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I. INTRODUCTION

Collaborative Origin

In 2010, local health care and public health leaders in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington began to discuss the upcoming need for several community health assessments and health improvement plans within the region in response to the Affordable Care Act and Public Health Accreditation¹. They recognized these requirements as an opportunity to align the efforts of hospitals, public health and the residents of the communities they serve in an effort to develop an accessible, real-time assessment of community health across the four-county region. By working together, they would eliminate duplicative efforts, facilitate the prioritization of community health needs, enable joint efforts for implementing and tracking improvement activities, and improve the health of the community.

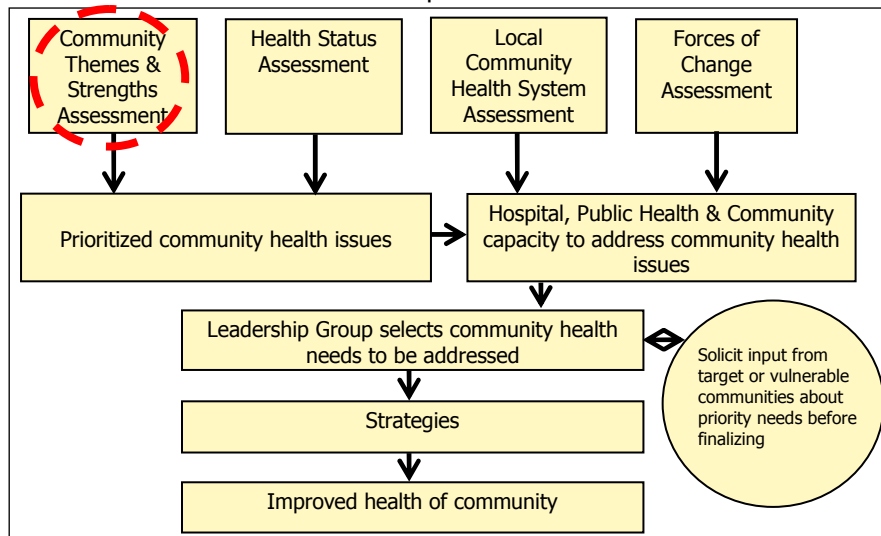
Members

With start-up assistance from the Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, the Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative (Collaborative) was developed. It is a large public-private collaborative comprised of 14 hospitals and four local public health departments in the four-county region. Members include: Adventist Medical Center, Clackamas County Health Department, Clark County Public Health Department, Kaiser Permanente, Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center, Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center, Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center, Legacy Salmon Creek, Multnomah County Health Department, Oregon Health & Science University, PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center, Providence Milwaukie, Providence Portland, Providence St. Vincent, Providence Willamette Falls, Tuality Healthcare and Washington County Health Department.

Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative Assessment Model

The Collaborative used a modified version of the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) assessment model². See Figure 1. The MAPP model uses health data and community input to identify the most important community health issues. This assessment will be an ongoing, real-time assessment with formal community-wide findings every three years. Community input on strategies and evaluation throughout the three-year cycle will be crucial to the effort's effectiveness. This report describes the first assessment component: The Community Themes and Strengths Assessment.

Figure 1.
Schematic of the Modified MAPP Model



¹ The federal Affordable Care Act, Section 501(r)(3) requires tax exempt hospital facilities to conduct a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) at minimum once every three years, effective for tax years beginning after March 2012. Through the Public Health Accreditation Board, public health departments now have the opportunity to achieve accreditation by meeting a set of standards. As part of the standards, they must complete a Community Health Assessment (CHA) and a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).

² MAPP is a model developed by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO)

Community Engagement Process

As part of the modified model adopted by the Collaborative, community input was collected during three distinct phases between August 2012 and April 2013.

The Community Themes and Strengths Assessment

The first phase of community engagement involved reviewing 62 community engagement projects that had been conducted in the four-county region since 2009. A list of these projects is presented in Appendix I. Findings from the 62 projects were analyzed for themes about how community members described the most important health issues affecting themselves, their families, and the community.

The Local Community Health System & Forces of Change Assessment

This second phase of community engagement involved 126 stakeholders participating in interviews or responding to surveys. This assessment was designed to solicit stakeholder feedback on the health issues resulting from the previous assessment work and epidemiological data. Stakeholders were asked to add and prioritize health issues they thought should be on the list, as well as describe their organizations' capacity to address these health issues. (For more information, see *Local Community Health System and Forces of Change Assessment: Stakeholders' Priority Health Issues and Capacity to Address Them*. July 2013.)

Community Listening Sessions

The third phase of community engagement was completed in May 2013. Fourteen community listening sessions were held with uninsured and/or low-income community members living in Clackamas, Clark, Multnomah and Washington counties. In all, 202 individuals participated. During these meetings, community members were asked whether they agreed with the issues that were identified through the previously conducted community engagement/assessment work, epidemiological data, and the stakeholder interviews and surveys. Participants were also asked to add to the list the health issues that they thought were missing. Next, participants voted for what they thought were the most important issues from the expanded list. (For more information, see *Community Listening Sessions: Important Health Issues and Ideas for Solutions*. July 2013.)

Because members of the Collaborative understand the importance of working with the community, in years two and three of the project there will be more opportunities to engage multiple constituents in the process. At the time of this writing, these opportunities have yet to be developed; this process will start during the summer of 2013.

II. COMMUNITY THEMES AND STRENGTHS ASSESSMENT

Purpose

The broad goal of the Community Themes and Strengths Assessment was to identify health-related themes from recent projects engaging community members of Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington.

Conducting the Community Themes and Strengths Assessment served three purposes: 1) to increase the number of community members whose voices could be included; 2) to prevent duplication of efforts and respect the contributions of community members who have already shared their opinions in recent projects; and 3) to utilize the extensive and diverse community engagement work that local community-based organizations, advocacy organizations, and government programs have already done.

Community Themes and Strengths Assessment findings combined with the findings of the other three MAPP assessment components and the community listening sessions provided the Collaborative's Leadership Group with information necessary to select the community health needs and improvement strategies within the four-county region.

