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## 2020 Stanislaus County Community Report and Community Health Improvement Plan

Stanislaus County - Stanislaus County Health Services Agency — Public Health Division (HSA/PH), and the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) Steering Committee are pleased to release the 2020 Stanislaus County Community Report and the 2020 Stanislaus County Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). These reports are the culmination of a three-year community planning effort led by the HSA/PH with oversight from the MAPP Steering Committee. The MAPP Steering Committee is comprised of diverse leaders from Stanislaus County representing multiple sectors of the local public health system, guided by the shared vision of, "A thriving community where all people have the opportunity to be safe and healthy."

The CHIP and the Community Report were informed by data collected and analyzed from the previously released 2020 Stanislaus County Community Health Assessment (CHA). The CHA included both quantitative data from local, state, and national databases, and qualitative data from community focus groups, key informant interviews, and local community meetings. The CHA can be found at <a href="http://schsa.org/cha.">http://schsa.org/cha.</a> HSA/PH facilitated the construction of the CHIP through a collaboration with residents, nonprofit organizations, faith-based leaders, and health-based organizations. As a result of this planning process, four focus areas were identified and a plan for improved community health was developed.

## The four focus areas include:

- Chronic Disease
- Housing and Homelessness
- Tobacco and Substance Use
- Communicable Disease

Improving health outcomes in Stanislaus County is a collaborative effort, and the CHIP activities reflect community partners' commitment to realizing a thriving community where all people have the opportunity to be safe and healthy. The CHIP outlines specific actionable steps and strategies to be taken collectively over the next five years to achieve the desired results and

targets identified within each of the four focus areas. Each focus area includes key indicators that will be monitored and evaluated to determine if the state of health and well-being is improving in Stanislaus County. Cutting across each of the focus areas is the topic of equity. The strategies call attention to racial and ethnic, economic, geographic, and age disparities seen within our communities. The COVID-19 pandemic, which has magnified existing disparities impacting the community, has highlighted the need to address the identified focus areas and the communities they impact.

The 2020 Stanislaus County Community Report includes an overview and highlights from both the CHA and the CHIP. This report is intended to be a resource for county partners, stakeholders, and the broader community in understanding key county data, and related objectives and strategies that will be implemented over the next five years.

The three reports reveal how healthy the Stanislaus County population is, priority health concerns, and how to take collective actions towards improving the quality of life for all Stanislaus County residents.

The full reports can be accessed at <a href="http://schsa.org/CommunityReport">http://schsa.org/CHIP</a>. A copy of the Community Report and CHIP are attached.

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