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HOMELESSNESS

Victorville: 2nd highest concentration of homeless persons in the County for a third year; 2019 experienced a 35.4% increase in Homelessness.

California Advancing & Improving Medi-Cal (Cal AIM)

1. Identify risk(s) and manage care addressing SDOH
2. Move Medi-Cal to a more seamless system
3. Improve quality outcomes, reduce health disparities, drive system transformation through value-based initiatives and payment reform.

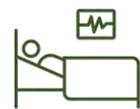
Social Determinants of Health



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Providence St. Mary Medical Center strives to create awareness of current and needed services to high-need neighborhoods through advocacy. Healthy Communities' efficacy exuberates the hospital's vision of "Health for a Better World" by creating awareness. Providing mental health and substance-use education brings resources that address our poor and vulnerable populations' needs in a dignified manner. Investing in housing and services to those experiencing homelessness can improve the population's chronic needs experiencing homelessness. The hospital's Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) identified three (3) prime health priorities amongst our served communities:

- 1.) Access to Care 2.) Mental Health 3.) Homelessness & Housing Instability



HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS TASK FORCE:



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"Homelessness was ranked highest of all the social issues by both community residents and partners."



Problem: The High Desert lacks support services and housing to meet the needs of people who experience homelessness. As a result, data-supported an influx of emergency department (ED) visits that were avoidable amongst this vulnerable population.

Vision: Promote community support to expands services and shelters to people experiencing homelessness, scale-up the availability of housing, and improve the quality of health services provided.

Senate Bill (SB) No. 1152:



Hospital patient discharge process: Homeless Patients

Assembly Bill (AB) No. 240:

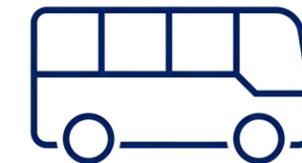


Local Health Department Workforce Assessment

Rationale: Our nation intersected two major paradigm shifts; presidential election and a global pandemic. This hurdle granted opportunities to analyze data from the hospital's emergency department (ED), service-area demographics, quality improvement metrics, and care delivery tactics to our vulnerable populations in rural areas.

- Primary Care
- Dental Care
- Preventative Care
- Acute Care
- Continuum of Care
- Referrals Social Services
- Psychotherapy
- Community Health Education
- Transportation

Action Plan: To reduce ED admissions, delivering care to communities in need is advantageous for the population's health, cost, and overall quality. We are bringing solutions to the problems for opportunities for improvements – *Health for a Better World.*



Delivering Equitable Care

- Evidence-Based Practice (EBP)
- Reduce Health Disparities & Social Inequalities
- Values: Justice & Dignity
- Community Engagement