

# Joint Use in Los Angeles County Modeled After Tobacco Control

New Partners for Smart Growth Conference  
Public Health, Transportation, & Land Use:  
Institutionalizing Partnerships & Practices to Create Healthier  
Communities

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## Eight Outcome Objectives

- 1) Increase access to healthy food & beverages in 8 cities
- 2) Develop food procurement policies in 5 county agencies
- 3) Improve the nutritional content of school meals in 4 districts
- 4) Implement nutrition & physical activity policies in 60 preschools
- 5) Promote breastfeeding in county departments & other large employers
- 6) Increase teacher capacity to implement phys. ed. requirements
- 7) Strengthen joint use policies & establish joint use agreements
- 8) Adopt land use policies to increase pedestrian activity & biking





# Structure of Joint Use in LA County

- **Joint Use Moving People to Play (JUMPP) Task Force**
  - Quarterly meeting
  - Broad range of stakeholders; a coalition that supports joint use efforts in Los Angeles County
  
- **Joint Use Steering Committee**
  - Represents key joint use stakeholders  
(i.e. Parks and Recreation, School Superintendents, PTA and Community-Based Organizations)



# Joint Use Moving People to Play (JUMPP) Task Force

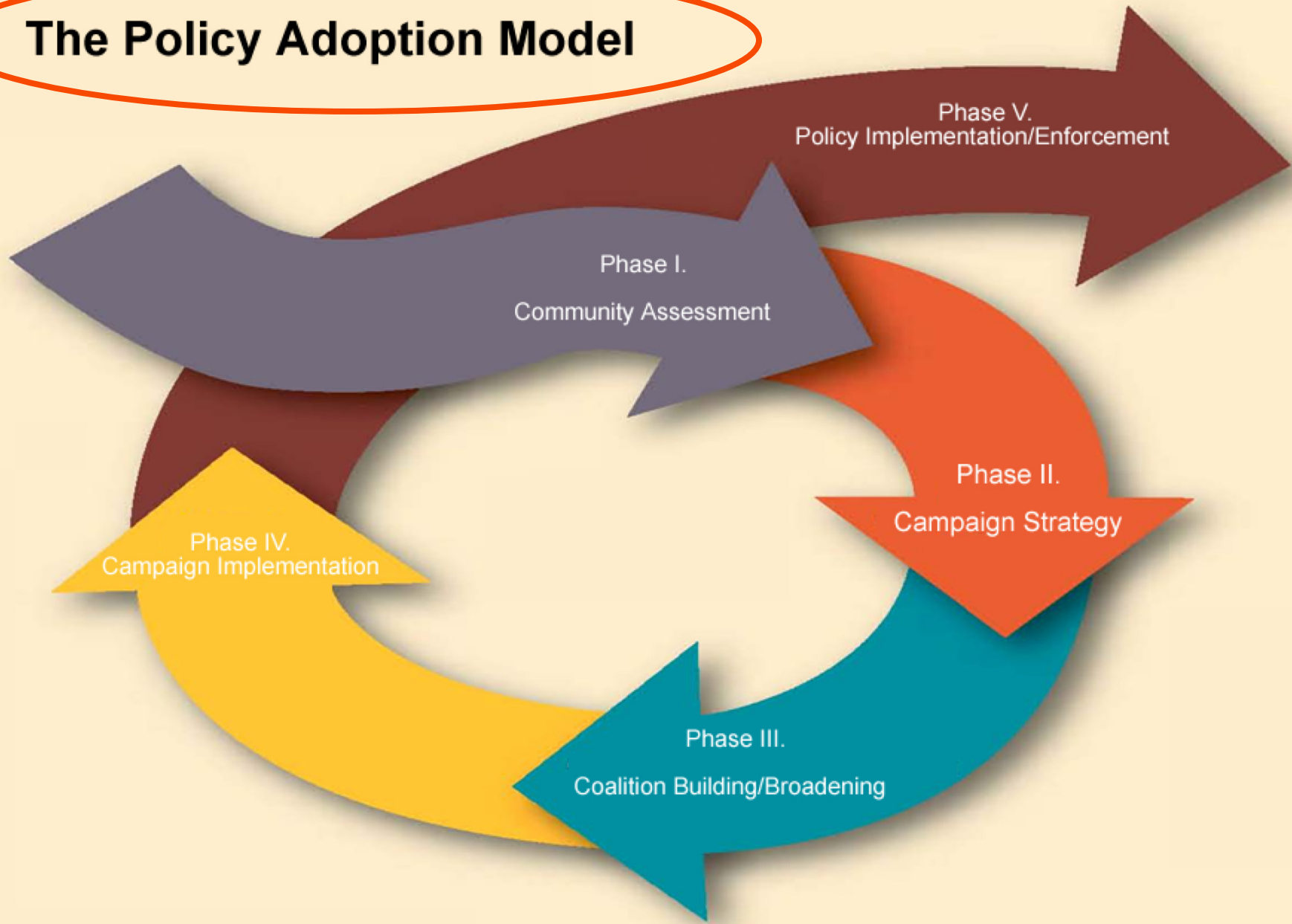
- Established January 2010
- Grass-tops and Grass-roots approach
- Grassroots: Based on Tobacco Control's Policy Adoption Model



