Mercy Medical Center Redding Community Benefit 2020 Report and 2021 Plan

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A message from

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Dignity Health's approach to community health improvement aims to address significant health needs identified in the Community Health Needs Assessments that we conduct with community input, including from the local public health department. Our initiatives to deliver community benefit include financial assistance for those unable to afford medically necessary care, a range of prevention and health improvement programs conducted by the hospital and with community partners, and investing in efforts that address social determinants of health.

Mercy Medical Center Redding shares a commitment with others to improve the health of our community, and delivers programs and services to help achieve that goal. The Community Benefit 2020 Report and 2021 Plan describes much of this work. This report meets requirements in California state law (Senate Bill 697) that not-for-profit hospitals produce an annual community benefit report and plan. Dignity Health hospitals in Arizona and Nevada voluntary produce these reports and plans, as well. We are proud of the outstanding programs, services and other community benefits our hospital delivers, and are pleased to report to our community.

In fiscal year 2020 (FY20), Mercy Medical Center Redding provided \$10,457,263 in patient financial assistance, unreimbursed costs of Medicaid, community health improvement services and other community benefits. The hospital also incurred \$59,486,062 in unreimbursed costs of caring for patients covered by Medicare.

The hospital's Community Board reviewed, approved and adopted the Community Benefit 2020 Report and 2021 Plan at its November, 2020 meeting.

Thank you for taking the time to review our report and plan. We welcome any questions or ideas for collaborating that you may have, by reaching to out to Alexis Ross, Director Service Area Community Health at 530.225.6114 or by email at alexis.ross@dignityhealth.org.

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At-a-Glance Summary



There are three incorporated cities within Shasta County - Anderson, Redding and the City of Shasta Lake, which account for 62 percent of the total county population. The remainder of county residents live in outlying rural communities. Shasta County's population has grown by 9.3% between 2000 and 2014. Most (97.7%) of that growth was due to migration into the county.

Due to its large land area and the high percent of residents living in rural areas, Shasta County has a population density five times lower than California. Furthermore, the county population is proportionally older and less racially diverse than the state. The county demographics are on a trend to become even older, while the racial makeup of residents is growing in diversity.

The following zip codes make up the primary service area for Mercy Medical Center Redding: 96001, 96002, 96003, 96007, 96019, 96022, 96073, 96088 and 96093.

Economic Value of Community Benefit

\$10,457,263 in patient financial assistance, unreimbursed costs of Medicaid, community health improvement services, community grants and other community benefits

\$59,486,062 in unreimbursed costs of caring for patients covered by Medicare

Significant Community Health Needs Being Addressed

The significant community health needs the hospital is helping to address and that form the basis of this document were identified in the hospital's most recent Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA). Needs being addressed by strategies and programs are:



- Alcohol and other Substance Abuse
- Child Abuse
- Diabetes
- Mental Health
- Tobacco Use

FY20 Programs and Services



The hospital delivered several programs and services to help address identified significant community health needs. These included:

- Cancer: Thriving and Surviving Program
- Community Grants
- Community Health Education
- Health Professions Education
- Human Trafficking Medical Safe Haven
- Medications for Uninsured and Indigent

- No-cost Prostate Cancer Screening
- Tobacco Recovery Program
- Transportation Services

FY21 Planned Programs and Services



For FY21, the hospital plans to build upon many of the FY20 initiatives and explore new partnership opportunities with Shasta County community organizations with the intention of them continuing over the next three years.

This document is publicly available online at https://www.dignityhealth.org/north-state/locations/mercy-redding/about-us/community-benefit

Written comments on this report can be submitted to the Mercy Medical Center Redding via the Community Health Office at 2175 Rosaline Ave, Redding, CA 96001 or by e-mail to Alexis Ross at alexis.ross@dignityhealth.org.

Our Hospital and the Community Served

About Mercy Medical Center Redding

Mercy Medical Center Redding is a member of Dignity Health, which is a part of CommonSpirit Health.

The Hospital is located at the tip of the Sacramento River Valley in Redding, California and serves as a regional referral center for far Northern California. The Hospital offers major medical services including a Level II Trauma Center with a dedicated Orthopedic Traumatologist, Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Cardiovascular Services, and Oncology Services. Mercy Medical Center Redding is also the sole provider of obstetrical services in its primary service area. Mercy Medical Center Redding is licensed for 267-beds and has approximately 1,800 employees.

Our Mission

As CommonSpirit Health, we make the healing presence of God known in our world by improving the health of the people we serve, especially those who are vulnerable, while we advance social justice for all.