Methodology

The Community Themes and Strengths Assessment, the first of four major components of MAPP, was an analysis of findings from recently conducted health-related community assessment projects conducted in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington State.

Between September and December 2012, the Collaborative identified community assessment projects conducted within the four-county region. Four criteria were used for inclusion in the “inventory” of assessment projects that would be used to identify community-identified themes. The assessment project needed to: 1) be designed to explore health-related needs, 2) have been completed within the last three years (since 2009), 3) have a geographic scope within the four-county region, and 4) engage individual community members in some capacity, as opposed to only agency-level stakeholders.

Community assessment projects were identified by: 1) contacting individual community leaders, community-based organizations, public agencies and Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative leadership members to solicit their recommendations for projects to include in the inventory; 2) conducting numerous Internet searches, which consisted of using a Google search engine and by examining hundreds of organizational websites across the four-county region and; 3) including recent community assessment projects that had already been identified through the Multnomah County Health Department’s 2011 Community Health Assessment. At the end of this report, tables in four appendices describe the assessment projects included in this inventory; the participants for each project (as described by each project’s authors); and the health-related themes found from each project. In all, 62 community assessment projects’ findings were included in the “inventory” of assessments.

This inventory includes large-scale surveys, PhotoVoice³ projects, community listening sessions, public assemblies, focus groups, and stakeholder interviews. Not only did their designs vary, the number and included participants were quite different. For example, one project engaged a small group of Somali elders while another was a massive multi-year process engaging thousands of members of the general public. Collectively, these projects’ findings paint a picture of what people living in the four-county area say are the most pressing health issues they and their families face. Although there is not a scientific way to analyze these findings as a whole, it was possible to identify frequently-occurring themes across these projects.

Findings

The most frequently-arising themes in the four-county region were identified through a content analysis of the findings from the assessment projects. Below, each theme is defined using descriptors directly from the individual projects. Issues are categorized either as “important” or as a “problem.” In Table 1, these themes are listed in the order of how frequently they arose in the four-county region, as well as the order they occurred in each county.

Social environment

- Issues identified as important: sense of community, social support for the community, families, and parents, equity, social inclusion, opportunities/venues to socialize, spirituality
- Issue identified as problems: racism

Equal economic opportunities

- Issues identified as important: jobs, prosperous households, economic self sufficiency, equal access to living-wage jobs, workforce development, economic recovery
- Issue identified as problems: unemployment

³ PhotoVoice is a process by which people can identify, represent, and enhance their community by taking photos to record and reflect their community's strengths and concerns.

Access to affordable health care

- Issues identified as important: access for low income, uninsured, underinsured, access to primary care, medications, health care coordination
- Issue identified as problems: emergency room utilization

Education

- Issues identified as important: culturally relevant curriculum, student empowerment, education quality, opportunity to go to college, long term funding/investment in education
- Issues identified as problems: low graduation rates, college too expensive

Access to healthy food

- Issues identified as important: Electronic Benefit Transfer-Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (EBT-SNAP) benefits, nutrition, fruit and vegetable consumption, community gardens, farmers' markets, healthy food retail, farm-to-school
- Issue identified as problems: hunger

Housing

- Issues identified as important: affordability, availability, stability, tenant education, healthy housing, housing integrated with social services/transportation
- Issues identified as problems: evictions, homelessness

Mental health & substance abuse treatment

- Issues identified as important: access for culturally-specific groups and LGBTQI community, counseling, quality and availability of inpatient treatment, prevention
- Issues identified as problems: depression, suicide, drug/alcohol abuse

Poverty

- Issues identified as important: basic needs, family financial status
- Issues identified as problems: cost of living, daily struggles to make ends meet

Early childhood/youth

- Issues identified as important: child welfare, youth development and empowerment, opportunities for youth, parental support of student education experience
- Issues identified as problems: lack of support for youth of all ages, child protection services

Chronic disease

- Issues identified as important: chronic disease support, management and prevention

- Issues identified as problems: obesity, smoking

Safe neighborhood

- Issues identified as important: public safety, traffic/pedestrian safety
- Issues identified as problems: crime, violence, police relations

Transportation options

- Issues identified as important: equitable access to public transportation, transportation infrastructure investments
- Issues identified as problems: bus is too expensive, limited routes for shift workers

Table 1. Top Health-Related Themes by Region and County*

Region 62 Assessment Projects	Clackamas (OR) 29 Assessment Projects	Clark (WA) 12 Assessment Projects	Multnomah (OR) 42 Assessment Projects	Washington (OR) 28 Assessment Projects
• Social environment	• Access to affordable health care	• Social environment	• Social environment	• Social environment
• Equal economic opportunities	• Social environment	• Access to affordable health care	• Equal economic opportunities	• Access to affordable health care
• Access to affordable health care	• Housing	• Equal economic opportunities	• Access to healthy food	• Equal economic opportunities
• Education	• Equal economic opportunities	• Housing	• Education	• Mental health & substance abuse
• Access to healthy food	• Mental health & substance abuse	• Access to healthy food	• Housing	• Education
• Housing	• Access to healthy food	• Education	• Access to affordable health care	• Housing
• Mental health and substance abuse	• Education	• Chronic disease	• Mental health & substance abuse	• Chronic disease
• Poverty	• Civic engagement	• Mental health & substance abuse	• Chronic disease	• Safe neighborhood
• Early childhood/youth	• Chronic disease	• Safe neighborhood	• Poverty	• Early childhood/youth
• Chronic disease	• Culturally competent care	• Poverty	• Early childhood/youth	• Access to healthy food
• Safe neighborhood	• Transportation options		• Civic engagement	
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*Ranked by how many assessments the theme was identified in.

The information learned through this compilation of assessment projects showed that when the participants were asked questions about health, community and well-being, they were likely to describe basic needs and social determinants of health⁴ rather than specific health conditions. Most of the social determinants prioritized in Table 1 require more than a local response. For instance, “equal economic opportunities/employment” is directly affected by the national economy. This does not mean that the issue isn’t critical, only that it needs to be brought to the attention of those with the reach and authority to have an impact. Local responses could address components of the issue. For example, the Collaborative could choose to support targeted work force development programs that help chronically under-employed populations become gainfully employed, particularly for those populations with significant health disparities.