**Table 1. Tobacco Control Policies Enacted in Los Angeles County, 1998-2010**

Policy Type	Year of Policy Enactment			
	1998-2003	2004-2010		
<b>Tobacco Retail Licensing</b>	El Segundo (2003) Lawndale (2003) Los Angeles city (2000)	Artesia (2009) Baldwin park (2008) Burbank (2007) Calabasas (2009) Carson (2006) Cerritos (2008) Compton (2007) Culver City (2009) Gardena (2008)	Glendale (2007) Hawthorne (2008) Inglewood (2007) La Canada Flintridge (2009) Lancaster (2006) Lomita (2007) Long Beach (2008) Montebello (2009) Monterey Park (2010)	Palmdale (2010) Pasadena (2004) San Fernando (2008) San Gabriel (2010) Santa Monica (2008) Sierra Madre (2007) South Pasadena (2009) Unincorporated area (2007) West Covina (2010)
	<b>Subtotal: 3</b>			<b>Subtotal: 27</b>
<b>Multi-Unit Housing</b>	0	Calabasas (2006)	Santa Monica (2009)	Glendale (2008)
				<b>Subtotal: 3</b>
<b>Parks</b>	Carson (2003) Hawthorne (2003) Huntington Park (2002) San Fernando (2001)	Alhambra (2008) Baldwin Park (2007) Burbank (2007) Calabasas (2006) Cerritos (2005) Claremont (2008) Culver City (2006) El Monte (2005) Gardena (2004) Glendale (2008)	Glendora (2008) La Puente (2004) Los Angeles city (2007) Lomita (2007) Manhattan Beach (2004) Maywood (2004) Monterey Park (2005) Palmdale (2006) Pasadena (2004)	Rancho Palos Verdes (2005) Redondo Beach (2008) Rosemead (2006) San Dimas (2007) San Gabriel (2010) Santa Clarita (2006) Temple City (2009) Unincorporated area (2009) Walnut (2005)
		<b>Subtotal: 4</b>		<b>Subtotal: 28</b>
<b>Outdoor Dining</b>	0	Beverly Hills (2007) Culver City (2008)	Los Angeles city (2010) Malibu (2009)	Sierra Madre (2009)
				<b>Subtotal: 5</b>
<b>Beaches</b>	0	El Segundo (2005) Hermosa Beach (2006) Long Beach (2005) Los Angeles city (2007)	Manhattan Beach (2004) Malibu (2004) Santa Monica (2006) Palos Verdes Estates (2006)	Rancho Palos Verdes (2005) Redondo Beach (2008) Torrance (2006) Unincorporated area (2005)
				<b>Subtotal: 12</b>
<b>Comprehensive</b>	0	Baldwin Park (2007) Burbank (2007) Calabasas (2006)	Glendale (2008) Pasadena (2008)	Santa Monica (2006) South Pasadena (2007)
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<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>82</b>	

# The Policy Adoption Model



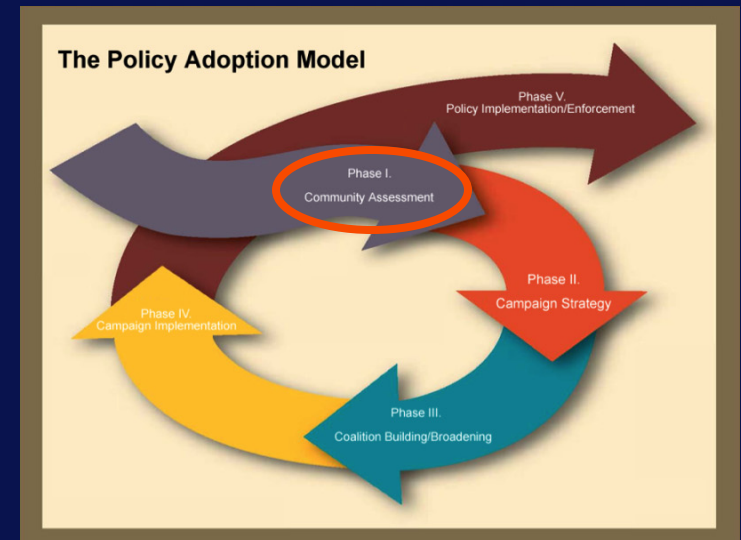
## Policy Adoption Model for Joint Use Initiatives

