

2023-2025 Yolo County Community Health Assessment Executive Summary

## **Executive Summary**

The Community Health Assessment (CHA) was developed by the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency's Public Health Branch (HHSA). A CHA is a report that uses data analysis as well as community and leadership input to determine a county's Significant Health Needs (SHNs).

A SHN is a health-related issue seen widely across the community, and/or is a major issue for certain groups of people or a certain region of the county. A SHN can have a major impact on a person's overall health or quality of life.

The Yolo County 2023-2025 CHA has 11 SHNs. The 11 SHNs were identified through a data analysis process in 2021 during development of the Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA), led by Community Health Insights in partnership with Woodland Memorial Hospital, Sutter Davis Hospital, Winters Healthcare, CommuniCare Health Centers and HHSA. The CHNA included the most up-to-date available data at time of analysis.

The CHA also identifies the county's priority communities: families living in poverty, rural communities, and communities of color, particularly in West Sacramento and Woodland.



Finally, it calls out some of the foundational issues that impact the health of our community: systemic racism, classism, and inequitable access to opportunity.

The CHA is a tool for action. The next step is to take the information in the CHA and develop a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). A CHIP is the roadmap for addressing SHNs. CHIP development began in October 2022 and will go through the Summer of 2023. A CHIP workgroup made up of community-based organizations (CBOs), healthcare agencies, residents, and HHSA, is leading the effort. The workgroup will choose 1-3 priority areas to focus on over the next 3-years, and will then create a plan to address those priorities by choosing specific strategies, priority communities, partners, and meaningful ways to measure impact.

HHSA would like to thank the community, its healthcare and CBO partners, and all who have contributed to the development of this CHA, and the CHIP that will be finalized in the Summer of 2023. To learn more about the CHA and the CHIP, as well as the CHNA, please visit www.healthyyolo.org.

