

**Community Health Improvement Plan
Annual Staff Report
Board Meeting Date: March 27, 2025**

DATE: March 3, 2025

TO: District Board of Health

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SUBJECT: Presentation and possible acceptance of the 2022-2025 Community Health Improvement Plan 2024 Annual Report.

SUMMARY

The 2022-2025 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) reflects a long term, systemic commitment to addressing public health problems. Based on the findings of a 2022-2025 Community Health Assessment (CHA) and several community engagement activities, the 22-25 CHIP outlines the community's top priorities and a collective action plan for how health will be improved. Annually, community partners convene during CHIP Subcommittee meetings to discuss the progress of CHIP initiatives and opportunities to collaborate to further improve health outcomes in Washoe County. The Annual Report summarizes the information discussed with partners, provides an update about the status of initiatives, and efforts moving forward into the next phase of the CHIP.

District Health Strategic Priorities supported by this item:

- 1. Healthy Lives: Improve the health of our community by empowering individuals to live healthier lives.**
- 2. Healthy Environment: Create a healthier environment that allows people to safely enjoy everything Washoe County has to offer.**
- 3. Local Culture of Health: Lead a transformation in our community's awareness, understanding, and appreciation of health resulting in direct action.**
- 4. Impactful Partnerships: Extend our impact by leveraging partnerships to make meaningful progress on health issues.**

PREVIOUS ACTION

The 2023 CHIP Annual Report was accepted on April 4, 2023.

The 2022-2025 CHIP was presented and accepted on June 22, 2023.

The 2021 CHIP Plan Annual Report was presented and accepted on April 28, 2022.

The 2021 CHIP mid-year report was presented to the board and accepted on October 28, 2021.

The 2021 CHIP was presented to the board and accepted on November 19, 2020.

The 2017, 2018 and 2019 CHIP annual reports have been presented to the board and accepted.

The first and second version of the 2018-2022, and 2021 CHIP was presented to the board and accepted.

BACKGROUND

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- A CHIP Steering Committee representative of the Washoe County community was formed to support the CHIP planning process, review the prioritization activity results, and to provide their perspective on health needs during the decision-making process to determine CHIP focus areas.
- The Health Equity Team facilitated a Listening Tour to bridge the CHA process and the CHIP process to assure the voices of traditionally under-represented populations were included as part of the process.
- In October 2022, approximately 150 community partners attended a CHIP Community Forum to prioritize areas of greatest need for improvement based on the 22-25 CHA results and Listening Tour insights. The prioritization activity, 22-25 CHA results and Listening Tour insights informed the CHIP Steering Committee's decision to focus on the following areas for the next three to five years: 1) Social Determinants of Health 2) Mental Health 3) Access to Health Care and 4) Preventive Health Behaviors.
- Following the selection of focus areas, CHIP Focus Area committee meetings and targeted community partner meetings were held to discuss and identify opportunities to collaborate and align resources on initiatives that had the most potential to improve health outcomes. Included in the CHIP document are action plans that describe the implementation activities for each initiative.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept the 2022-2025 Community Health Improvement Plan 2024 Annual Report, there will be no fiscal impact to the adopted FY24 budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the DBOH review and accept the 2022-2025 Community Health Improvement Plan 2024 Annual Report as presented.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be "Move to accept the 2022-2025 Community Health Improvement Plan 2024 Annual Report as presented."