Our Vision

A healthier future for all – inspired by faith, driven by innovation, and powered by our humanity.

Financial Assistance for Medically Necessary Care

Mercy Medical Center Redding delivers compassionate, high quality, affordable health care and advocates for members of our community who are poor and disenfranchised. In furtherance of our mission, the hospital provides financial assistance to eligible patients who do not have the capacity to pay for medically necessary health care services, and who otherwise may not be able to receive these services.

A plain language summary of the policy is at the end of this report. The financial assistance policy and plain language summary are on the hospital's web site.

Description of the Community Served

Mercy Medical Center Redding is located at the tip of the Sacramento River Valley in Redding, California and serves as a regional referral center for far Northern California. While the majority of individuals served reside in Shasta County there are community health services available to bordering communities in Tehama and Trinity Counties.

Mercy Medical Center Redding serves a primary service area population of 205,975 residents. Shasta County is a rural county with the residents being spread out over approximately 3,775 square miles. Due to the rural nature of the county access to care is a consistent barrier for the many residents who are medically underserved and low-income and minority populations.



A summary description of the hospital's primary service area's demographic indicators for the hospital's primary service area is listed below (Source Claritas Pop-Facts® 2020; SG2 Market Demographic Module) and additional details can be found in the CHNA report online.

Total Population: 205,472Hispanic or Latino: 12.4%

• Race: 77.5% White, 1.0% Black/African American, 3.2% Asian/Pacific Islander, 6.0% All Others

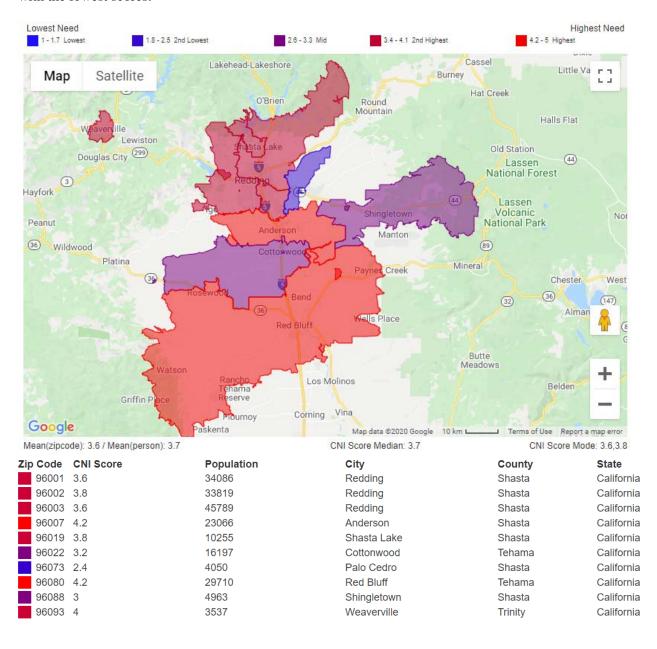
Below Poverty: 11.4%Unemployment: 5.7%

No High School Diploma: 9.9%
Medicaid (household): 9.1%
Uninsured (household): 5.6%

Community Need Index

One tool used to assess health need is the Community Need Index (CNI) created and made publicly available by Dignity Health and IBM Watson Health. The CNI analyzes data at the zip code level on five factors known to contribute or be barriers to health care access: income, culture/language, education, housing status, and insurance coverage.

Scores from 1.0 (lowest barriers) to 5.0 (highest barriers) for each factor are averaged to calculate a CNI score for each zip code in the community. Research has shown that communities with the highest CNI scores experience twice the rate of hospital admissions for ambulatory care sensitive conditions as those with the lowest scores.



Community Assessment and Significant Needs

The hospital engages in multiple activities to conduct its community health improvement planning process. These include, but are not limited, to conducting a Community Health Needs Assessment with community input at least every three years, identifying collaborating community stakeholder organizations, describing anticipated impacts of program activities and measuring program indicators.

Community Health Needs Assessment

The health issues that form the basis of the hospital's community benefit plan and programs were identified in the most recent CHNA report, which was adopted in June, 2019.

The CHNA contains several key elements, including:

- Description of the assessed community served by the hospital;
- Description of assessment processes and methods;
- Presentation of data, information and findings, including significant community health needs;
- Community resources potentially available to help address identified needs; and
- Discussion of impacts of actions taken by the hospital since the preceding CHNA.

Additional detail about the needs assessment process and findings can be found in the CHNA report, which is publicly available at https://www.dignityhealth.org/north-state/locations/mercy-redding/about- us/community-benefit or upon request at the hospital's Community Health office.