PHASE I Community Assessment	PHASE II Develop Strategy	PHASE III Coalition Building/Broadening	PHASE IV Implementation	PHASE V Project Oversight
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ STEP 1. Document the problem</li> <li>➤ STEP 2. Examine the political environment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ STEP 1. Identify goals for joint use project</li> <li>➤ STEP 2. Identify constituents, allies and opponents</li> <li>➤ STEP 3. Identify key decision makers to target for support</li> <li>➤ STEP 4. Choose tactics for obtaining support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ STEP 1. Build/broaden the coalition</li> <li>➤ STEP 2. Refine decision maker matrix and expand circles of influence</li> <li>➤ STEP 3. Assemble a joint use tool kit for presentations to target stakeholders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ STEP 1. Implement tactics from Phase II, Step 4</li> <li>➤ STEP 2. Obtain support of decision-makers from governing entities</li> <li>➤ STEP 3. Negotiate terms of agreement and prepare agreement for signature</li> <li>➤ STEP 4. Execute the agreement by obtaining all necessary signatures</li> <li>➤ STEP 5. Implement the joint use agreement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ STEP 1. Celebrate success</li> <li>➤ STEP 2. Educate the community about the agreement</li> <li>➤ STEP 3. Monitor use of recreational facility(ies) as per executed agreement</li> <li>➤ STEP 4. Determine need for amending executed agreement</li> <li>➤ STEP 5. Negotiate any necessary amendments with governing entities and prepare for signature</li> <li>➤ STEP 6. Obtain all necessary signatures to execute amendments</li> </ul>



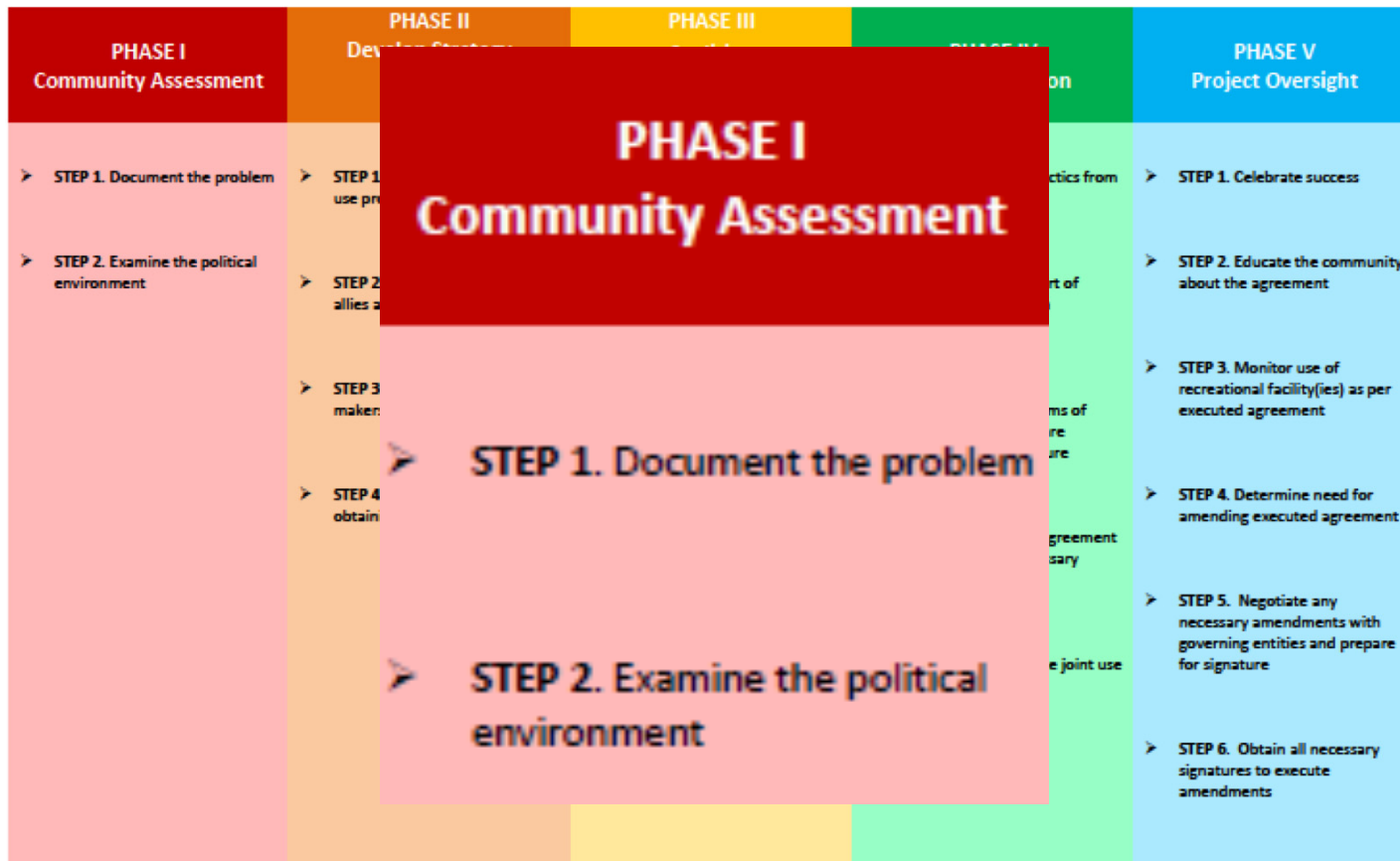
# Phase 1: Community Assessment

- Identify issues that will influence local policy makers
  - Document the public health problem
  - Investigate the political environment





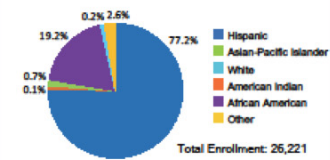
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**Elementary Schools** 24  
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Source: California Department of Education, 2008-09. <http://dq.cde.ca.gov/>

