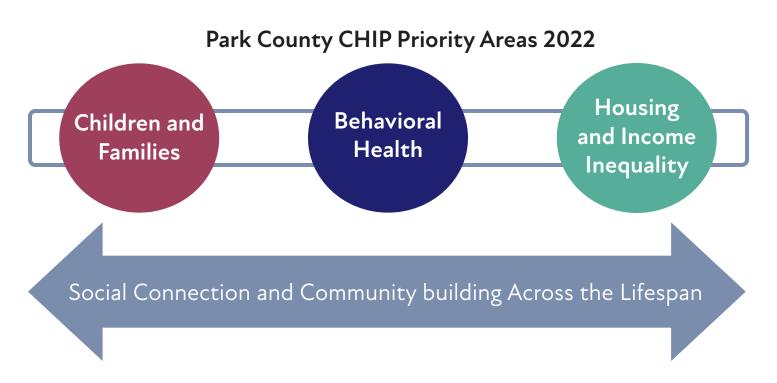


## Park County

# **Community Health Improvement Plan 2022**

In the summer of 2022, the Park County Health Department (PCHD) convened a group of stakeholders to create our community's second Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). The plan outlines strategies to improve the health of all county residents over the next three years.

At the first CHIP stakeholder meeting, participants selected three priority areas based on the results of the Community Health Assessment (CHA): 1) Children and Families 2) Behavioral Health and 3) Housing and Income Inequality. CHIP participants also selected a number cross cutting issues that impact all priority areas. These include "Social Connection" and "Community Building Across the Lifespan". Within each priority area, the plan outlines targeted strategies designed to improve the health of all county residents, with a focus on increasing social connection and a sense of community for all age groups.



The CHIP partners believe that implementing these strategies will help us achieve our vision for a healthy community.

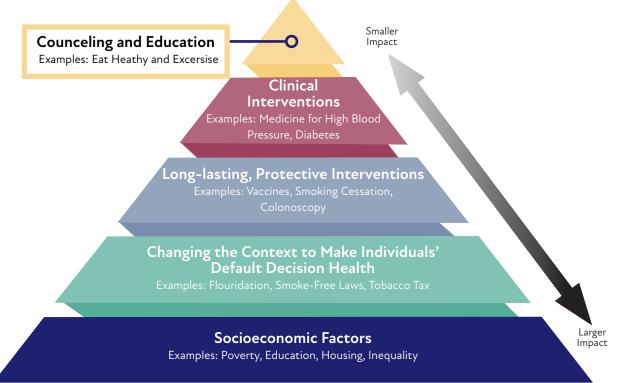
# The CHIP Process

The CHIP process was led by the Park County Health Department in the summer of 2022. A variety of community health partners including county officials, school staff, librarians, medical providers and non-profit staff were invited to attend. The first meeting was held virtually on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The purpose of the first CHIP meeting was "To provide an overview of the purpose of the Community Health Improvement Plan, review community health needs assessment data and begin to develop priorities for action."

The second meeting was held in person on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The purpose of the second CHIP meeting was "To allow group members to explore the current services and gaps in the core areas of work selected for the CHIP and outline priority strategies." In all, 26 individuals from 18 organizations participated in the process. A full list of participants is included on the following page.

### The Health Impact Pyramid

As a framework for the plan, CHIP partners were introduced to the Health Impact Pyramid. Created by the Centers for Disease Control director Dr. Thomas Frieden, the Health Impact Pyramid is a five-tier pyramid that describes the impact of different types of public health interventions and provides a framework to improve health. At the base of the pyramid, indicating interventions with the greatest potential impact, are efforts to address social determinants of health. In ascending order are interventions that change the context to make individuals' default decisions healthy, clinical interventions that require limited contact but confer long-term protection, ongoing direct clinical care, and health education and counseling. Interventions focusing on lower levels of the pyramid tend to be more effective because they reach broader segments of society and require less individual effort. Combining interventions at each of the levels can achieve the maximum possible sustained public health benefit.