Significant Health Needs

The most recent community health needs assessment identified the following significant community health needs:

- Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse (including Tobacco Use)
 - Shasta County residents exhibit a slightly higher rate of excessive drinking than the State. Shasta County's rate is 19% which is similar to the rate for the State (18%). Additionally, the number of alcohol-impaired driving deaths in Shasta County is significantly higher than the State.
 - The California Department of Public Health County Health Opioid Overdose Surveillance Dashboard data indicates the age-adjusted death rate for opioid induced deaths for Shasta County is 14.1 per 100,000 while the state of California experienced 5.5 deaths per 100,000 people.
 - Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death and can lead to disease and disability that harms nearly every organ of the body¹. Adult tobacco use in Shasta County is 14% and is higher than the State rate of 11%².
- Child Abuse

In 2015, there were 3,401 total reports of child abuse in Shasta County. Children who are abused or neglected, including those who witness domestic violence, also are more likely to experience

¹ Center for Disease Control and Prevention

² County Health Rankings

cognitive, emotional, and behavioral problems, such as anxiety, depression, substance abuse, delinquency, difficulty in school, and early sexual activity.

• Communicable Diseases

Many reportable diseases can be prevented through vaccination of vulnerable populations, or through the use of protective measures, such as condoms for the prevention of sexually-transmitted diseases. Shasta County residents exhibit lower rates of vaccine-preventable diseases and sexually transmitted diseases than the State.

Diabetes

Shasta County has a slightly lower rate (7.3%) than the State rate (9.6%) of individuals aged 20 and over who received a diabetes diagnosis. Even though Shasta County's rate of diagnosed diabetes is lower than the State, diabetes is listed in the leading causes of death in Shasta County indicating a sustained health need.

Mental Health

There is a lack of access to mental health services in Mercy Medical Center Redding's service area due, in part, to a lack of providers and ongoing sustainable funding for services. Compared to California, Shasta County has a lower rate of providers relative to the population. Shasta County residents report slightly higher rates of reported mentally unhealthy days and frequent mental distress days.

Significant Needs the Hospital Does Not Intend to Address

Mercy Medical Center Redding does not have the capacity or resources to address all identified significant health needs. The hospital is not directly planning interventions that would fully address communicable diseases. Shasta County is home to a wealth of organizations, businesses, and nonprofits that currently offer programs and services in several of the identified significant health needs areas. While there are potential resources available to address all of the identified needs of the community, the needs are too significant and diverse for any one organization. Mercy Medical Center Redding will continue to build community capacity by strengthening partnerships among local community based organizations.

2020 Report and 2021 Plan

This section presents strategies and program activities the hospital is delivering, funding or on which it is collaborating with others to address significant community health needs. It summarizes actions taken in FY20 and planned activities for FY21, with statements on anticipated impacts, planned collaboration, and patient financial assistance for medically necessary care. Program Digests provide detail on select programs' goals, measurable objectives, expenses and other information.

This report specifies planned activities consistent with the hospital's mission and capabilities. The hospital may amend the plan as circumstances warrant. For instance, changes in significant community

health needs or in community assets and resources directed to those needs may merit refocusing the hospital's limited resources to best serve the community.

The anticipated impacts of the hospital's activities on significant health needs are summarized below, and for select program initiatives are stated in Program Digests. Overall, the hospital anticipates that actions taken to address significant health needs will: improve health knowledge, behaviors, and status; increase access to needed and beneficial care; and help create conditions that support good health. The hospital works to evaluate



impact and sets priorities for its community health programs in triennial Community Health Needs Assessments.

Creating the Community Benefit Plan

Mercy Medical Center Redding is dedicated to improving community health and delivering community benefit with the engagement of its management team, board, clinicians and staff, and in collaboration with community partners. A broad approach with multi-disciplinary teams is taken when planning and developing initiatives to address priority health issues. During the initiative inception phase, Community Health Staff engages a core internal team that may include clinical staff, care coordinators and social workers, members of leadership teams at both the service area and local levels from Mission Integration, IT, Legal, Administration, Strategy, and Finance. These core teams help shape initiatives, provide internal perspective on issues, and help define appropriate processes, procedures and methodologies for measuring outcomes. In addition to internal core teams, Mercy Medical Center Redding also widens the scope of program design and elicits design input, feedback, recommendations, and concerns from the following groups:

- North State Community Board
- Mercy Medical Center Redding Advisory Council
- Local Area Community Grant Committee

Impact of the Coronavirus Pandemic

In response to the Coronavirus pandemic, the Hospital recognized and responded to the ongoing health and basic needs of our community members. Hospital staff engaged in communication meetings with the Shasta County Public Health Department which allowed the hospital to respond promptly to the evolving needs of the community. Early on in the pandemic, Community Health staff partnered with the local YMCA to implement a day camp to provide childcare services for first



responders at low or no-cost for those that qualified. The Hospital's support also allowed the YMCA to offer extended operating hours to accommodate twelve hour shifts. The Hospital also partnered with FaithWorks to help secure funding for their clients to be used for rental assistance to keep them from being evicted caused by the Coronavirus pandemic - job loss, reduced hours, etc.