### District Enrollment by Ethnicity



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### Cities and Communities Health Data<sup>1,2,3</sup>

	Compton	East Compton	Los Angeles County
Prevalence of childhood obesity <sup>4</sup>	27.7	29.0	23.3%
Rank of childhood obesity prevalence (low to high out of 128)	94	107	—
Premature mortality from heart disease and stroke <sup>5</sup> (Years of Potential Life Lost)	2,620	1,913	1,183
Rank of premature mortality from heart disease and stroke (low to high out of 133)	129	122	—
Park area per capita <sup>6</sup> (acres/1K persons)	0.9	0.7	86
Rank of park area per capita (high to low out of 143)	88	94	—
Rank of economic hardship (least to most out of 142)	114	126	—

<sup>1</sup> Cities/Communities entirely within the District's boundaries include: Compton, and East Compton. Cities/Communities partially within the District's boundaries include: none.

<sup>2</sup> Source: Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Office of Health Assessment and Epidemiology, *Preventing Childhood Obesity: the need to create healthy places: A Cities and Communities Health Report*, October 2007.

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### Policy Recommendations for School Districts and Schools

- Improve the quality and increase the quantity of physical education instruction time.
- Establish district-level policy outlining district commitment to joint/shared use and providing district support for joint/shared use practice that goes beyond the Civic Center Act to provide community access to school recreational facilities after school hours.
- Establish district-level policies prohibiting the withholding of recess or use of physical activity as punishment.
- Establish safe routes to schools.
- Modify existing school wellness policies to ensure joint/shared and community use agreements are included.
- Site schools where they will promote physical activity, support smart growth and stronger communities, and avoid adverse impacts on neighborhood traffic patterns.



### District<sup>1</sup>

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE INDEX (API)		643	
Grade Levels	% of students not in Healthy Fitness Zone (HFZ) Aerobic Capacity	% of students not in Healthy Fitness Zone (HFZ) Body Composition	
Grade 5	52.5	42.9	
Grade 7	63.9	48.5	
Grade 9	66.1	40.8	

### Schools<sup>2</sup>

School Name	School Enrollment	% of students not in HFZ Aerobic Capacity	% of students not in HFZ Body Composition	API	School Name	School Enrollment	% of students not in HFZ Aerobic Capacity	% of students not in HFZ Body Composition	API
<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</b>					<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS —CONTINUED—</b>				
Anderson (K - 5th)	534	52.2	50.0	700	Roosevelt (K - 5th)	1,018	67.3	37.2	731
Bunche (K - 5th)	454	25.6	25.6	768	Rosecrans (K - 5th)	453	35.4	44.8	804
Bursch (K - 5th)	301	43.0	50.6	839	Tibby (K - 5th)	404	36.4	53.0	793
Caldwell (K - 5th)	301	44.4	37.8	706	Washington (K - 5th)	478	62.4	54.8	724
Carver (K - 5th)	359	46.6	50.0	767	Willard (K - 5th)	457	41.4	40.1	716
Clinton (K - 5th)	801	56.5	44.3	828	<b>MIDDLE SCHOOLS</b>				
Dickison (K - 5th)	889	53.6	45.8	707	Bunche (6th - 8th)	797	40.3	42.6	627
Emerson (K - 5th)	627	76.5	39.1	716	Davis (6th - 8th)	1,327	87.8	48.9	566
Foster (K - 5th)	684	30.3	49.4	722	Enterprise (6th - 8th)	624	77.1	47.5	697
Jefferson (K - 5th)	559	75.0	36.3	765	Roosevelt (6th - 8th)	1,252	56.1	52.7	666
Kelly (K - 5th)	906	30.4	39.9	705	Vanguard (6th - 8th)	414	84.0	48.0	674
Kennedy (K - 5th)	740	48.8	48.8	725	Walton (6th - 8th)	575	54.5	44.4	612
King (K - 5th)	601	80.0	33.8	632	Whaley (6th - 8th)	1,039	43.3	55.1	541
Laurel (K - 5th)	425	48.6	45.7	834	Willowbrook (6th - 8th)	512	71.0	40.1	638
Lincoln Drew (K - 5th)	316	90.6	45.3	674	<b>HIGH SCHOOLS</b>				
Longfellow (K - 5th)	676	45.5	32.3	741	Centennial (9th - 12th)	1,396	90.1	39.9	532
Mayo (K - 5th)	579	—	—	776	Compton (9th - 12th)	2,530	58.8	44.3	558
McKinley (K - 5th)	497	58.6	41.4	658	Dominquez (9th - 12th)	2,688	59.1	37.9	563
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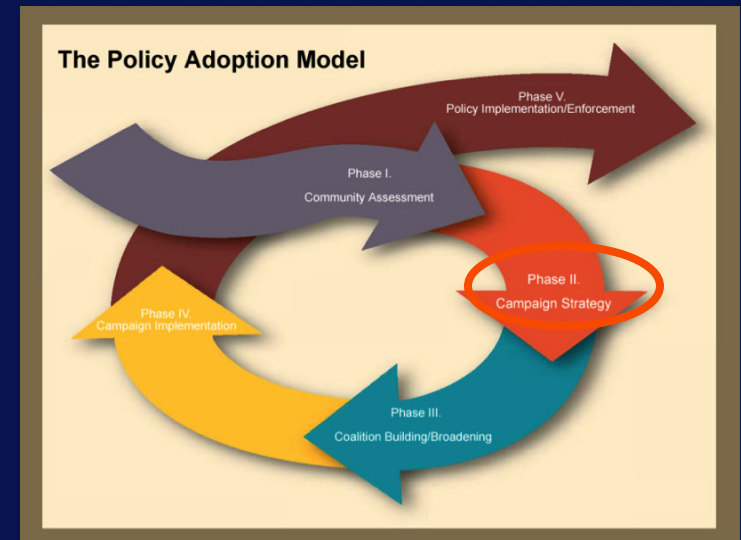
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<sup>4</sup> Childhood obesity prevalence of school children  
<sup>5</sup> Percentage of the total population  
<sup>6</sup> Parks include account for 8 community parks  
<sup>7</sup> The economic vitality index ranks persons over 18 years of age in each district. Data from the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health.



