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A New Decade Brings a Stronger Shared Vision for San Antonio

(San Antonio, TX) Today, SA2020 released the updated Community Data that tracks San Antonio's 2020 Community Vision during The Collective, a day of virtual learning led by dozens of San Antonio artists, writers, and thinkers. SA2020 also revealed the 2030 Community Vision, co-created by 12,296 San Antonians.

Every year, SA2020 releases an update on San Antonio's progress, utilizing over 30 sources to track Community Indicators prioritized by San Antonians. This year, Kiran Kaur Bains, SA2020's current Director of Community Impact and incoming President & CEO, and Molly Cox, SA2020's outgoing President & CEO, presented what the last ten years of trended community data tells us about leading change today.

This included an update on 60 Community Indicators, 19 of which have data updated through 2020. Of those, 16% (3) met the 2020 goal and 84% (16) did not. Forty-one indicators have data updates that range between 2016 and 2019. They are updated with the most recent data available as of January 10, 2021. Thirty-seven percent (15) are on track to meet the 2020 goal, 29% (12) are making progress but not at the rate to meet the goal, and 34% (14) are flat or getting worse.

"To look at these indicators as merely moving up or down," Molly cautioned, "masks the more complex story of targeted efforts that have driven real change, even incrementally, over the last decade. Across the data, you'll see room for celebration, and room for learning and doubling down efforts."

The 2030 Community Vision shifts the original eleven community results to nine. Community Safety and Family Well-Being are no longer stand-alone areas, but incorporated into other areas that measure community, civic engagement, and neighborhoods.

"The COVID-19 crisis exacerbated existing systemic inequities, which we understand well because San Antonians prioritized them as measures to track in 2010," said Kiran. "At SA2020, we believe the lessons learned from the past ten years offer strategies on how to sustainably recover from the crisis and honor the 2,027 people we have already lost to COVID-19."

[SA2020.org](https://sa2020.org) has been updated with overviews of each indicator, providing context and resources, as well as disaggregated data, where available, by race, gender, age, and geography. A printed commemorative report is for sale on the SA2020 website, and every City Council Member and Commissioner will receive copies for their district offices in mid-February.

About SA2020

SA2020 started as the shorthand for San Antonio's shared Community Vision and became the name under which they operate as a nonprofit. Holding on that name honors the original visioning process and solidifies the organization's continued work in holding institutions and the community at large accountable to shared goals. SA2020 drives progress toward a shared Community Vision for San Antonio through research, storytelling, and practice.

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