Community Health staff reached out to all local community partners, collaboratives, and coalitions and provided Coronavirus related patient education for dissemination to their clients and family members. The Hospital's marketing team provided an essential role in disseminating frequent messaging through, the use of social media, to keep community residents aware of any changes in the facility as a result of the pandemic.

In FY21, the Hospital plans to continue to monitor and respond to the health needs of the community through capacity building efforts to meet the acute care needs of community members, as well as, leverage the community grants program to help our community partners meet the needs of their clients.

Report and Plan by Health Need

The tables below present strategies and program activities the hospital has delivered or intends to deliver to help address significant health needs identified in the community health needs assessment.

They are organized by health need and include statements of strategy and program impact, and any collaboration with other organizations in our community.

Health Need	: Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Substance Use		
Strategy or Program Name	Summary Description	Active FY20	Planned FY21
Community Health Education	Tobacco Recovery Self-Management Workshops	\boxtimes	\boxtimes

Continuum of Care	Community grant to Empire Recovery Center for Detox Services	
Multisector Countywide Collaboration – Shasta County Whole Person Care	Through Whole Person Care, direct qualifying patient referrals to comprehensive care management for substance abuse and other coinciding issues.	

Impact: Hospital patients and community members will be referred to health and social services, as appropriate, to ultimately improve overall health outcomes and decreasing substance abuse prevalence.

Collaboration: Efforts in this area require collaboration with an internal multi-disciplinary team as well as collaboration with a variety of community-based non-profit organizations.



Health Need: Child Abuse

Strategy or Program Name	Summary Description	Active FY20	Planned FY21
Child Abuse	Partner with the Children's Legacy Center to provide to help establish an on-site forensic medical exam room for child victims of abuse, neglect and trafficking	\boxtimes	
Community Partnership	Partner with the Pathways to Hope for Children to offer wraparound services to help break generational cycles of abuse		
Community Partnerships	Community Partnerships and information dissemination regarding intervention for child maltreatment		
Collaborative	Participate on the Northern California Adverse Childhood Experiences Collaborative	\boxtimes	

Impact: Develop strategic partnerships between community-based organizations and Mercy Medical Center Redding. Resources are leveraged to address this issue in a way that has a direct, positive, measureable and lasting impact on the health and resiliency of our community.

Collaboration: Efforts in this area require collaboration with an internal multi-disciplinary team as well as collaboration with a variety of community-based non-profit organizations



Health Need: Diabetes

Strategy or Program Name	Summary Description	Active FY20	Planned FY21
Community Health Education	The Diabetes Empowerment Education Program (DEEP) is an evidence-based diabetes education program for people with diabetes or pre-diabetes.		×
Pre-Diabetes Awareness Campaign	Collaboration with Shasta County Public Health, KIXE, and Shasta Community Health Center to bring awareness to health professionals and community members about pre-diabetes.		

Impact: The anticipated result of offering these activities is to improve the health and quality of life for those who suffer from diabetes, enable participants to better manage their disease, and create a supportive environment for individuals to learn critical skills and enhance their knowledge on self-management.

Collaboration: Education sessions and workshops are conducted in collaboration with a variety of community organizations and are held in locations accessible to the residents, such as senior housing communities and organizations that serve a high percentage of residents that have or are caring for family members with chronic illnesses.

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Health Need: Mental Health

Strategy or Program Name	Summary Description	Active FY20	Planned FY21
Tele-Psychiatry	Psychiatrists are able to provide early evaluation and psychiatric intervention via remote consultations with patients, improving access to timely quality care. Access is available to both the ED and inpatient setting.		
Multisector Countywide Collaboration – Shasta County Whole Person Care	Through Whole Person Care, direct qualifying patient referrals to comprehensive care management for substance abuse and other coinciding issues.		
Behavioral Evaluation Services	Coordinate behavioral health evaluations with Shasta County Behavioral Health Department to assess patient needs and risks and to provide referrals 24-hours daily, 365 days per year to anyone who presents at the hospital Emergency Departments. These services are provided regardless of the individual's ability to pay or eligibility for care at our facility.		