# Phase II: Campaign Strategy

- Use information gathered in Phase I
- Develop a roadmap to organize the campaign and build the power necessary to influence local policy makers
  - Complete a “strategy chart”

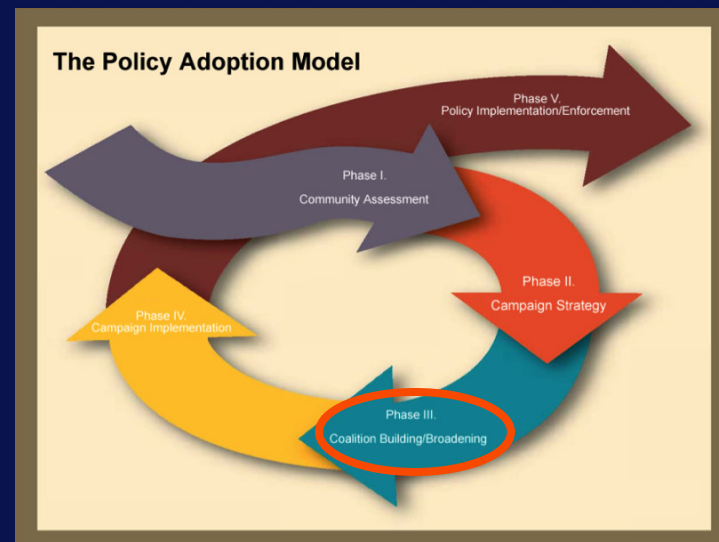


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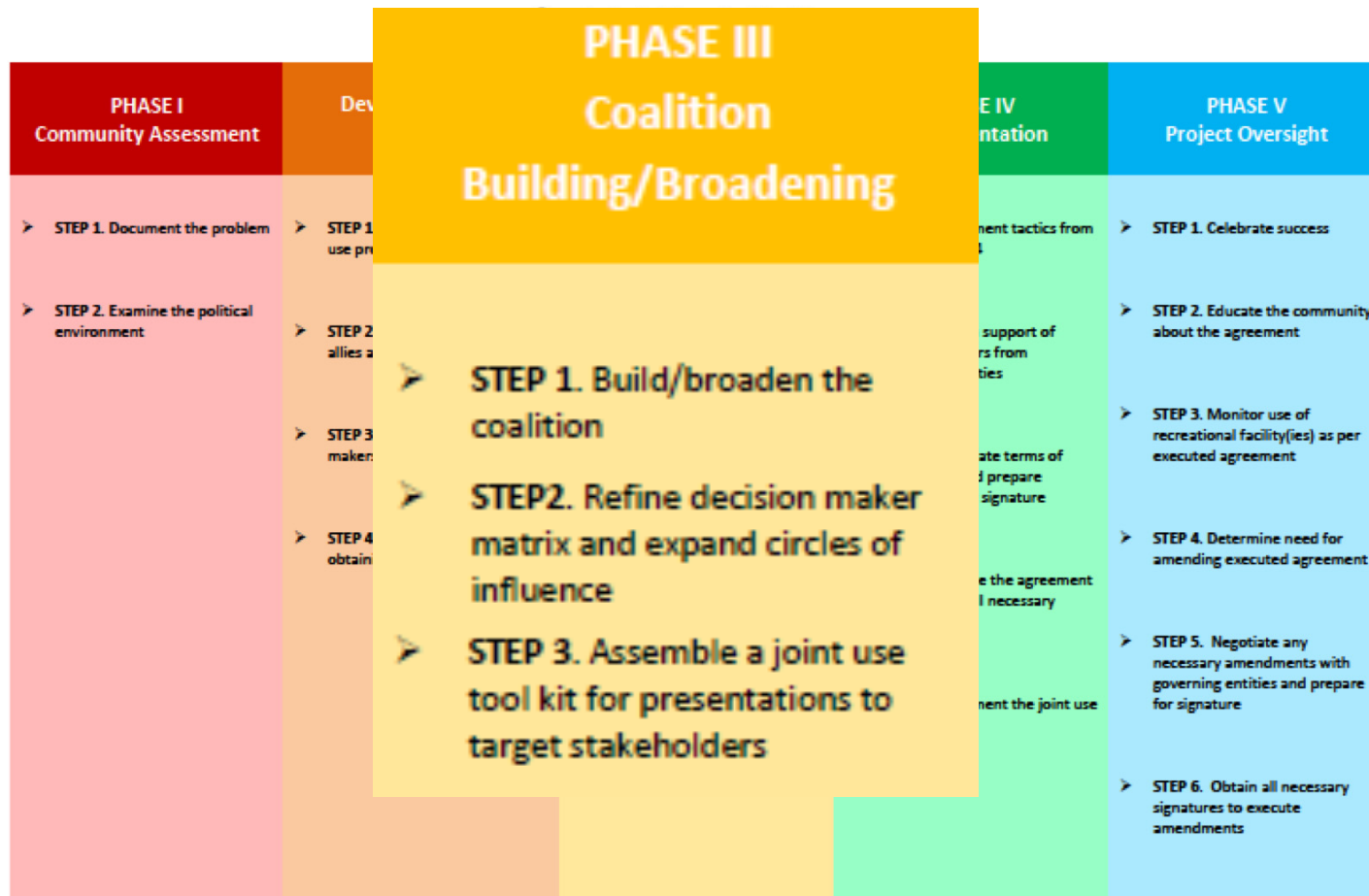


