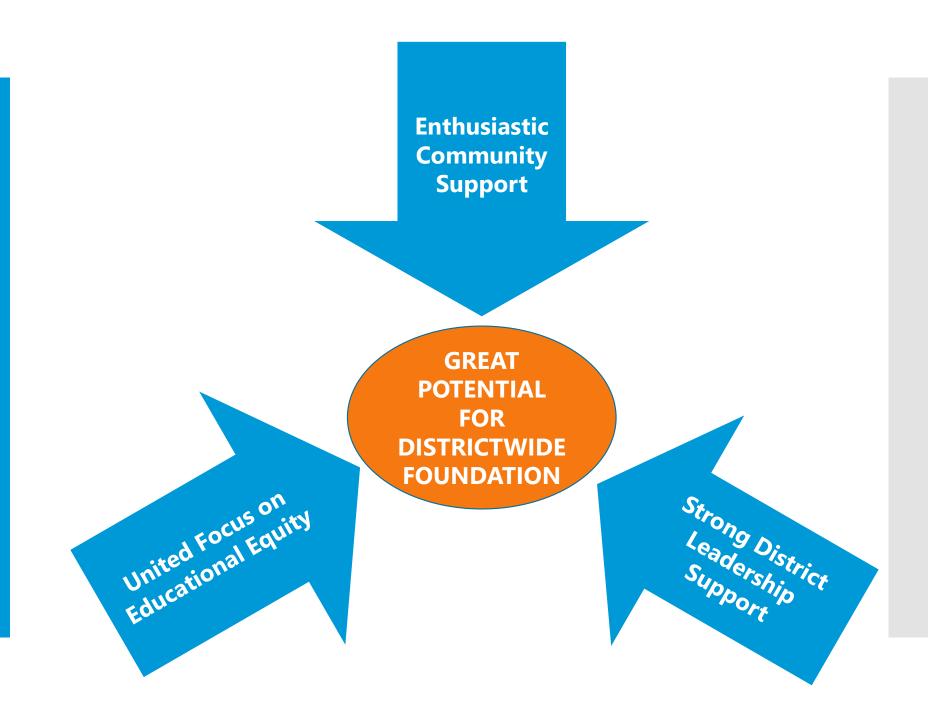
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OPPORTUNITY
POTENTIAL



SCOPE OF WORK



Assessment Goal: Investigate the potential benefits and opportunities of reimagining educational foundation to benefit all students within Orange Unified School District



7 Key Objectives



Each Objective Includes Recommendations & Supporting Documents Appendix Resources



80+ Hours of Consulting Services (March – June 2021)

ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

- . Coordinate participation among the District team and designated stakeholders to determine the specific needs of the District.
- 2. Interview District staff and designated stakeholders and hold facilitated discussions to investigate, document, and inform plans for the establishment of a new foundation or fundraising program to benefit the students and schools of the District.
- 3. Gather details and advise District on the necessary governing documents and processes to establish a new foundation or fundraising program.
- 4. Gather internal and external data and input to guide the development of the organizational mission, vision, and values.
- 5. Research and document opportunities and capacity to adapt and/or launch new desired program models and provide recommendations on implementation strategies based on assessment and prioritized goals.
- 6. Research and document capacity for fundraising opportunities to advise on District's initial fundraising strategies.
- 7. Research and document viability of the District operating its own afterschool enrichment program.
- 8. Phase 1 Assessment Report will be provided to the District, which outlines key findings of programmatic and fundraising assessments along with phase in implementation strategies.





OBJECTIVE 1:

Coordinate Broad Participation Among OUSD Team & Stakeholders to Determine Specific Needs



Regularly Met with OUSD Leadership Team



Recruited Diverse Group of Stakeholders



Series of 3 Stakeholder Virtual Meetings to Gather Input

OBJECTIVE 1 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Utilize Stakeholder Group to Recruit Initial Foundation Board
- Maintain Active Communication with Stakeholders

OBJECTIVE 2:

STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSIONS & INTERVIEWS





OBJECTIVE 2:

Interview District Staff & Stakeholders to Investigate, Document, & Inform Plans for Foundation or Fundraising Program to Benefit students districtwide.