Impact: The hospital's initiatives to address mental/behavioral health have anticipated results in: increasing the community's knowledge of common mental health issues and how to deal with them, empowering the community to understand prescription drug abuse, and support projects that will impact the community's access to mental/behavioral health services.

Collaboration: Mercy Medical Center Redding will continue to partner with other local organizations that respond to the health needs of our community. Community-based collaborations have been a priority in past years and the hospital will continue to drive community benefit efforts in the future.

Community Grants Program

One important way the hospital helps to address community health needs is by awarding financial grants to non-profit organizations working together to improve health status and quality of life. Grant funds are used to deliver services and strengthen service systems, to improve the health and well-being of vulnerable and underserved populations.

In FY20, the hospital awarded the grants below totaling \$221,543. Some projects also may be described elsewhere in this report.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Amount
Tri County Community Network	Help Me Grow Shasta	\$50,000
Northern California Center for Family Awareness	Kids' Turn Whole-Family Divorce Workshops	\$30,000
Empire Recovery Center	2020 Partnership: Helping Addicted Indigents through Empire's Detox & Residential Services	\$41,543
Shasta Women's Refuge dba One Safe Place	OSP Strangulation Clinic	\$100,000

Program Digests

The following pages include Program Digests describing key programs and initiatives that address one or more significant health needs. The digests include program descriptions and intervention actions, statements of which health needs are being addressed, any planned collaboration, and program goals and measurable objectives.

Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse		
Significant Health Needs Addressed	 ✓ Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse (including Tobacco) □ Child Abuse □ Diabetes ✓ Mental Health 	
Program Description	Empower the community to understand prescription drug abuse, and support projects that will impact the community's access to mental/behavioral health services.	
Community Benefit Category	A – Community Health Improvement Services	
	FY 2020 Report	
Program Goal / Anticipated Impact	The hospital's initiatives to address substance abuse and co-occurring mental/behavioral health have anticipated results in: increasing the community's knowledge of common mental health issues and how to deal with them.	
Measurable Objective(s) with Indicator(s)	Provide health education, cancer screenings, and other educational opportunities to increase awareness about risk factors and early identification of cancer in an effort to reduce preventable cancer-related deaths.	
Intervention Actions for Achieving Goal	 Opioid Awareness event to educate the community to identify and refer community members to available resources Offer at least one Tobacco Recovery Self-Management Workshop Continue collaboration with Empire Recovery Center for Detox Services 	
Collaboration	Shasta Community Health Center, Empire Recovery Center and other community-based organizations as appropriate	
Performance / Impact	 An opioid awareness community-wide event took place in September, 2019. Over 250 community members attended the event and were shown the movie Written Off. After the movie showing participants were able to engage in a Q&A session with a panel of local health providers. Additionally, hospital staff gave a presentation to a local Rotary about opioid abuse. In partnership with Shasta Community Health Center, four Tobacco Recovery Self-Management workshops were conducted with a total of 26 participants The hospital continued to collaborate with Empire Recovery Center serving as a referral source for clients and provided a community grant for their detox services program for homeless and indigent addicts 	
Hospital's Contribution / Program Expense	\$77,624	

FY 2021 Plan	
Program Goal / Anticipated Impact	The hospital's initiatives to address substance abuse and co-occurring mental/behavioral health have anticipated results in: increasing the community's knowledge of common mental health issues and how to deal with them.
Measurable Objective(s) with Indicator(s)	Provide health education, cancer screenings, and other educational opportunities to increase awareness about risk factors of substance use and early identification of lung cancer
Intervention Actions for Achieving Goal	 Continue to offer Tobacco Recovery Self-Management Workshop Continue to provide lung cancer screenings Collaborate with Hill Country Community Clinic for the dual diagnosis treatment program that will provide needed services to individuals who are suffering from the co-occurring conditions of mental illness and substance use disorder
Planned Collaboration	Shasta Community Health Center, Hill Country Community Clinic and other community-based organizations as appropriate

