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## **Yolo County's Top Health Needs Identified for Next Three Years**

*Residents and Community Groups Invited to Help Develop Community Health Improvement Plan*

**(Woodland, CA)** – For the second time, Yolo County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) collaborated with CommuniCare Health Centers, Dignity Health, Sutter Health, and Winters Healthcare, with support from Community Health Insights, to develop a new three-year Yolo County Community Health Needs Assessment 2022-2024 (CHNA).

"CHNAs are powerful tools for community leaders and residents to better understand our most significant health needs," said Board Chair, Supervisor Angel Barajas. "We can now translate this information into action, creating or enhancing programs meant to help support greater access and more equitable health outcomes."

The top health needs identified in the 2022 CHNA are:

1. Access to Basic Needs Such as Housing, Jobs, and Food
2. Access to Mental/Behavioral Health and Substance Use Services
3. Injury and Disease Prevention and Management
4. Active Living and Healthy Eating
5. Access to Quality Primary Care Health Services
6. System Navigation
7. Access to Specialty and Extended Care
8. Increased Community Connections
9. Safe and Violence-Free Environment
10. Access to Functional Needs
11. Access to Dental Care and Preventive Services

HHSA invites community partners, health care centers, and residents to join HHSA staff as part of a collaborative workgroup that will develop a three-year Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). The purpose of the CHIP is to create an action plan in response to the top significant health needs identified in the CHNA.

This process will begin in early Fall 2022 and will coincide with the release of the Yolo County Community Health Assessment (CHA). The CHA features the CHNA data and additional data sources that will help identify geographic areas or communities disproportionately impacted by health disparities to be addressed in the development of the CHIP.

If you are affiliated with a Yolo County agency or are a resident over the age of 14 and would like to know more about the CHIP workgroup or how to get involved, please send an email to [healthyyolo@yolocounty.org](mailto:healthyyolo@yolocounty.org), or call 530-902-1079.

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About the Community Health Needs Assessment: The information contained in the CHNA will help Dignity Health Woodland Memorial Hospital, Sutter Davis Hospital, and other healthcare organizations guide local planning and decision-making for community health investments. The CHNA will also help to inform public health planning efforts within HHSA. For each partner's complete report, please visit:

- CommuniCare Health Centers: <https://communicarehc.org/>
- Dignity Health: <https://www.dignityhealth.org/sacramento/about-us/community-health-and-outreach/health-needs-assessment>
- Sutter Health: <https://www.sutterhealth.org/for-patients/community-health-needs-assessment>
- Winters Healthcare: [www.wintershealthcare.org](http://www.wintershealthcare.org)