

Fiscal Year 2018 (Third Quarter: July 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018)

Mercy Kansas Community Benefit Report

Bourbon County Earns Award at Kansas State of Wellness Symposium

Total Community Benefit
\$1,784,000



The Healthy Bourbon County Action Team was recognized in front of hundreds of health leaders at the 2018 State of Wellness Symposium in Salina, Kansas, for earning the prestigious Community Health Champion award.

The Healthy Bourbon County Action Team realized that prevalence of diabetes in the county is over 25 percent higher than the national rate and decided to change that. Led by Jody Hoener, Mercy Clinic quality and community benefit liaison, the team worked hard to engage community members and organizations in their planning efforts with much success.

Since the inception of the Healthy Bourbon County Action Team, the group has assisted with creating additional trails for biking and walking, installed bike racks and shared bicycles around Fort Scott, installed

water bottle filling stations at a school and are getting healthy, locally-grown foods in restaurants. Through building partnerships, they have cultivated a community culture that is more supportive of healthy lifestyles.

“I was so proud to be a part of the Bourbon County Action Team that traveled to Salina to receive the Community Champion award for our great ‘City,’” said Dave Martin, Fort Scott city manager. “People were amazed at all the hard work and progress that we are making and Jody Hoener did a great job representing us on a success panel. A healthy community is a happy community.”

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: \$116,000

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: \$147,000

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: \$27,000

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: \$11,000

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: \$1,483,000



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