Child Abuse	
Significant Health Needs Addressed	 □ Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse (including Tobacco) ✓ Child Abuse □ Diabetes ✓ Mental Health
Program Description	Support community programs, research, and monitoring systems that prevent child abuse and neglect while ensuring that children who are victims receive treatment and care.
Community Benefit Category	A – Community Health Improvement Services
FY 2020 Report	
Program Goal / Anticipated Impact	Building community awareness and capacity to address child abuse issues including community level prevention efforts.
Measurable Objective(s) with Indicator(s)	Increased knowledge among community members regarding resources and services available.
Intervention Actions for Achieving Goal	 Collaborate with a local non-profit organization for the development of a Children's Legacy Center. Participate on the Shasta County Strengthening Families Collaborative Participate on the Public Health Institute's Northern California

	developing policies and systems' change related to domestic violence under the ACEs spectrum Implementation of North State Healthy Moms Initiative
Collaboration	Efforts in this area require collaboration with an internal multi- disciplinary team as well as collaboration with a variety of community- based non-profit organizations.
Performance / Impact	 During FY20, Community Health staff began an open dialogue with the Executive Director of the Children's Legacy Center to discuss future plans and established a working relationship between the Hospital and the Center. Community Health staff approached the Shasta County Strengthening Families Collaborative regarding participation on the collaborative. The collaborative did not express an interest in having the healthcare sector represented at this time. Community Health staff participated regularly on the Public Health Institute's Northern California Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Collaborative as a steering committee member. The common purpose of promoting healthy families and preventing ACEs and ending domestic violence in Northern California. The North State Healthy Moms Initiative was rolled out during FY20. This program provides a Perinatal Psychiatry Consultation Service for community obstetric, pediatric, primary care, and psychiatric providers in California to connect to discuss how to address the mental health concerns of pregnant or postpartum women.
Hospital's Contribution / Program Expense	\$22,000
	FY 2021 Plan
Program Goal / Anticipated Impact	Building community awareness and capacity to address child abuse issues including community level prevention efforts.
Measurable Objective(s) with Indicator(s)	Increased knowledge among community members regarding resources and services available.
Intervention Actions for Achieving Goal	 Collaborate with Children's Legacy Center to help establish an onsite forensic medical exam room at the new Children's Legacy Center's co-located facility, a volunteer advocacy program utilizing Child Life techniques, and best-practices for reducing trauma to child victims of abuse, neglect and trafficking. Partner with Pathways to Hope for Children to bring the Hope curriculum to Shasta County and assist with training Hope Ambassadors. Support the Camp Hope program which provides children who have been exposed to child abuse, domestic violence, or sexual assault with in-home case management, monthly mentoring opportunities

	 and an opportunity to attend a week long camp to connect with others Continue to participate on the Public Health Institute's Northern California Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) and assist with the development of an ACEs Summit to be held in FY21.
Planned Collaboration	Children's Legacy Center, Pathways to Hope for Children, Public Health Institute, and other community-based organizations as appropriate

Diabetes					
Significant Health Needs Addressed	 □ Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse (including Tobacco) □ Child Abuse ✓ Diabetes □ Mental Health 				
Program Description	Evidence based educational programs designed to engage community residents in self-management practices for prevention and control of diabetes				
Community Benefit Category	A – Community Health Improvement Services				
FY 2020 Report					
Program Goal / Anticipated Impact	Improve the health and quality of life for those who suffer from diabetes; enable participants to better manage their disease; and create a supportive environment for individuals to learn critical skills and enhance their knowledge on self-management.				
Measurable Objective(s) with Indicator(s)	Increased knowledge among community members regarding diabetes and services available in the community.				
Intervention Actions for Achieving Goal	 The Diabetes Empowerment Education Program (DEEP) is an evidence-based diabetes education program for people with diabetes or pre-diabetes. Live Well with Better Nutrition/Diabetes classes taught by a Registered Dietician Strategically seek partnerships with large community organizations that have the desire and capacity to offer repeat workshops. Continue to develop and nurture workshop participant referral sources 				
Collaboration	Education sessions and workshops are conducted in collaboration with a variety of community organizations and are held in locations accessible to the residents.				

Performance / Impact	 The Living Well with diabetes classes were cancelled during FY20. Community Health staff met with the Nutrition services Department to explore the feasibility of providing diabetes education to the community. The department expresses interest in having a dietician trained to teach either DEEP or the Stanford based Diabetes Self-Management Program (DSMP) curriculum to community members. Community Health staff partnered with Shasta County Public Health, KIXE, and Shasta Community Health Center to bring awareness to health professionals and community members about pre-diabetes. The group developed a pre-diabetes website named "Turn it Around Shasta" Community Health staff were poised to be recertified to teach the DEEP curriculum, however due to the Coronavirus pandemic recertification training was put on hold. 				
Hospital's Contribution / Program Expense	\$2,000				
FY 2021 Plan					
Program Goal / Anticipated Impact	Improve the health and quality of life for those who suffer from diabetes; enable participants to better manage their disease; and create a supportive environment for individuals to learn critical skills and enhance their knowledge on self-management.				
Measurable Objective(s) with Indicator(s)	Increased knowledge among community members regarding diabetes and services available in the community.				
Intervention Actions for Achieving Goal	 Community Health staff will explore training options both DEEP and DSMP to train additional staff in these curricula. Continue partnership with Shasta County Public Health, KIXE, and Shasta Community Health Center to offer pre-diabetes education events to health professionals and community members to raise awareness about pre-diabetes and available resources for management of the diagnosis. Offer at least one DEEP or DSMP workshop during FY21. 				
Planned Collaboration	Workshops will be conducted in collaboration with a variety of community organizations and are held in locations that are accessible to residents. Continued prediabetes education efforts will be in collaboration with Shasta County Public Health, KIXE, and Shasta Community Health Center				