The health issues (other than the social determinants of health) identified were chronic disease, mental health, and substance abuse. These issues were also prioritized through epidemiological study and organizational stakeholder interviews. (For more information, see *Health Status Assessment: Quantitative Data Analysis Methods and Findings*. May 2013, and *Local Community Health System and Forces of Change Assessments: Stakeholders’ Priority Health Issues and Capacity to Address Them*. June 2013.)

Limitations

It is likely that there are important community assessment projects not represented in this inventory; ones that have been completed after the analysis, ones we did not know about or could not find through our search methods, and ones that are being conducted currently. Our intent is to be looking for this community work on an ongoing basis so that this regional assessment can continue to be informed by the health-related work conducted by other disciplines, organizations, and community groups within the region.

The intent is not to rely solely on this first inventory of assessments to represent the community’s voices. It is one step in community engagement. As discussed earlier in this report, interviews and surveys with 126 agency stakeholders and listening sessions with 202 community members are also being done. Additionally, community engagement will continue throughout the three-year cycle to inform the development, implementation and evaluation of strategies, as well as to help the Collaborative identify additional community health needs to be considered for the next cycle (2016).

Resources

The following resources are referenced above and may be useful for background information:

- New Requirements for Charitable 501(c) (3) Hospitals under the Affordable Care. Internal Revenue Service. Available from: [http://www.irs.gov/Charities-&-Non-Profits/Charitable-Organizations/New-Requirements-for-501\(c\)\(3\)-Hospitals-Under-the-Affordable-Care-Act](http://www.irs.gov/Charities-&-Non-Profits/Charitable-Organizations/New-Requirements-for-501(c)(3)-Hospitals-Under-the-Affordable-Care-Act)
- Public Health Accreditation. Public Health Accreditation Board. Available from: <http://www.phaboard.org/>
- Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP). National Association of County and City Health Officials. Available from: <http://www.naccho.org/topics/infrastructure/mapp/>
- Healthy Columbia Willamette regional website. Healthy Columbia Willamette Collaborative. Available from: <http://www.healthycolumbiawillamette.org>.

⁴As defined by the World Health Organization, the social determinants of health are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age, including the health system. These circumstances are shaped by the distribution of money, power and resources at global, national and local levels.

APPENDIX I: Community Engagement/Assessment Projects Included in Inventory

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
<p>ACHIEVE (Action Communities for Health, Innovation and Environmental Change) Community</p> <p><i>Multnomah County Health Department</i></p> <p>2009</p>	<p>The overall focus was to increase equitable and culturally relevant policies to promote tobacco-free and smoke-free environments, opportunities for physical activity, and healthy food. The assessment provided an inclusive, empowering political process through group discussions, walking tours, key leader interviews, and organization tours. The project engaged the general population of Multnomah County with specialized efforts in faith based, African-American, low-income communities.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>African American Health Coalition CPPW Final Report</p> <p>2012</p>	<p>The coalition conducted interviews and surveys of African-American members involved in the African American Health Coalition exercise program in North and Northeast Portland. Topics included the retail and food environment, community gardens, and park/recreation facility use and barriers.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>The Asian and Pacific Islander Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile</p> <p><i>Coalition of Communities of Color</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>This report documents the experiences of the Asian and Pacific Islander community in Multnomah County using data from the Census and the American Community Survey and leverages a range of input given by communities of color. The report also includes recommendations and calls for action.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update</p> <p><i>City of Beaverton</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>The City of Beaverton surveyed Beaverton residents to share success stories, identify challenges, and let them know how the priorities identified in the Community Vision Action Plan were progressing.</p>	<p>Washington (OR)</p>
<p>Cascade AIDS Project Strategic Planning 2009-2014 Data Collection Report</p> <p>2009</p>	<p>To receive insight on what areas of improvement were desired within the service scope of Cascade AIDS Project, staff members facilitated focus groups and conducted a survey with the following populations: women living with HIV, Latino men who have sex with men, African-American men who have sex with men, White men who have sex with men, youth, communities of color leadership (African-American and Latino), Clark County residents, and people living with HIV (mixed population).</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)</p>
<p>Causa/Oregon Latino Health Coalition and NW Health Foundation Latino Health Assembly</p> <p>2010</p>	<p>This assembly brought together Latino community members, as well as policy makers, health care advocates, and legislators to discuss expanded access for uninsured Latino children to the Healthy Kids Program and increasing state funding for safety net and community clinics.</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)</p>

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<p>Clackamas County Children's Commission Community Assessment</p> <p><i>Clackamas County Children's Commission Head Start, Clackamas Education Service District</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>This assessment analyzed service area data to promote program development per Head Start federal requirements. A survey asked questions to Head Start families about their perceptions of their community, social connectedness, health system, and whether they think their family is healthy.</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR)</p>
<p>Clackamas County Community Health Improvement Plan</p> <p><i>Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>This report was intended to both guide local efforts over the next five years to improve overall health of the Clackamas County population, and to meet the requirements of the Public Health Accreditation Board. Community meetings were held in which the general population was invited to identify priorities related to health, education and other topics.</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR)</p>
<p>Communities of Color in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile</p> <p><i>Coalition of Communities of Color</i></p> <p>2010</p>	<p>This report documents the experiences of communities of color in Multnomah County using data from the Census and the American Community Survey and leverages a range of input given by communities of color. The report also includes recommendations and calls for action.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Community Health Partnership: SNAP Roundtable</p> <p><i>Oregon Public Health Institute</i></p> <p>2009</p>	<p>The institute conducted roundtable discussions with stakeholders and community members about nutrition and health promotion within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Participants shared expertise and information, and contributed to ongoing conversations about how best to promote health and good nutrition for low-income Oregonians.</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)</p>
<p>Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center</p> <p>2012</p>	<p>The center conducted surveys, focus groups and phone interviews with the clinic's former and current patient base (residents of N/NE Portland who were low-income, many of whom were African-American) about health concerns and recommendations for the clinic to address health concerns in the future.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Comprehensive Plan Update</p> <p><i>Washington County</i></p> <p>2010</p>	<p>Organizations, coalitions, networks and community members involved in issues related to children and families participated in interviews addressing successes, challenges, and changes in conditions related to child/family programs.</p>	<p>Washington (OR)</p>