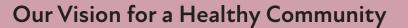


# Participants

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Jude Waerig	Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Livingston Healthcare
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Lisa Harreld	Park County Human Resources, Senior Center Board
Lisa Sukut	Livingston Park County Public Library-Youth Services Librarian
Michele Boyd	Livingston Park County Library, Youth services librarian.
Mollie Waldum	Superintendent, Park County Rural Schools
Sarah Stands	Community Resilience PCEC
Shannan Piccolo	Park County Health Department Director
Steve Caldwell	Park County Commissioner
Tawnya Rupe	Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation



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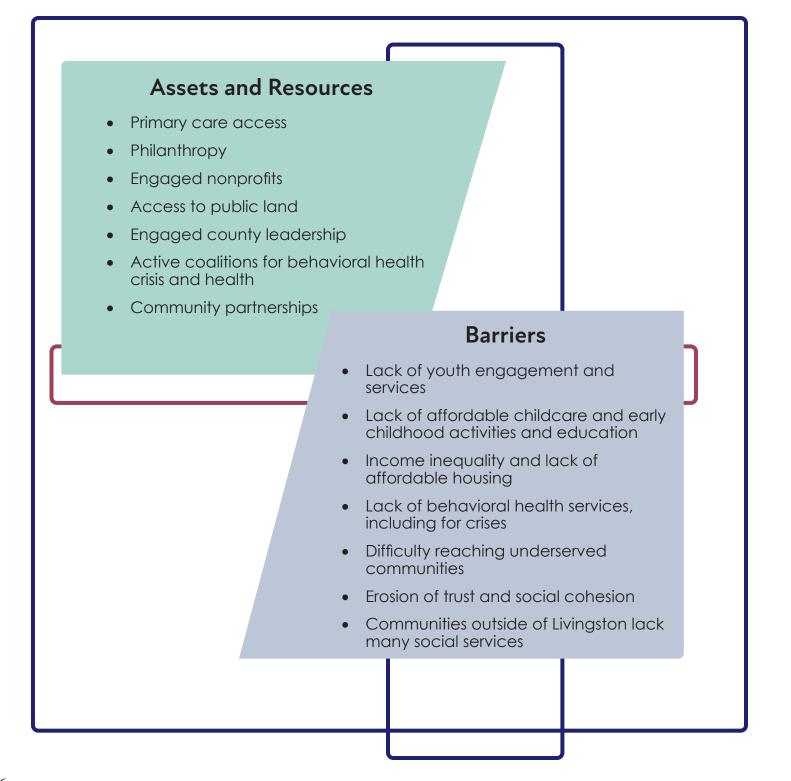
We envision a resilient community in which everyone belongs and can access all they need to thrive.



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# Health Assets, Resources and Barriers in Park County

During the first CHIP meeting, stakeholders identified the following health assets, resources and barriers in Park County

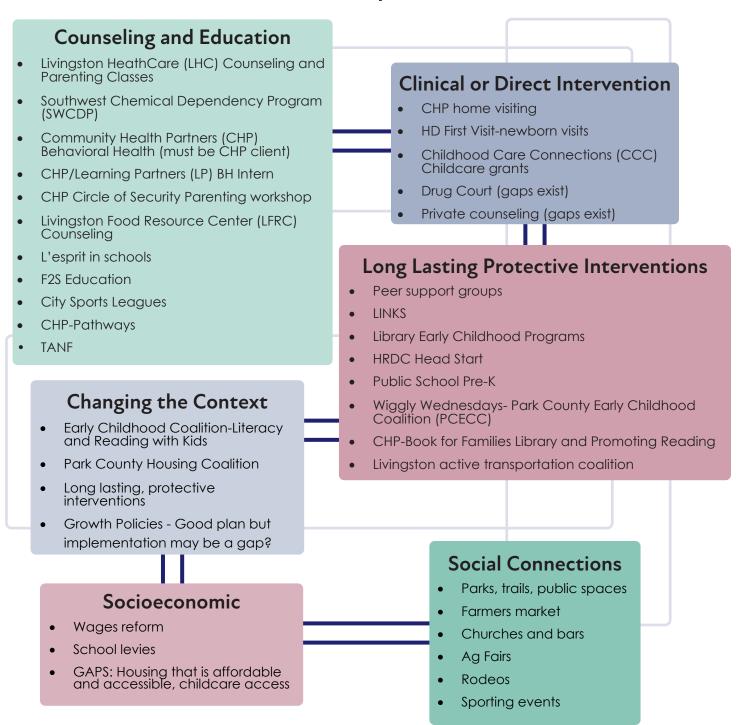


# Priority Area | Children and Families

### Assets and Resources for Children and Families in Park County

Using the Health Impact Pyramid, participants were asked to create a map of the assets and resources that currently exist to support the health of children and families in our county.

### **Children and Families Resources Map**



After the assessment of current assets and resources, participants were asked to identify any gaps in the current system and consider how to improve our response to supporting the health of children and families in our community. Based on this in-depth assessment, which included a review of population level data, group members selected the following goals, strategies and leads for improving health outcomes for children and families in Park County.