Other Programs and Non-Quantifiable Benefits

The hospital delivers community programs, services and non-quantifiable benefits in addition to those described elsewhere in this report. Like those programs and initiatives, the ones below are a reflection of the hospital's mission and its commitment to improving community health and well-being.

- <u>Healthy Shasta Collaborative</u> Mercy Medical Center Redding is a founding member of the collaborative. Healthy Shasta Healthy Shasta is a community collaborative that promotes healthy eating and physically active lifestyles through environmental, policy, and organizational changes.
- Mobilizing for action through Planning and Partnership Mercy Medical Center Redding was a
 contributing participant to the comprehensive community health improvement planning process
 that was initiated by Shasta County Health and Human Services Agency's Public Health Branch.
 The MAPP model was selected as the strategic planning framework to guide the development of
 the community health needs assessment because of its strong emphasis on community input.
- <u>Health Professions Education</u> The hospital regularly sponsors seminars and training for medical students, physicians, nurses, and other students in the health care field. Hundreds of hours each year are committed to providing internships for nurses, paramedics, and therapists.
- Whole Person Care The Whole Person Care (WPC) program is an opportunity to increase the level and scope of services provided to homeless and at-risk Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are frequent users of emergency health care and who have complex medical, behavioral health, and/or substance abuse challenges. Shasta County Health and Human Services is administering the program and has engaged a variety of partners including Mercy Medical Center Redding to create a pilot that supports care coordination and improves wrap around services for the target population.

Community Investment Program

- <u>Hill Country Community Clinic, Inc. (HCCC)</u> In June 2019 Dignity Health approved a \$5,000,000 secured loan to Hills Country Community Clinic, Inc. for 7 years. HCCC is constructing the Center of Hope Redding health-care campus that will include medical, dental, mental health, substance abuse treatment, and recovery activities to support people with complex health and social needs projecting to serve 9,000 patients per year in Redding, California. In addition, a 5,000 square ft. supported housing development will be included for 16 transitional age youth students who are transitioning out of homelessness.
- Veterans Housing Development Corporation Shasta (VHDC) In June 2019 Dignity Health approved a \$2,000,000 secured loan to Veterans Housing Development Corporation for 2 years. VHDC is constructing an affordable 30-room apartment facility with supportive services for very low income and homeless veterans households in Shasta Lake, California. In 2017, a study was conducted to examine the number and state of homelessness in Shasta County. The result showed that of the 367 homeless individuals in the County, 56 (15%) were veterans.

Shasta Community Health Center (SCHC) - In March 2017 Dignity Health approved a 7-year \$2,500,000 participation loan with Primary Care Development Corporation to SCHC for the construction of a new and expanded health center in Anderson, California, replacing an older clinic building that is currently leased. SCHC has been providing comprehensive primary health and dental care to Shasta County residents, regardless of ability to pay, since 1988. SCHC is expanding its facility capacity to meet the existing and future demand for services.

Additionally, members of the hospital's leadership and management teams volunteer significant time and expertise as board members of nonprofit health care organizations and civic and service agencies such as Shasta Community Health Center, Empire Recovery Center, North State Cancer League, and Redding Chamber of Commerce. Annual sponsorships also support multiple programs, services and fund-raising events of organizations among them; Economic Development Council, Good News Rescue Mission, Leadership Redding, Northern Valley Catholic Social Services, One Safe Place, Redding Rancheria, Shasta County Public Health, Simpson University, and Turtle Bay Exploration Park.