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engAGE in Community 2012	A telephone survey was conducted of people 60+ in six communities within Clackamas County to assess assets and residents' perceptions of current and future resources required to improve livability or 'age-friendliness.'	Clackamas (OR)
Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals <i>Multnomah County Health Department</i> 2009	These focus group discussions about housing and employment issues with African-American community members were used to inform help design of Multnomah County Health Department's Healthy Birth Initiative program.	Multnomah (OR)
Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County <i>Clark County Public Health Advisory Council, Clark County Public Health</i> 2012	This report outlined policy recommendations on ways that Clark County's Comprehensive Growth Management Plan can better address health issues. Outreach efforts with the general population included public meetings, key stakeholder interviews and meetings, presentations to community groups, and online surveys.	Clark (WA)
Healthy Active Communities for Portland's Affordable Housing Families <i>Oregon Public Health Institute</i> 2011	This four-year project aimed to shape policies and neighborhood environments to increase healthy eating and active living for children and families living in Portland's affordable housing communities. This initiative included a PhotoVoice component with residents of multi family housing developments.	Multnomah (OR)
Healthy Communities: Building Capacity Based on Local Tobacco Control Efforts <i>Oregon Health Authority</i> 2011	This report described the process for developing the Healthy Communities: Building Capacity program conducted in Oregon from 2008 through 2011, and the results of the capacity-building phase. It utilized the CHANGE tool, which is a data-collection and planning resource for community members wanting to make their community a healthier place to live, work, play, and learn.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Healthy Eating at Farmer's Markets: The Impact of Nutrition Incentive Programs <i>Oregon Public Health Institute</i> 2011	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) customers of farmer's markets were surveyed to evaluate the impact of the Nutrition Incentive Programs at selected markets in the Portland area.	Multnomah (OR)
Healthy Eating/Active Living Partnership <i>Portland State University, Multnomah County Health Department</i> 2009	Through community-based participatory research and a PhotoVoice project, Latino community members and children of Portland's Portsmouth neighborhood were engaged to create a healthier built environment and public policies that reduce the disproportionately high rate of obesity in low income and minority communities (particularly among children).	Multnomah (OR)

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Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan <i>Hillsboro City Council</i> 2010	To develop a picture of the community in the year 2020 as seen by citizens from a variety of backgrounds, cultures and interests, the Plan's revision process in 2010 engaged 1,000 people from the general population through multiple venues and outreach opportunities.	Washington (OR)
HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity) Coalition Five Year Health Equity Plan 2012	This plan identified the most pressing health equity needs for Multnomah, Washington, Marion, & Clackamas Counties, drew from interviews and community forums and built upon years of community advocacy efforts in the region.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference 2010	This all-day conference allowed immigrant and refugee community members to prioritize their needs, engage in facilitated group discussions, and interface with policymakers.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Improving Access to Affordable Health Care: An Outreach Audit of North Clackamas County Residents Living Below 200% of Poverty <i>Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services</i> 2011	A bilingual survey was sent to North Clackamas County residents to gather information about the health activities and social needs of this community. Findings informed service decisions and outreach efforts to residents who live below 200 percent of the federal poverty level.	Clackamas (OR)
The Latino Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile <i>Coalition of Communities of Color</i> 2012	This report was prepared to ensure that the experiences of communities of color are widely available. The information collected from community members was meant to determine and illustrate disparities that might not be seen in census data.	Multnomah (OR)
Legacy Health Community Needs Assessment 2011	This assessment included over 100 interviews with various stakeholders within the four-county Portland metropolitan area which covers Legacy Health's greater service area. The purpose of the assessment was to determine the elements within the health factors that have the greatest impact on our communities and to compare them with Legacy's strategic priorities, available expertise and available resources.	Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
<p>Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment and Implementation Strategies Plan</p> <p><i>Legacy Health</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>This assessment included interviews with various stakeholders within the primary service area (five mile radius) of Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital in Clark County. The purpose of the assessment was to determine the elements within the health factors that have the greatest impact on our communities and to compare them with Legacy's strategic priorities, available expertise and available resources.</p>	<p>Clark (WA)</p>
<p>Lessons from the Field: Portland, Oregon: Kelly GROW: Integrating Healthy Eating and Active Learning (HEAL) at Kelly Elementary</p> <p><i>Oregon Public Health Institute</i></p> <p>2010</p>	<p>Through engaging with 3rd-5th graders in Kelly Elementary School's SUN afterschool program by having them create "Personal Meaning Maps", this exercise helped determine the impact of the Kelly GROW project.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Multnomah County Community Health Assessment</p> <p><i>Multnomah County Health Department</i></p> <p>2011</p>	<p>This assessment included interviews, surveys and focus groups with various populations to learn the most important health-related issues according to people in Multnomah County.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes</p> <p><i>Multnomah County Health Department</i></p> <p>2009</p>	<p>Through a hosted "report back" session as well as surveys with community members and county employees, this process helped provide insight into the levels of concern regarding a list of selected health-related issues.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile</p> <p><i>Coalition of Communities of Color</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>This report documents the experiences of the Native American community in Multnomah County using data from the Census and the American Community Survey and leverages a range of input given by communities of color. The report also includes recommendations and calls for action.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Oregon Food Bank Nutrition Education Program Long-Term Follow-up Survey</p> <p>2010</p>	<p>Through surveys and interviews with Operation Frontline course participants, this process identified measurable lifestyle changes among nutrition education class participants, gathered feedback about the class, and created a baseline for future long-term surveys of the program and its Oregon Food Bank participants. Of Operation Frontline participants, the majority were 50+ in age, while others were disabled adults in low-income housing, parents of pre-school and school-aged children, single adults and families.</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)</p>