## Phase III: Coalition Building/Broadening

- Engage a diverse group of community stakeholders to ensure the needed leadership and skills are available to achieve the campaign goal
  - Recruit members
  - Facilitate and sustain a local coalition



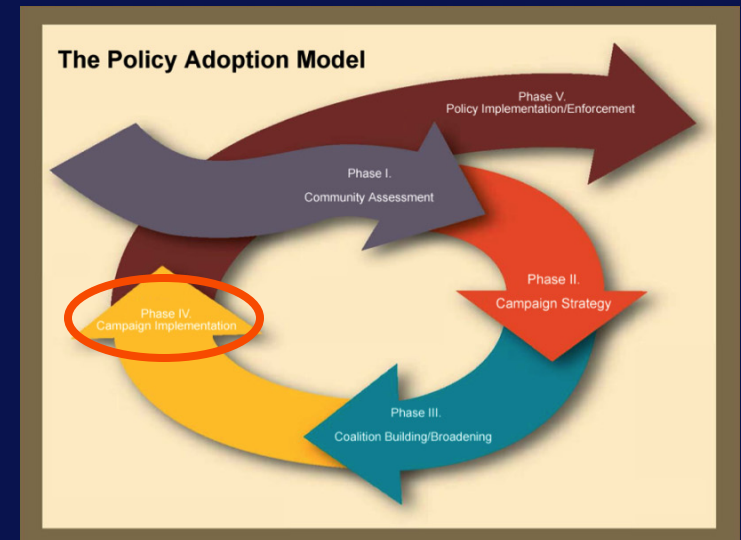
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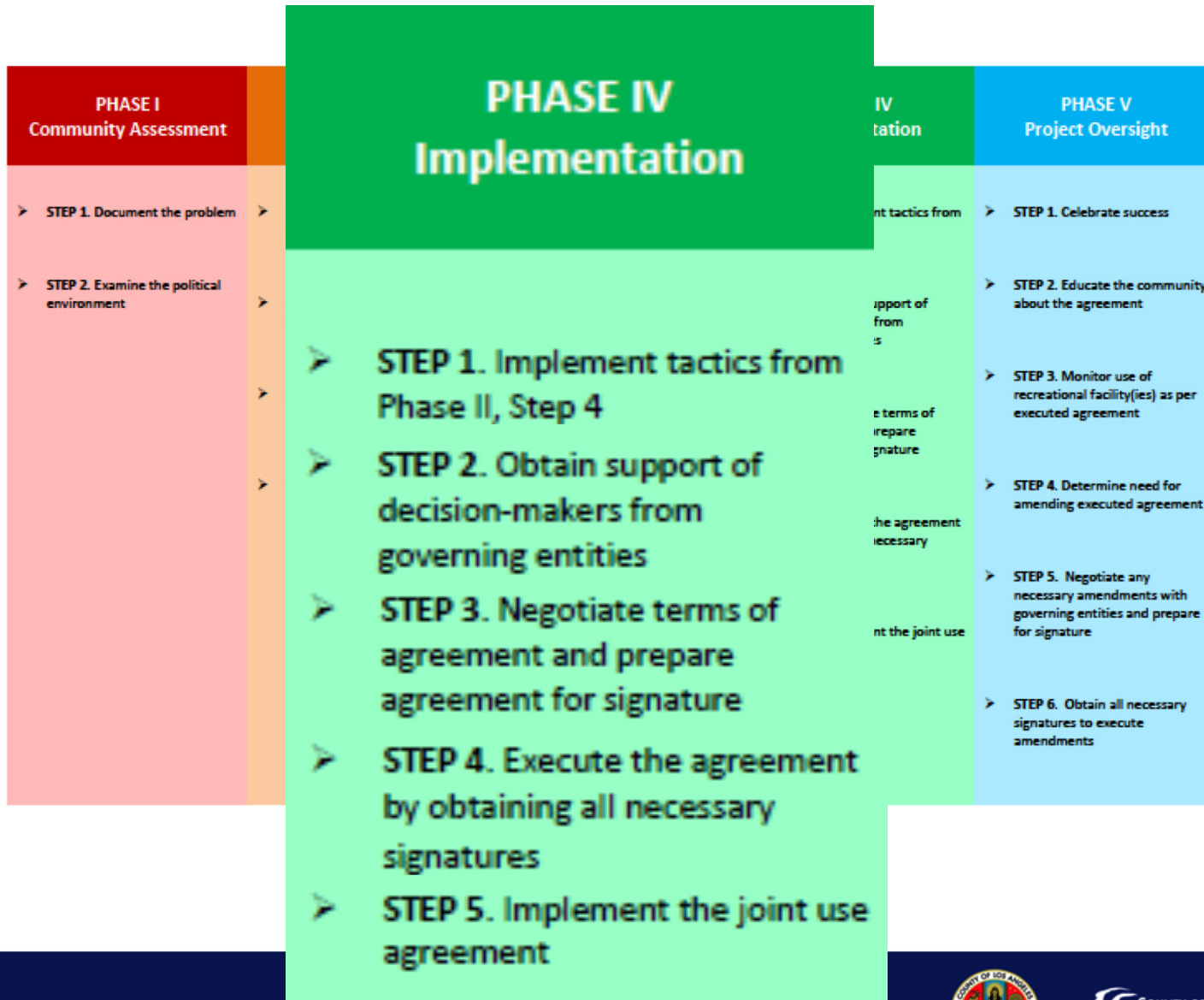


