

Fiscal Year 2018 (July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018)

Mercy Oklahoma City Community Benefit Report

Partners in Community Health

Mercy Hospital Oklahoma City is partnering with INTEGRIS and SSM Health St. Anthony hospitals to complete the 2019 community health needs assessment for Oklahoma County. This is the first time that all three not-for-profit hospitals have collaborated to complete a single community health needs assessment for the county instead of individually.

The three hospital systems have also collaborated with the Oklahoma City-County Health Department, the United Way of Central Oklahoma, and the Oklahoma State Department of Health on the project. The community health needs assessment data collection process included reviewing published public health data and community input including an online survey and numerous community focus groups.

The collaboration has also opened the door for groundbreaking collaboration in other community health projects in Oklahoma County.

The three hospital systems joined the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma to apply for a grant project, "Food for Health." This program was aimed at addressing food insecurity for hospital patients. While the grant did not make it past the second round of the application process, the project's collaborators are continuing to work together to ensure patients have access to food after they are discharged from a hospital stay.

Additionally, INTEGRIS, SSM Health St. Anthony, and Mercy Oklahoma City are in the early stages of working to implement a "Blue Zones" project in Oklahoma City. The group is expanding to include the other hospital systems and is planning a community stakeholder meeting in early 2019 to gauge community interest.

Total Community Benefit
\$60,317,000

Charity Care

Includes the actual cost of providing free or discounted care to persons who cannot afford to pay and who are not eligible for public programs. Charity care does not include bad debt.
Benefit: \$24,191,000

Community Outreach Services

Includes activities carried out to improve community health and services that are subsidized because they are needed in the community. Examples: education, support groups, health screenings, and immunizations.
Benefit: \$2,243,000

Health Professionals

Education and Research
Includes the cost of providing clinical placement for physicians, nurses and other health professionals plus the costs of the nursing anesthesia, EMS and radiology schools.
Benefit: \$2,940,000

Cash, In-Kind Donations, Workforce

Enhancement and Fundraising
Includes cash, in-kind donations, fundraising costs, food & supplies to shelters, use of Mercy rooms and facilities, donated office space and recruitment of health professionals in medically underserved areas.
Benefit: \$856,000

Medicaid Subsidies

Includes the actual unpaid cost of providing care to Medicaid patients and represents the shortfall between cost of care and the payments received by the government.
Benefit: \$30,088,000



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