Facilitated Large Group
Discussions &
Brainstorms



Individual Interviews



Pre- & Post Meeting Surveys

OBJECTIVE 2 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Convene Interested Stakeholders in Further Planning Conversations
- Consider Volunteer & Engagement Opportunities to Sustain & Grow Advocates

STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

Three Stakeholder Group Meetings

- > April 29, 2021
 - Current OUSD Programs, Challenges & Needs
- May 18, 2021
 - Building an Understanding of Education Foundations
- > June 21, 2021
 - Potential Programming Ideas
 - Mission, Vision, Values,
 - Scope of Governance and Volunteer Leadership
- ❖ Link to Virtual Presentations (Report: Page 7)

Individual Interviews with Stakeholders

> 8 Interviews

SAMPLE STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

- "Need to set realistic expectations that are manageable."
- "Although a separate entity, the community will look at the foundation as part of OUSD and having trust will be key."
- "Strong interest to keep district and foundation collaborative but separate. All need to understand that the foundation has their own priorities, mission, and vision."
- "Foundation board members should be representative of the large District boundaries. However, parents in low-income schools are hesitant to get involved. They don't think they have anything to contribute because of language or personal income barriers."
- "We should not put the fundraising cart before the horse. So many are "fishing from the same pond" and we need to be able to tell the "why" story before doing any fundraising."
- "School site parent groups already subsidize students that can't pay for after school classes."

OBJECTIVE 3:

ESTABLISHING A FOUNDATION





OBJECTIVE 3:

Gather Details & Advise on Governing Documents and Processes to Establish Foundation.



Researched Status of Governing Documents



Establish Master
Agreement/MOU
Between Foundation &
District



Governing Leadership: Board, Advisory & Volunteer Roles

OBJECTIVE 3 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Recruit Board & Establish Initial Meeting
- Revisit Foundation By-Laws
- Develop Master Agreement/MOU Approved by OUSD & OUPSF Boards
- Develop Year 1 Funding, Staffing & Strategic Goals

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS STATUS

Current Status of OUPSF Governing Documentation

- 1. 501(c)(3) Designation Letter Active (copy not located)
- 2. Articles of Incorporation Active (page A-4)
- 3. Bylaws Needs review (pages 16 and A-33)
- 4. Conflict of Interest Policy and Agreement Needs to be created. (sample on page A-34)
- 5. Bank Account Active (pages 16 and A-52)
- 6. IRS Form 990/990N Active (page A-53)
- 7. State of California Form RRF-1 Active (page A-54)
- 8. Franchise Tax Board Form 199 Active (page A-55)
- Master Agreement or MOU between OUSD and OUPSF (details on page 13)

OBJECTIVE 4:

MISSION, VISION, & VALUES STATEMENTS



OBJECTIVE 4:

Gather Internal & External Input to Guide the Development of the Organizational Mission, Vision, & Values



OBJECTIVE 4 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Use Initial Foundation Board Meeting to Draft Mission,
 Vision & Value <u>Statements</u>
- Gain Input on Drafted Statements From Stakeholders

OBJECTIVE 5:

SCHOOL DAY PROGRAMS FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



OBJECTIVE 5:

Research & Document Opportunities to Adapt or Launch New Program Models & Recommendations on Implementation Strategies





Innovative Programming



Primary Visual & Performing Arts



Mental Health Counselors

OBJECTIVE 5 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Establish Top 3-5 Program Funding Priorities During Master Agreement Development
- Revisit Funding Priorities Annually for Relevance to OUSD & Corporate Partners



OBJECTIVE 6:

Research and Document Capacity for Fundraising to Advise on Initial Fundraising Strategies





Augment vs. Compete with Site Fundraising



Prospective Donor Sources

PROSPECTIVE DONOR SOURCES







Local Businesses & Landowners

OBJECTIVE 6 RECOMMENDATIONS

- Create Fundraising Plan & Hire Professional Staff
- Explore Naming Gift & Marketing Sponsorship Opportunities
- Explore Community Fundraising Event Beneficiary Opportunities
- Explore Broad-Based Parent Fundraising Appeal



CASE EXAMPLE:

IPSF PROGRAMS IMPACT

Irvine Public Schools Foundation Afterschool and Summer Program Impact (2019)

- Goal is access and equity for all students vs. profit
- Program fee structures are set to cover operational expenses
 & offer scholarships

> Afterschool Classroom Enrichment

- 7,500 enrollments
- \$1M gross revenue

Summer

- 10,000 enrollments
- \$2.8M gross revenue

OBJECTIVE 7:

Research & Document Viability of District Operating Its Own Afterschool Enrichment Program







OBJECTIVE 7 RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Wait to Shift Current Afterschool Programming to OUPSF
- Readdress Fee-Based Programming Once OUPSF is Established
- Consider Hiring Professional Staff to Manage
- Continue Partnership with Outside ASES Contractors to Provide Free Options to Title1 Schools

NEXT STEPS FOCUS AREAS

- 1. Implementation of Board approved Master Agreement to formalize partnership between Foundation and District.
- Strategic Planning to set mission, vision, and initial fundraising & programmatic goals.
- Consider volunteer and staffing structures to support Strategic Plan and short- and long-term sustainability.
- 4. Establish Year-1 budget and fundraising plans to realize objectives.