# Phase IV: Campaign Implementation

- Implement activities designed to influence local policy makers
  - Review/update the “strategy chart”
  - Link targets to tactics to achieve policy goal

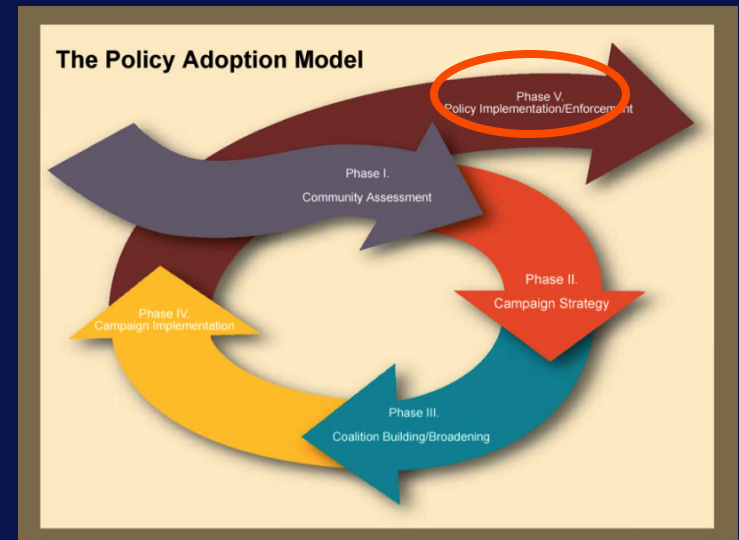


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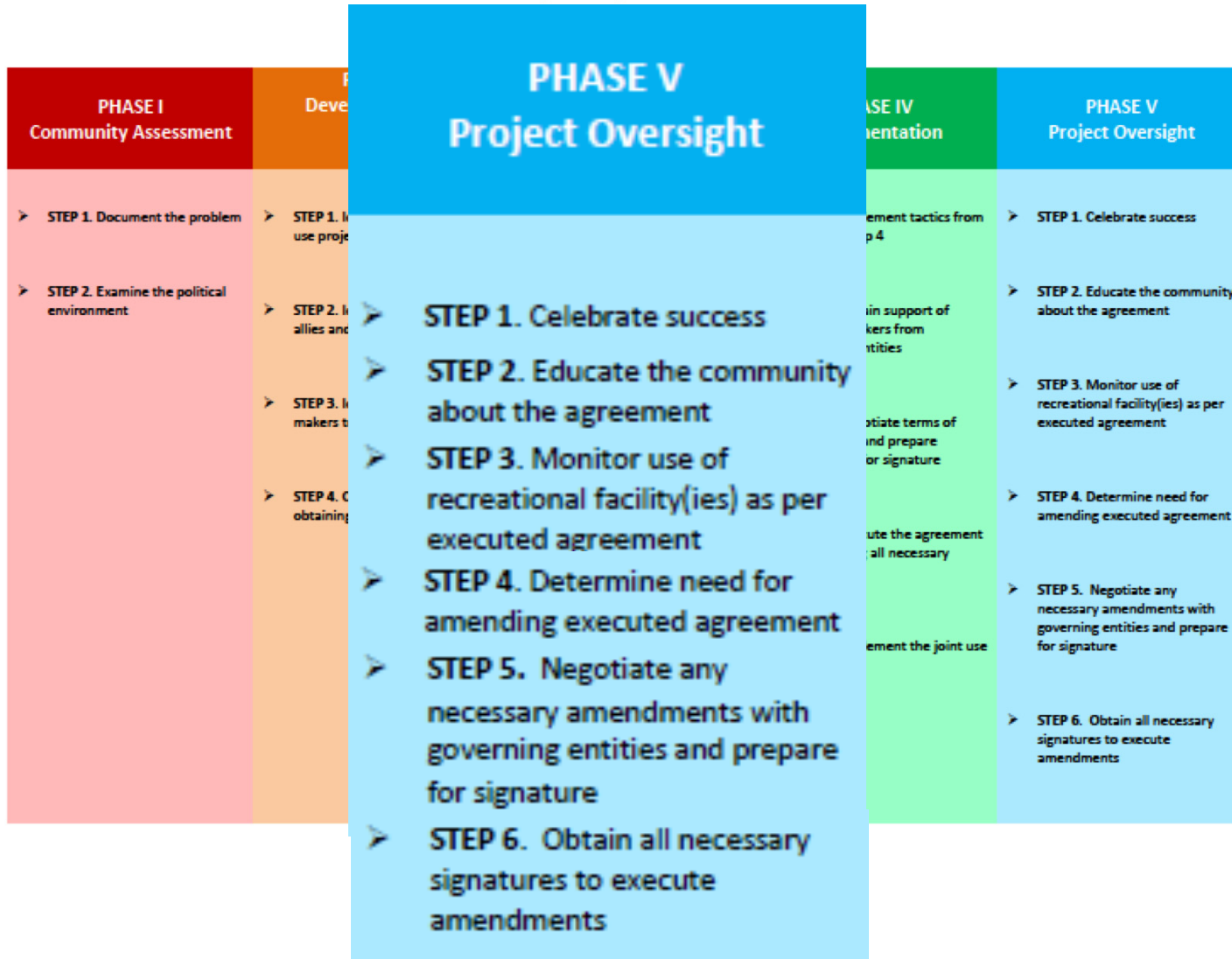


# Phase V: Implementation/Enforcement

- Ensure that the provisions of the policy are implemented and enforced:
  - Maintain/build new relationships
  - Educate the public
  - Monitor enforcement



## Policy Adoption Model



# Status of PAM JUI in LA County

- Being pilot tested now in the Inglewood Unified School District



“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful,  
committed citizens can change the world;  
Indeed it is the only thing that ever has.”



- Margaret Mead



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# Joint Use Resources

Statewide Joint Use Efforts: Promote healthy lifestyle choice through active living

[www.jointuse.org](http://www.jointuse.org)



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# Difference between Joint Use Policy and Joint Use Agreements

## Policy

- Outlines vision for joint partnerships
- Provides district directive for joint use that goes beyond the Civic Center Act
- Assigns management responsibilities for joint use at the district
- Remains in place, even if a joint use agreement ends

## Agreements

- Assigns roles and responsibilities of named partners
- Provides details for implementation
- Contains site-level details





## Joint Use in Los Angeles County

- ABC Unified
- Compton Unified
- El Monte City
- Los Angeles Unified
- Mountain View