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
Oregon Health Improvement Plan <i>Oregon Health Policy Board, Oregon Health Authority</i> 2010	A series of forums and public input surveys with community members across Oregon resulted in recommendations to improve the lifelong health of Oregonians, prevent chronic disease, and stimulate innovation and collaboration within our communities.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Oregon Latino Agenda for Action Summit 2010	This event focused on finding consensus on the issues facing Latinos in Oregon, on ways to address those issues, and finally on which issue should be our first priority. Group discussion topics among varying community members and stakeholders included health, economics, and education	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Oregon Medicare-Medicaid Listening Groups: Final Report <i>Oregon Health Authority</i> 2011	Listening groups comprised of individuals eligible for dual enrollment for Medicare-Medicaid were convened across Oregon. These events informed Oregon Health Authority's Design Contract proposal for individuals who would be directly impacted.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Overview of Hispanics in an Aging Population: A supplement to the engAGE in Community initiative 2011	This project interviewed Latino Baby Boomers as well as younger Latino community members in order to understand and gauge the age-friendliness of Clackamas County.	Clackamas (OR)
Partnering for Student Success-The Cradle to Career Framework: Report To The Community 2010	The Cradle to Career strategic framework was developed through data collection and group conversations with a variety of stakeholders, including Multnomah County residents and community members from organizations committed to student academic/social growth. The framework was a set of educational and student support goals and a plan to coordinate community efforts to achieve them.	Multnomah (OR)
The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative <i>Greater Portland Pulse</i> 2011	The report was developed so that elected officials, community leaders, and the public can have access to up-to-date, consistent, measurable data in order to engage in informed regional and community decisions. The process involved people across the region, from Hillsboro to Gresham and Wilsonville to Vancouver.	Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Patient Centered Primary Care Home Implementation Task Force Report <i>Oregon Health Authority, NW Health Foundation</i> 2011	This report dealt with workgroups developed as a result of feedback from targeted interviews/surveys conducted by Oregon Health Authority and NW Health Foundation in 2010 and 2011. This report provides recommendations that would support the goal to have 75% of Oregonians accessing care in a Patient-Centered Primary Care Home by 2015.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
<p>Perceived and Actual Diabetes Risk in the Chinese and Hispanic/Latino Communities in Portland, Oregon</p> <p><i>Portland State University</i></p> <p>2011</p>	<p>This was a community-based participatory research study surveying Chinese and Hispanic/Latino immigrants in Portland about diabetes risk and awareness. The report assessed the association between perceived and actual risk and identified factors associated with disease risk.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Portland Mercado: Community Economic Development to Revitalize, Uplift, and Empower</p> <p><i>Adelante Planning, Hacienda Community Development Corporation, Portland State University</i></p> <p>2011</p>	<p>Over 200 Portland-area Latinos were interviewed with open-ended questions about entrepreneurial attitudes and assets, consumer habits and shopping perceptions, and interest in a new Mercado in the Portland area.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Portland Plan</p> <p><i>City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability</i></p> <p>2012</p>	<p>This multi-faceted community engagement project was intended to inform and develop a 25-year strategic plan for Portland. It included processes in goal-setting, discussing obstacles, and generating ideas about what the community really wants for the future. Multiple listening sessions and subcommittees were formed to process all information gathered.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>
<p>Project Access Now 2008-2010 Program Evaluation</p> <p>2010</p>	<p>In order to effectively improve the health of the community, Project Access Now implemented a program evaluation in the midst of their strategic planning efforts that engaged the Project's clients via surveys.</p>	<p>Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)</p>
<p>Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment</p> <p>2012</p>	<p>In order to capture a comprehensive picture of community needs for these hospitals, Providence utilized a supplemental survey conducted with 2,500 individuals who participated in the Oregon Health Study and who live in these facilities' service areas.</p>	<p>Clackamas (OR)</p>
<p>Providence Portland Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment</p> <p>2012</p>	<p>In order to capture a comprehensive picture of community needs for this Medical Center, Providence conducted community stakeholder interviews, focus groups, and surveys for people living in its primary and secondary service areas.</p>	<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
Providence St. Vincent Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment 2012	In order to capture a comprehensive picture of community needs for this Medical Center, Providence conducted community stakeholder interviews, focus groups, and surveys for people living in its primary and secondary service areas.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System <i>Washington Health Authority</i> 2012	This process surveyed multiple stakeholders (including community members) with the purpose of informing and driving the course of change for public health in Washington for the next three-to-five years.	Clark (WA)
Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Agenda <i>Coalition for a Livable Future</i> 2007-2009	The Action Agenda was a blueprint for action that responded to the research and direction from the community. It established policy priorities that aimed to address systemic causes of inequities in access to essential community resources and to opportunities for prosperity and good health. The Agenda was created between 2005 and 2007, and was unveiled in a series of forums that gathered feedback from community members from 2007 to 2009.	Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Roadmap to Health Communities: A Community Health Assessment <i>Clackamas County Department of Health and Human Services</i> 2012	This process gathered community information from as many diverse citizens as possible (via grassroots dialogue and surveys) on needs and priorities for building a healthy community while using limited resources wisely.	Clackamas (OR)
Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit <i>Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup</i> 2012	The purpose of this process was to explore via focus groups and interviews how residents had been faring during the recession, and to compare findings to an earlier needs assessment.	Washington (OR)
Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry Lead Partner Report <i>Oregon Food Bank</i> 2011	In order to evaluate the impact of the Cooking Matters course, adult, teen and child participants were surveyed. Cooking Matters empowers families at risk of hunger with the skills, knowledge and confidence to make healthy and affordable meals.	Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
Speak Out Survey 2009 <i>Multnomah County Health Department</i> 2010	This survey gathered descriptive data about the health and well-being of LGBTQI individuals in the Portland metropolitan area. It was conducted to inform efforts to promote health equity across sexual orientation and gender identity.	Multnomah (OR)
State of Black Oregon <i>Urban League of Portland</i> 2009	This report on the African-American community used case studies, developed policy recommendations and drew from community knowledge. It examined seven key social and economic indicators, racial disparities, and institutional barriers to prosperity and well-being for this community.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results <i>Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon</i> 2012	In this forum, 70 community members representing Asian and Pacific Islander communities split into small groups to identify policy recommendations through which to advance cultural competency and health equity.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
Together for Children: A Comprehensive Plan for Children and Families <i>Washington County Commission on Children and Families</i> 2010	This Plan documents the work of more than 250 individuals and organizations who gathered in small and large groups over the past year to develop a plan around Washington County's needs including those of a large Latino population.	Washington (OR)
Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment <i>Central City Concern on behalf of CareOregon</i> 2012	This assessment interviewed low-income and homeless individuals with the goal of supporting the current health care transformation efforts in the tri-county region by identifying the services needed to decrease hospital utilization by determining best practice interventions.	Clackamas (OR) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)
United Way White House Community Conversations—Clackamas, Clark, Washington counties, East Portland, and Camp Odyssey members (Five separate reports) 2012	United Way of the Columbia Willamette (UWCW) held conversations in the four-county area with members—including high school students, nontraditional community groups, the general population, residents of East Portland, and Spanish-speaking low-income apartment complex residents—so that UWCW could gain a stronger sense of the community's aspirations/concerns and so that UWCW could deepen relationships with members of nontraditional community groups.	Clackamas (OR) Clark (WA) Multnomah (OR) Washington (OR)