Economic Value of Community Benefit

151 Mercy Medical Center Redding Complete Summary - Classified Including Non Community Benefit (Medicare) For period from 7/1/2019 through 6/30/2020

	Persons	Net Benefit	% of Expenses
Benefits for Poor		Bellette	Expenses
Financial Assistance	4,704	5,731,116	1.2%
Medicaid*	33,870	0	0.0%
Means-Tested Programs	19	101,936	0.0%
Community Services			
A - Community Health Improvement Services	1,512	154,492	0.0%
E - Cash and In-Kind Contributions**	1,453	0	0.0%
G - Community Benefit Operations	0	103,831	0.0%
Totals for Community Services	2,965	258,323	0.1%
Totals for Poor	41,558	6,091,375	1.2%
Benefits for Broader Community			
Community Services			
A - Community Health Improvement Services	196	18,338	0.0%
B - Health Professions Education	72	4,070,514	0.8%
D - Research	0	103,449	0.0%
E - Cash and In-Kind Contributions	105	173,587	0.0%
Totals for Community Services	373	4,365,888	0.9%
Totals for Broader Community	373	4,365,888	0.9%
Totals - Community Benefit	41,931	10,457,263	2.1%
Medicare	48,201	59,486,062	12.1%
Totals with Medicare	90,132	69,943,325	14.2%

^{*}Medicaid net benefit is \$0 due to Medicaid Provider Fee revenue received in FY20. Without the Provider Fee, Medicaid net benefit for services delivered would have been \$27,696,582

The economic value of all community benefit is reported at cost. Patient financial assistance (charity care) reported here is as reported to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development in Hospital Annual Financial Disclosure Reports, as required by Assembly Bill 204. The community benefit of Medicaid and other means-tested programs is calculated using a cost-to-charge ratio to determine costs, minus revenue received for providing that care. Other net community benefit expenses are calculated using a cost accounting methodology. Restricted offsetting revenue for a given activity, where applicable, is subtracted from total expenses to determine net benefit in dollars.

^{**}Cash and in-kind contributions reported at \$0 net benefit due to return of a large donation in the fiscal year.

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Financial Assistance Policy Summary

Summary Of Financial Assistance Programs

Dignity Health's Financial Assistance Policy describes the financial assistance programs available to uninsured or underinsured patients who meet certain income requirements to help pay for medically necessary hospital services provided by Dignity Health. An uninsured patient is someone who does not have health coverage, whether through private insurance or a government program, and who does not have the right to be reimbursed by anyone else for their hospital bills. An underinsured patient is someone who has health coverage, but who has large hospital bills that are not fully covered by their insurance.

Free Care

 If you are uninsured or underinsured with a family income of up to 250% of the Federal Poverty Level you may be eligible to receive hospital services at no cost to you.

Discounted Care

- If you are uninsured or underinsured with an annual family income between 250-350% of the Federal Poverty level, you may be eligible to have your bills for hospital services reduced to the highest amount reasonably expected to be paid by a government payer, which is usually the amount that Medicare would pay for the same services.
- If you are uninsured or underinsured with an annual family income between 350-500% of the Federal Poverty level you may be eligible to have your bills for hospital services reduced to the Amount Generally Billed, which is an amount set under federal law that reflects the amount that would have been paid to the hospital by private health insurers and Medicare (including co-pays and deductibles) for the medically necessary services.

If you are eligible for financial assistance under our Financial Assistance Policy you will not be required to pay more than the Amount Generally Billed described above. If you qualify, you may also request an interest-free extended payment plan.

You will never be required to make advance payment or other payment arrangements in order to receive emergency services.

Free copies of the hospital's Financial Assistance Policy and financial assistance application forms are available online at your hospital's website listed below or at the hospital Admitting areas located near the main entrance. (Follow the signs to "Admitting" or "Registration"). Copies of these documents can also be mailed to you upon request if you call Patient Financial Services at the telephone number listed below for your hospital.

Traducción disponible: You may also obtain Spanish and other language translations of these documents at your hospital's website, in your hospital's Admitting area, or by calling your hospital's telephone number.

Dignity Health Financial Counselors are available to answer questions, provide information about our Financial Assistance Policy and help guide you through the financial assistance application process. Our staff is located in the hospital's Admitting area and can be reached at the telephone number listed below for your hospital.

Mercy Medical Center - Mt. Shasta 914 Pine St, Mt. Shasta, CA 96067 | Financial Counseling 530-926-7245 Patient Financial Services 888-488-7667 | www.dignityhealth.org/mercy-mtshasta/paymenthelp

Mercy Medical Center - Redding 2175 Rosaline Ave, Redding, CA 96001 | Financial Counseling 530-225-6312 | Patient Financial Services 888-488-7667 | www.dignityhealth.org/mercy-redding/paymenthelp

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