- Pasadena Unified
- Pomona Unified



Diamond Ranch High School, Pomona Unified





## Cities/Communities in LA County with Lowest and Highest Childhood Obesity Rates, 2008

Top 10\*

Bottom 10\*

City/Community Name	Obesity Prevalence (%)	Rank of Economic Hardship (1 - 128)	City/Community Name	Obesity Prevalence (%)	Rank of Economic Hardship (1 - 128)
Manhattan Beach	3.4	2	West Athens	30.6	94
Calabasas	5.0	8	South Gate	30.7	110
Hermosa Beach	5.1	1	Florence-Graham	31.0	128
Agoura Hills	5.3	10	West Whittier-Los Nietos	31.1	81
Beverly Hills	5.4	19	West Carson	31.4	56
Malibu	5.9	4	Vincent	32.2	69
Palos Verdes Estates	7.3	5	East Los Angeles	32.9	117
San Marino	7.8	15	Hawaiian Gardens	33.4	107
Rolling Hills Estate	8.4	9	South El Monte	34.5	111
La Canada Flintridge	8.5	18	Walnut Park	38.7	113
<b>Average 10 lowest</b>	<b>6.2%</b>		<b>Average 10 highest</b>	<b>32.7%</b>	

\*Table excludes cities/communities where number of students with BMI data < 500.

Source: California Physical Fitness Testing Program, California Department of Education. Includes 5th, 7th, and 9th graders enrolled in LA County public schools.





## Joint Use Defined

### What is Joint Use?

- A **written agreement** that offers a way for school districts to open their facilities for community use.
- Unofficial **community-use agreements** also exist where school facilities are unlocked during non-school hours for general public recreational use.



# District Level Joint Use Policy



**Joint Use  
Agreement at  
School #1**



**Joint Use  
Agreement at  
School #2**



**Joint Use  
Agreement at  
School #3**



**Joint Use  
Agreement at  
School #4**



## JUMPP: *Joint Use Moving People to Play*