# **Overarching goal**

A community that supports equity, inclusiveness, diversity and recognizes the strength/value of each member (young, old, abled/disabled etc.), supported by effective programs and public spaces

## **Priority populations**

- Eliminate financial and social barriers for all families
- Provide additional supports to underserved populations such as young families, low income and low education families, single parents and families with disabled members or high caregiver burdens

# Children and Families Priority Area #1

Universal quality (affordable, accessible, inclusive) child care and education

Strategy	Leads	Timeline
<ul> <li>Teacher support and education (K-12 and Early Childhood)</li> <li>Increase salaries</li> <li>Advocacy, regulation and taxes</li> <li>Incentives to work in the industry (childcare for caretakers)</li> <li>More autonomy</li> <li>Affordable staff housing, possible stipends</li> <li>Improved relationships between employers and employees</li> <li>Improve health and wellness opportunities for staff</li> <li>Simplify and standardize social/ emotional learning curriculum across grades and school districts countywide</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PCECC</li> <li>Livingston Education Foundation</li> <li>NY Education Foundation</li> <li>Nonprofits</li> <li>Civic Groups, School districts administration</li> <li>Housing Coalition</li> <li>PCHD (Park County Health Department)</li> </ul>	Long term Housing ASAP

# Children and Families Priority Area #2

Increase family resources and engagement, particularly for underserved

Strategy	Leads	Timeline	
<ul> <li>Community education to encourage use of social safety net programs</li> <li>Increase subsidized childcare for working families</li> <li>Fund LINKS and other after school programs to allow higher participation at low cost</li> <li>Expand Headstart county wide, fund to allow families above poverty level to participate where possible</li> <li>Fund to expand Wiggly Wednesdays countywide</li> <li>Fund expansion of Library toddler/ youth programs countywide</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PCHD</li> <li>Non-profits, Community Foundations, LINKS, Headstart,</li> <li>PCECC</li> <li>Library</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Increase participation in parenting and wellness events</li> <li>Have childcare and meals available so parents can attend</li> <li>More frequent events to targeted audiences</li> <li>Simplify and standardize programming across grades school districts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CHP</li> <li>PCECC</li> <li>PCHD</li> <li>School districts administration</li> </ul>	Ongoing	
Implement trails, active transportation plans, parks plans countywide, improve safe routes to schools and work as well as leisure	Local government and advocacy- Active transportation coalition	Ongoing	
Adult/child mentorship	• Big Brothers, Big Sisters	Ongoing	
Create a family resources center to unite across income classes	PCECC     PCHD		

# Priority Area | Behavioral Health

### Behavioral health assets and resources in Park County

As part of the CHIP process, participants were asked to create a map of the assets and resources that currently exist to address behavioral health in our county utilizing the Health Impact Pyramid.

#### **Counseling and Education**

- Narcan training, outreach
- L'esprit
- SWCDP
- CHP
- LHC
- LiveWell49 (LW49)
- YGBR
- Youth Dynamics
- Rural Behavioral Health Institute (RBHI)
- Rise-SOS
- MSU Extension-YAM-9th grad
- LFRC-counseling
- ASPEN

#### Changing the Context

- Harm reduction-Narcan
- PCRS 360
- Youth court services
- Into the wilderness therapy
- Human Trafficking Taskforce
- Head Start
- LINKS
- CIT

#### Socioeconomic

- HRDC Programs
- Housing Coalition

#### **Clinical or Direct Intervention**

- RBHI-screening and refer to treatment
- LHC-Integrated Behavioral Health
- CHP-Integrated Behavioral Health
- L'esprit
- Mobile crisis response
- Warming Center in Livingston
- ACES training in CHP/ Community Health Center (CHC)
- Child Protection Service (CPS)
- Meals on Wheels

#### Long Lasting Protective Interventions

- Jed Foundation
- Learning partners
- Park County Early Childhood Coalition (PCECC)
- (Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBS)
- Power up-speak out!
- LiveWell49
- Social-emotional learning curriculum simplified and standardized across grades and school districts
- Missing: Peer to peer health promotion/prevention youth/adult (ex. Hope Squad)
- Missing: substance abuse prevention and widespread treatment options
- School Districts
- Headstart
- Missing: violence prevention

#### Social Connections

- Phoenix
- Movement Collaborative
- Family Nights-L'esprit
- Rec department
  - Summer lunch (F25, LSD)
- Senior Center
- Loaves and fishes
- 4H, FFA
- Active transportation-parks
   and trails

After the assessment of current assets and resources, participants were asked to identify any gaps in the current system and consider how to improve our prevention, promotion and treatment of behavioral health concerns in our community. Based on this in-depth assessment, which included a review of the behavioral health population level data, group members selected the following goals and strategies for improving behavioral health outcomes in Park County.

