

Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) Report for Howard

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Howard Community Health Needs Assessment Details

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Priority 1

Goal #1 will address Health Issues. We determined by review of the Howard County Community Assessment 2019 that the priority needs include specifically addressing heart disease, Mental health issues and obesity.

Data/Rationale

The Priority was reached through assessment of the 2019 Howard County Community Assessment 2019 that had 180 returned. 83.9% female. 16.1 % men. 98.3% Caucasian other 0.6%. Heart disease was determined as the number one cause of death in Howard County@ 29 deaths per 10K followed by cancer, chronic respiratory disease and lastly accidents @ 4.3 per 10K. 58% of survey respondents felt access to Mental Health was a major concern and 85% felt that obesity was a pressing health issue. Roadblocks that were identified as related to these health issues per the survey were lack of time, lack of motivation. Behaviors identified to improve these issues per survey included more physical exercise, eating more fruits/vegetables, drinking more water and decreasing stress.

Is this issue addressed in an improvement plan? Yes

Priority 2

Goal #2 will address social issues to include lack of parenting skills, drug dependency, and poverty.

Data/Rationale

The Priority was reached through assessment of the 2019 Howard County Community Assessment 2019 that had 180 returned. 83.9% female. 16.1 % men. 98.3% Caucasian other 0.6%. Poor parenting was noted as a greater than 50% concern noted on the survey. Illegal drug use was noted as an issue for over 75% on survey as a concern partnering with illegal drug manufacturing at 55%. Howard County population is 9228 which is lower the lowest in a 5 county region. Howard county age breakdown is 48.2% =18-65 age group. 20.5% >65 Years old 24.9%, 6- 18 years and 6.4% under 5. Median household income and home value is \$51422 and 107700. This compared to the 4 surrounding counties Winneshiek, Chickasaw, Mitchell, Allamakee mean income=\$53511. Home value \$125425. United states mean household income \$57652 with home value \$199200. People in poverty in Howard County 10.1%. Average 4 surrounding counties is 9.65%. United states 12.3%.

Is this issue addressed in an improvement plan? Yes

Howard Community Health Needs Assessment Snapshot

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Priority 2: Goal #2 will address social issues to include lack of parenting skills, drug dependency, and poverty.