Project Name, Organization, Date	Project Description: Overview, Objectives, Methods, Populations Engaged	Geographic Area
Washington County Community Assessment <i>Oregon Child Development Coalition</i> 2009	This assessment was conducted for Oregon Child Development Coalition's Migrant Seasonal Head Start Program and leveraged input from parents with perceived needs and Latino migrants.	Washington (OR)
Washington County Issues of Poverty Community Action 2011	Through conducting interviews and a convening a focus group, this process addressed the causes and conditions of poverty in Washington County. Participants included Washington County residents, 40 of whom were low-income and seven of whom were Spanish-speaking.	Washington (OR)

APPENDIX II: Populations Identified in Community Engagement/Assessment Projects for Region⁵

Members of medically underserved populations, low income populations, minority populations and populations with chronic disease needs:

- African-American population
- Asian and Pacific Islander population
- Black Oregonians⁶
- Chinese immigrant population
- Communities of color
- HIV-positive population
- Homeless population
- Immigrant and Refugee communities
- Latino and immigrant population
- Latino community members
- Latino migrant population
- Latino population/Spanish speaking
- LGBTQI population
- Low-income older adults (ages 50+)
- Low-income population
- Low-income renters in North and Northeast Portland
- Native American population
- Oregon Food Bank recipients (low-income adults, teens, children)
- Oregon Food and Nutrition Assistance Program participants
- Seniors (ages 60-93)
- Somali and Ethiopian elders
- Spanish speaking population
- Uninsured population

People who represent communities served by the following hospital facilities:

- Residents of Legacy Emanuel Hospital service area
- Residents of Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital service area
- Residents of Legacy Meridian Park Hospital service area
- Residents of Legacy Mt. Hood Hospital service area
- Residents of Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital service area
- Residents of Providence Milwaukie Hospital service area
- Residents of Providence Portland Hospital service area
- Residents of Providence St. Vincent Hospital service area
- Residents of Providence Willamette Falls Hospital service area

Other populations:

- 3rd and 5th graders in SUN afterschool program
- General population⁷
- High school students
- Residents of East Portland

⁵ Populations identified in community engagement/assessment projects are arranged by IRS 990 requirements.

⁶As identified in *State of Black Oregon*

⁷ General population is defined as adult and/or youth community members who do not represent any specific population

APPENDIX III: Populations Identified in Community Assessment Projects by County

<p>Clackamas (OR)</p>	<p>Members of medically underserved populations, low income populations, minority populations and populations with chronic disease needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian and Pacific Islander population • Black Oregonians • HIV-positive population • Homeless population • Immigrant and refugee communities • Latino population/Spanish speaking • LGBTQI population • Low-income older adults (ages 50+) • Low-income population • Oregon Food Bank recipients (low-income adults, teens, children) • Oregon Food and Nutrition Assistance program participants • Seniors (ages 60-93) <p>People who represent communities served by the following hospital facilities³:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents of Legacy Meridian Park Hospital service area • Residents of Providence Milwaukie Hospital service area • Residents of Providence Willamette Falls Hospital service area <p>Other populations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General population • High school students
<p>Clark (WA)</p>	<p>Members of medically underserved populations, low income populations, minority populations and populations with chronic disease needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV-Positive population • LGBTQI population • Low-income older adults (ages 50+) • Oregon Food Bank recipients (low-income adults, teens, children) • Uninsured population <p>People who represent communities served by the following hospital facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents of Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Service Area <p>Other populations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High school students • General population
<p>Multnomah (OR)</p>	<p>Members of medically underserved populations, low income populations, minority populations and populations with chronic disease needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African-American population • Asian & Pacific Islander population • Black Oregonians⁴ • Chinese immigrant population • Communities of color • HIV-positive population • Homeless population • Immigrant and refugee communities • Latino immigrant population • Latino population/Spanish speaking • LGBTQI population • Low-income older adults (ages 50+) • Low-income population

(continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-income renters in North and Northeast Portland • Low-income uninsured residents of East, North and Northeast Portland • Native American population • Oregon Food Bank recipients (low-income adults, teens, children) • Oregon Food and Nutrition Assistance program participants • Seniors (ages 60-93) • Somali and Ethiopian elders
	<p>People who represent communities served by the following hospital facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents of Legacy Emanuel Hospital service area • Residents of Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital service area • Residents of Legacy Mt. Hood Hospital service area • Residents of Providence Portland Hospital service area • Residents of Providence St. Vincent Hospital service area
	<p>Other populations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd and 5th graders in SUN afternoon program • General population • High school students • Residents of East Portland
Washington (OR)	<p>Members of medically underserved populations, low income populations, minority populations and populations with chronic disease needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian and Pacific Islander population • Black Oregonians • HIV-positive population • Immigrant and refugee communities • Latino community members • Latino migrant population • LGBTQI population • Low-income older adults (ages 50+) • Low-income population • Oregon Food Bank recipients (low-income adults, teens, children) • Oregon Food and Nutrition Assistance program participants • Seniors (ages 60-93) • Spanish speaking population
	<p>People who represent communities served by the following hospital facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents of Legacy Meridian Park Hospital service area • Residents of Providence St. Vincent Hospital service area
	<p>Other populations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General population • High school students