# **Overarching goal**

Park County as a great place to raise a family and grow old, that provides the full continuum of behavioral health prevention, treatment and recovery support to all.

### **Priority populations**

- o Low socioeconomic status
- o < 18 years old
- o Seniors

### Behavioral Health Priority Area #1

Collaboration and community connections

Strategy		Leads	Timeline	
<ul> <li>Encourage more local, low cost, consistent activities for all ages with a relationship building agenda (e.g. National Night Out)</li> </ul>		• PCHD, LW49	1 Year	
Create neighborhood connections and build community leaders in neighborhoods		• PCHD, LW49	1 Year	
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# Behavioral Health Priority Area #2

Access to BH services across the continuum of care

Strategy	Leads	Timeline
Strengthen and resource crisis     response coalitions	Park County Crisis     Coalition	Current
Assist LAC Drop-in Center project	Local Advisory     Council (LAC)	Current
<ul> <li>Social-emotional learning curriculum simplified and standardized across grades and school districts, addition of peer to peer health promotion/ prevention</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>JED, PCHD, LW49, PC360, school district administration, private</li> </ul>	Current
<ul> <li>Support sober living (non-alcohol, SUD based)</li> </ul>	Phoenix, SWCD,     L'esprit	Current

# Priority Area Housing and Income Inequality

### Housing and Income Inequality assets and resources in Park County

As part of the CHIP process, participants were asked to create a map of the assets and resources that currently exist to address housing affordability and combat income inequality using the Health Impact Pyramid.

Counseling and Education         Existing resources         • HRDC-mortgage management, budgeting, financial management         Missing resources         • Job service         • Quality of education	Clinical or Direct InterventionExisting resources• HRDC-rental assistance• Sober living, short term• Warming center-October-March• Counterpoint- Group Homes• SNAP-state and federal benefits• Free and Reduced Lunch Program• Loaves and fishes• Gardiner food bank, LFRC
Changing the Context	Meals on Wheels
<ul> <li>Existing resources</li> <li>Governor's Task Force</li> <li>Missing Resources</li> <li>Land trust could be an opportunity</li> <li>Lack of veteran's housing</li> <li>Lack of Habitat for Humanity</li> <li>Mental health Housing</li> <li>Housing for individuals with a felony record</li> <li>Vacation rentals reduce available long term rentals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Long Lasting Protective Interventions</li> <li>Existing resources</li> <li>HRDC-Sherwood, Gardiner project, little houses, old hospital, Miles Building</li> <li>NYEF-Teacher housing in Gardiner</li> <li>View Vista-CDBG</li> <li>Park County Housing Coalition</li> <li>Senior Center apartments</li> </ul>
Socioeconomic	
<ul> <li>HRDC Programs</li> <li>Housing Coalition</li> <li>Missing reso</li> <li>Wag</li> <li>Fede</li> <li>Seas</li> <li>Supp</li> <li>Gov</li> <li>Rect</li> </ul>	Social Connections

Broadband gap

After the assessment of current assets and resources, participants were asked to identify any gaps in the current system and consider how to improve our system for helping Park County residents find and maintain affordable housing and afford to meet their basic needs. Based on this in-depth assessment, which included a review of the available population level data, group members selected the following goals and strategies for improving housing access and income inequality outcomes in Park County.

# **Overarching goal**

All Park County residents have the opportunity to have safe and stable housing along with the ability to work and earn a living wage.

## **Priority populations**

• Low to medium income

# Housing and Income Inequality Priority Area #1

Increase Affordable Housing

Strategy		Leads	Timeline	
Land trust)		<ul> <li>HRDC, Housing Coalition</li> </ul>	Not started	
<ul> <li>Regulations-state and local level</li> <li>Vacation rentals</li> <li>Zoning</li> <li>Development of affordable housing requirements</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Local Governments, developers, realtors</li> </ul>	Not started	
Continue to leverage community resources-HRDC, Habitat for Humanity and other nonprofits			Started	
Data-collection to define     problem and possible solutions		<ul> <li>Park County Housing Coalition</li> </ul>	Started	
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# Housing and Income Inequality Priority Area #2

Economic Inequality

Strategy	Leads	Timeline
<ul> <li>Bring back public services</li> <li>Job service</li> <li>Office of public assistance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Local government, local representatives, state</li> </ul>	Not started
<ul> <li>Create emergency fund for individuals, specifically emergency transportation, temporary housing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>County government and community leaders</li> </ul>	Not started
<ul> <li>Philanthropist summit. Share CHIP information, community demographics with intention to align priorities for funding and countywide program development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>County government and community foundations and leaders</li> <li>PCHD</li> </ul>	Not started