



Celebrating Collaboration

Through the 2018-2023 Community Health Improvement Plan

Over the past five years, the **Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)** has made significant progress towards a healthier Wyandotte. The 2018-2023 CHIP consisted of a **Steering Committee** and **four Action Teams**, made up of various community organizations, that have worked tirelessly to bridge new collaborations, secure new funding, and create programs and policies to improve quality education, access to healthcare, safe housing and prevent violence.



Jobs & Education

The Jobs & Education Action Team, led by the **Wyandotte Economic Development Council**, has achieved considerable success in creating new childcare spaces, offering tuition scholarships, launching Business ESL programs, and supporting individuals with criminal backgrounds in finding employment. The team has also focused on improving workforce transportation, post-secondary education, and GED outreach, making education and employment opportunities more accessible.

Key Highlights

- Over **431 new childcare spaces** were created for children aged 1-5 through the Family Conservancy's Start Young program
- Approximately **184 children** received tuition scholarships for quality childcare
- Three **Business ESL** programs were launched, supporting about **72 employees**
- Showcased local employers and career opportunities in healthcare and manufacturing to **164 area high school students**



Health Care Access

The Health Care Access Action Team, led by **Vibrant Health**, has played a crucial role in expanding healthcare access in Wyandotte County. Their efforts have resulted in hundreds of new Medicaid, Marketplace, and SNAP applications and the launch of the WYCO Health Link program, providing non-emergency medical transportation to safety net clinic appointments for Wyandotte County community members.

Key Highlights

- Over **644 new applications** for Medicaid, Marketplace, and SNAP
- WYCO Health Link has provided over **750 rides** to medical appointments across nine participating clinics and one pharmacy
- Led a health literacy campaign primary care campaign reaching **80,000 households and 160,000 digital impressions**
- Organized community members around **Medicaid Expansion**, submitting over 160 advocacy letters



Safe & Affordable Housing

The Safe & Affordable Housing Action Team, **led by Livable Neighborhoods (2018-2021) and Crosslines (2021-2023)** has worked hard to reduce housing barriers, hosting a series of housing summits, creating resources on tenant's rights, and making progress toward Community Land Trusts. The team has also initiated a draft Homeless Emergency Response Plan, addressing homelessness and housing insecurity.

Key Highlights

- The first **Community Land Trust (CLT)** home was completed and bought by a Wyandotte County family
- Developed and established a series of training sessions on the **Tenant's Rights and Responsibilities Toolkit**, reaching **over 75 community resource navigators**
- Established a **Homeless Emergency Response Plan** tailored to Wyandotte County
- Hosted a series of **WYCO Housing Summits**, convening housing partners and advocates to discuss important topics



Violence Prevention

The Violence Prevention Action Team, **led by MOCSA**, has focused on reducing community violence through initiatives such as Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) trainings, the REVIVE program for youth survivors of violence, and the Youth Fatality Review Board. These efforts aim to create safer communities, reduce violence, and support those affected by violence.

Key Highlights

- Over **60 people** were trained in CPTED principles
- The REVIVE program launched and provided **over 43 referrals to youth**
- ThrYve initiated a **youth court** pilot with a focus on restorative justice practices
- The **Wyandotte County Youth Fatality Review Board** was established, and is the first board of its kind in the State of Kansas
- Completed many improvements to WYCO **neighborhood parks**, including light installments at Jersey Creek trail

Thank You

We extend a heartfelt **thank you** to our dedicated community partners, stakeholders, and generous funders who have been the driving force behind the progress achieved through the 2018-2023 CHIP.