Appendix IV: Top Health-Related Themes with Corresponding Community Engagement/Assessment Projects for Region

Theme	Corresponding Community Engagement/Assessment Projects
<p>Social environment: Sense of community; social support for the community, families, and parents; equity; social inclusion; racism; opportunities/venues to socialize; spirituality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACHIEVE (Action Communities for Health, Innovation and Environmental Change) Community, Multnomah County Health Department • The Asian and Pacific Islander Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update, City of Beaverton • Cascade AIDS Project Strategic Planning 2009-2014 Data Collection Report • Clackamas County Community Health Improvement Plan, Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services • Communities of Color in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • engAGE in community • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County, Health Advisory Council, Clark County Public Health • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity Coalition) Five Year Health Equity Plan • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference • The Latino Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Legacy Health 2011 Community Needs Assessment • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011, Multnomah County Health Department • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Oregon Health Improvement Plan, Oregon Health Authority • Oregon Latino Agenda for Action Summit-2010 • Overview of Hispanics in an Aging Population: A supplement to the engAGE in Community initiative • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • Speak Out Survey 2009, Multnomah County Health Department • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • Together for Children: A Comprehensive Plan for Children and Families, Washington County Commission on Children and Families • Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment, Central City Concern on behalf of CareOregon • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clark County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • United Way White House Community Conversations-Washington County • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition

<p>Equal economic opportunities: Jobs; prosperous households; economic self-sufficiency; equal access to living wage jobs; workforce development; economic recovery.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Asian and Pacific Islander Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalitions of Communities of Color, Coalitions of Communities of Color • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update 2012, City of Beaverton • Communities of Color in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalitions of Communities of Color • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • engAGE in community • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity Coalition) Five Year Health Equity Plan • Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference • Legacy Health 2011 Community Needs Assessment • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • Oregon Latino Agenda for Action Summit-2010 • Overview of Hispanics in an Aging Population: A supplement to the engAGE in Community initiative • Partnering for Student Success-The Cradle to Career Framework: 2010 Report To The Community • Portland Mercado: Community Economic Development to Revitalize, Uplift, and Empower • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System, Washington Department of Health • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse • Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment, Central City Concern on Behalf of CareOregon • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clark County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • United Way White House Community Conversations-Washington County • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action
<p>Access to Affordable Health Care: Access for low income, uninsured, underinsured; access to primary care, medications; emergency room utilization; health care coordination.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update 2012, City of Beaverton • Cascade AIDS Project Strategic Planning 2009-2014 Data Collection Report • Causa/Latino Health Coalition and NW Health Foundation Latino Health Assembly • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • engAGE in Community • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity) Coalition Five Year Health Equity Plan • Improving Access to Affordable Health Care: An Outreach Audit of North Clackamas County Residents Living Below %200 of Poverty, Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services • Legacy Health 2011 Community Needs Assessment • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment

<p>Access to Affordable Health Care: (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • Oregon Health Improvement Plan, Oregon Health Authority • Oregon Medicare-Medicaid Listening Groups: Final Report, Oregon Health Authority • Overview of Hispanics in an Aging Population: A supplement to the engAGE in Community initiative • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse • Project Access Now 2008-2010 Program Evaluation • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence Portland Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence St. Vincent Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System, Washington Department of Health • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • Speak Out Survey 2009, Multnomah County Health Department • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • Together for Children: A Comprehensive Plan for Children and Families, Washington County Commission on Children and Families • Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment, Central City Concern on Behalf of CareOregon • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action
<p>Education: culturally-relevant curriculum; student empowerment; education quality; opportunity to go to college; long term funding/ investment in education</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Asian and Pacific Islander Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalitions of Communities of Color • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update 2012, City of Beaverton • Clackamas County Community Health Improvement Plan, Clackamas County Department of Health and Human Services • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • Healthy Communities: Building Capacity Based on Local Tobacco Control Efforts, Oregon Health Authority • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference • The Latino Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Legacy Health 2011 Community Needs Assessment • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Lessons from the Field: Portland, Oregon: Kelly GROW: Integrating Healthy Eating and Active Learning (HEAL) at Kelly Elementary, Oregon Public Health Institute • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Oregon Health Improvement Plan, Oregon Health Authority • Oregon Latino Agenda for Action Summit-2010 • Partnering for Student Success-The Cradle to Career Framework: 2010 Report To The Community • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse

<p>Education: (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clark County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • United Way White House Community Conversations-Washington County • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition
<p>Access to healthy food: Hunger; EBT-SNAP benefits; nutrition; fruit and vegetable consumption; community gardens; farmers markets; healthy food retail; farm-to-school</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACHIEVE (Action Communities for Health, Innovation and Environmental Change) Community, Multnomah County Health Department • African American Health Coalition CPPW Final Report • Clackamas County Community Health Improvement Plan, Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services • Community Health Partnership: SNAP Roundtable, Oregon Public Health Institute • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • engAGE in community • Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County • Healthy Active Communities for Portland's Affordable Housing Families, Oregon Public Health Institute • Healthy Communities: Building Capacity Based on Local Tobacco Control Efforts • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • Healthy Eating at Farmers Markets: The Impact of Nutrition Incentive Programs, Oregon Public Health Institute • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity) Coalition Five Year Health Equity Plan • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Lessons from the Field: Portland, Oregon: Kelly GROW: Integrating Healthy Eating and Active Learning (HEAL) at Kelly Elementary, Oregon Public Health Institute • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Oregon Food Bank Nutrition Education Program 2010 Long-Term Follow-up Survey • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence St. Vincent Medical Center- Community Health Needs Assessment • Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System, Washington Department of Health • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry Lead Partner Report, Oregon Food Bank • Speak Out Survey 2009, Multnomah County Health Department • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition

