

# RESULTS BASED ACCOUNTABILITY

## DEFINITIONS

### Population

**Population Accountability.** *The well-being of whole populations. Communities, cities, counties, states.*

#### Result

A condition of well-being for children, adults, families, or communities.

- Children born healthy
- Children ready for school
- Safe communities
- Clean environment
- Prosperous economy

#### Indicator

A measure which helps quantify the achievement of a result.

- Rate of low-birth weight babies
- Percent ready at K entry
- Crime rate
- Air quality index
- Unemployment rate

### Performance

**Performance Accountability.** *The well-being of client populations. Programs, organizations, agencies.*

#### Program

A program, agency, strategy, solution, or service system.

- Department of Public Health
- Foundation
- Non-profit/community based organization
- Promise Neighborhood Partner
- Early childhood education service system

#### Performance Measure

A measure of how well a program, agency or service system is working.

1. How much did we do?
2. How well did we do it?
3. Is anyone better off?