<p>Housing: Affordability; availability; stability; evictions; tenant education; homelessness; healthy housing; housing integrated with social services/ transportation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Asian and Pacific Islander Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalitions of Communities of Color • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update 2012, City of Beaverton • Cascade AIDS Project Strategic Planning 2009-2014 Data Collection Report • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • engAGE in community • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County, Health Advisory Council, Clark County Public Health • Healthy Active Communities for Portland's Affordable Housing Families, Oregon Public Health Institute • Healthy Communities: Building Capacity Based on Local Tobacco Control Efforts • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity) Five Year Health Equity Plan • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference • Legacy Health 2011 Community Needs Assessment • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence St. Vincent Medical Center- Community Health Needs Assessment • Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System, Washington Department of Health • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment, Central City Concern on behalf of CareOregon • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action
<p>Mental health & substance abuse treatment: Depression; suicide; drug/alcohol abuse; access for culturally-specific groups and LGBTQI community; counseling; inpatient treatment; prevention.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity) Five Year Health Equity Plan • Improving Access to Affordable Health Care: An Outreach Audit of North Clackamas County Residents Living Below% 200 of Poverty, Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services • The Latino Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • Oregon Health Improvement Plan, Oregon Health Authority • Patient Centered Primary Care Home Implementation Task Force Report, Oregon Health Authority, NW Health Foundation • Project Access Now 2008-2010 Program Evaluation • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment

<p>Mental health & substance abuse treatment: (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providence Portland Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System, Washington Department of Health • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • Speak Out Survey 2009, Multnomah County Health Department • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • Together for Children: A Comprehensive Plan for Children and Families, Washington County Commission on Children and Families • Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment, Central City Concern on behalf of CareOregon • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action
<p>Poverty: Basic needs; cost of living; financial status; daily struggles to make ends meet</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Asian and Pacific Islander Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalitions of Communities of Color • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • Communities of Color in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County, Health Advisory Council, Clark County Public Health • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • The Latino Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Oregon Food Bank Nutrition Education Program 2010 Long-Term Follow-up Survey • Oregon Health Improvement Plan, Oregon Health Authority • Project Access Now 2008-2010 Program Evaluation • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence St. Vincent Medical Center- Community Health Needs Assessment • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action

<p>Early childhood/ Youth: Child welfare; youth development & empowerment; opportunities for youth; parental support of student education experience</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causa/Latino Health Coalition and NW Health Foundation Latino Health Assembly • Clackamas County Community Health Improvement Plan, Clackamas County Department of Health, Housing, and Human Services • Communities of Color in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • The Latino Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital Community Needs Assessment • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • Oregon Latino Agenda for Action Summit-2010 • The Native American Community in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Profile, Coalition of Communities of Color • Partnering for Student Success-The Cradle to Career Framework: 2010 Report To The Community • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • Together for Children: A Comprehensive Plan for Children and Families, Washington County Commission on Children and Families • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clark County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition
<p>Chronic disease: obesity; smoking; chronic disease support, management & prevention</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African American Health Coalition CPPW Final Report • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • Focus Group Discussions with Housing, Job Training and Employment Professionals, Multnomah County Health Department • Healthy Communities: Building Capacity Based on Local Tobacco Control Efforts, Oregon Health Authority • HOPE (Healthy Oregon Partnership for Equity) Coalition Five Year Health Equity Plan • Legacy Health 2011 Community Needs Assessment • Legacy Salmon Creek Community Needs Assessment • Oregon Health Improvement Plan, Oregon Health Authority • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse • Perceived and actual diabetes risk in the Chinese and Hispanic/Latino Communities in Portland, OR, Portland State University • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Project Access Now 2008-2010 Program Evaluation • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence Portland Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence St. Vincent Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Public Health Improvement Partnership Agenda for Change Action Plan: Initial Priorities and First Steps for Advancing Washington's Public Health System, Washington Department of Health • Speak Out Survey 2009, Multnomah County Health Department • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • State of Cultural Competency Community Forum-Results, Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon • Tri-County Supported Housing and Supportive Services Needs Assessment, Central City Concern on behalf of CareOregon • Washington County Community Assessment, Oregon Child Development Coalition

<p>Safe neighborhood: Public safety; crime; violence; police relations; traffic/pedestrian safety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update 2012, City of Beaverton • engAGE in community • Comprehensive Plan Update, Washington County • Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County, Health Advisory Council, Clark County Public Health • Healthy Active Communities for Portland's Affordable Housing Families, Oregon Public Health Institute • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • The Path to Economic Prosperity: Equity and the Education Imperative, Greater Portland Pulse • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • State of Black Oregon, Urban League of Portland • United Way White House Community Conversation-Camp Odyssey • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clark County • United Way White House Community Conversation-East Portland Community Center • United Way White House Community Conversations-Washington County • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action
<p>Transportation options: Equitable access to public transportation; bicycling and pedestrian issues; transportation infrastructure investments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaverton Community Vision Action Plan Update 2012, City of Beaverton • Community Value Assessment of North by Northeast Community Health Center • engAGE in community • Growing Healthier: Planning for a Healthier Clark County, Health Advisory Council, Clark County Public Health • Healthy Active Communities for Portland's Affordable Housing Families, Oregon Public Health Institute • Healthy Eating/Active Living, Multnomah County Health Department • Hillsboro 2020 Vision and Action Plan, Hillsboro City Council • Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization Shaping Our Future: Community Needs Assessment Conference • Lessons from the Field: Portland, Oregon: Kelly GROW: Integrating Healthy Eating and Active Learning (HEAL) at Kelly Elementary, Oregon Public Health Institute • Multnomah County Community Health Assessment 2011 • Multnomah County Health Equity Initiative: Unnatural Causes, Multnomah County Health Department • Overview of Hispanics in an Aging Population: A supplement to the engAGE in Community initiative • Portland Plan, City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability • Project Access Now 2008-2010 Program Evaluation • Providence Milwaukie Hospital and Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center-Community Health Needs Assessment • Providence St. Vincent Medical Center- Community Health Needs Assessment • Regional Equity Atlas Project Action Plan, Coalition for a Livable Future • Roadmap to Healthy Communities: A Community Health Assessment, Clackamas County Health Department • Running on Empty: Services and Citizens Stretched to the Limit, Washington County Anti-Poverty Workgroup • United Way White House Community Conversation-Clackamas County • Washington County Issues of Poverty, Community Action

