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About Us

Adventist Health

Adventist Health is a faith-inspired, nonprofit integrated health system serving more than 80 communities on the West Coast and Hawaii. Founded on Adventist heritage and values, Adventist Health provides care in hospitals, clinics, home care agencies, hospice agencies and joint-venture retirement centers in both rural and urban communities. Our compassionate and talented team of 34,000 includes associates, medical staff physicians, allied health professionals and volunteers driven in pursuit of one mission: *Living God's love by inspiring health, wholeness and hope.*

Together, we are transforming the American healthcare experience with an innovative, yet timeless, whole-person focus on physical, mental, spiritual and social healing to support community well-being.

Adventist Health Simi Valley

Adventist Health Simi Valley was founded in 1965 by a group of dedicated community members who had a vision to build a hospital in the towns of Santa Susana and Simi Valley. Today, all of us at Adventist Health Simi Valley share that same vision of progress and growth as well as a passion to provide excellent care and service.

As a faith-based hospital founded on the health and wellness principles of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, we are committed to providing Simi Valley, Moorpark and surrounding communities with the finest medical care. We believe that our Christian-based mission to treat the whole person-mind, body and spirit-makes the difference.

Today, Adventist Health Simi Valley offers a wide range of patient care services including:

- Cancer Navigation Program
- Care Transitions and Caregiver Support Program
- Center of Excellence in Robotic Surgery
- Childhood Development Center
- Emergency Department Care
- Moorpark Urgent Care Center and Specialty Clinic
- Nancy Reagan Breast Center
- Spine and Orthopedic
- STEMI Receiving Center
- Stroke Center of Excellence
- Substance Use Navigation Program (CA Bridge)

2022 CHNA Top Identified Health Needs

Prioritized Health needs – planning to address

- Mental Health
- Health Conditions
- Access to Care

In this Year One Update , FY 2023 of our Community Health Implementation Strategy, also known as the Community Health Plan Update, FY 2023, you will find strategies, tactics and partnerships that worked to address the health needs as identified in the 2022 Adventist Health Simi Valley Community Health Needs Assessment.

Community Health Implementation Strategy 2022-2025

The high priority needs are addressed in the community health implementation strategy and are reported on a yearly basis through the Annual Community Health Plan Update. This is year one of a three-year strategy to improve the health of our community. We invite you to learn about the actions, activities and programs that have been implemented in 2023.

In addition to the work identified in the Ventura County Community Health Improvement Collaborative (VCCHIC) contained in this report, Adventist Health Simi Valley is actively engaged in other projects which directly impact our community well-being that we implement, measure outcomes and report to the Mission Sub-Committee. These include Community Presence through grants, events and sponsorships.

Youth

1. Empathy program funding for Simi Valley Unified School District
2. Partnership with Moorpark College
3. Athletic trainers and clinical oversight at five local high schools
4. Create education and support network for students and families to navigate issues
5. Opportunity to incorporate social work support
6. Healthy Kids Fun Zones at community events
7. Every 15 Minutes and Not One More education events; hosting, funding, facilitating
8. Foster Youth – Aging out of the foster system puts teens at higher risk of being trafficked, using drugs and alcohol, criminal behavior, homelessness and suicide
9. Human trafficking awareness, events and prevention

Aging Adults

1. Caregiver support program and care navigation
2. Senior Center collaborations
 - a. Expand financial planning and counselling resources
 - b. Senior Wellness Expo
 - c. Fall Prevention
3. Senior Concerns collaborations
 - a. Caregiver support events and groups
4. Parks and Recreation collaborations for senior health and well-being

Heart Health

1. AHA Partnership and Events
2. Blood Pressure Education Campaign
3. Heart Disease Prevention
4. 2-Step Hands Only CPR Education and Training

Substance Abuse and Mental Health

1. CA Bridge Substance Use Navigation Program
2. Stigma reduction education
3. Community outreach and education events
4. Distribution of Narcan

Cancer

1. Support Groups
2. Care Navigator Program
3. Education and Prevention Classes

Community Presence Grants, Events and Sponsorships

- 20+ events each year

COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY VENTURA COUNTY

ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE ACROSS THE LIFESPAN



GOAL: Increase access to mental health and substance use related services in Ventura County



STRATEGY: Expand reach of mental health and substance use prevention programs and measures



OBJECTIVE: Improve mental health access through education, leveraging existing behavioral health resources, building organization-based networks and sharing lessons learned.

PREVENTION OF CHRONIC CONDITIONS BY PROMOTING HEALTHY LIFESTYLES



GOAL: Address some of the social determinants of health (SDOH) that contribute to chronic conditions and inhibit healthy lifestyles in Ventura County



STRATEGY: Promote an environment conducive to both physical exercise and increased access to healthy foods.



OBJECTIVE: Identify policies and programs, evaluated through a health equity lens, that promote healthy behaviors and increase access to physical activities and healthy foods in Ventura County.

ADVANCING EQUITABLE ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE



GOAL: Expand access to preventative care services to reduce the need for emergency visits in Ventura County



STRATEGY: Develop and implement health equity conscious policies and programs to expand preventative care service availability and accessibility in Ventura County.



OBJECTIVE: Implement policies and programs aimed at expanding and promoting access to culturally appropriate preventative care services among underserved populations in Ventura County.

DESCRIPTION OF THE COMMUNITY SERVED

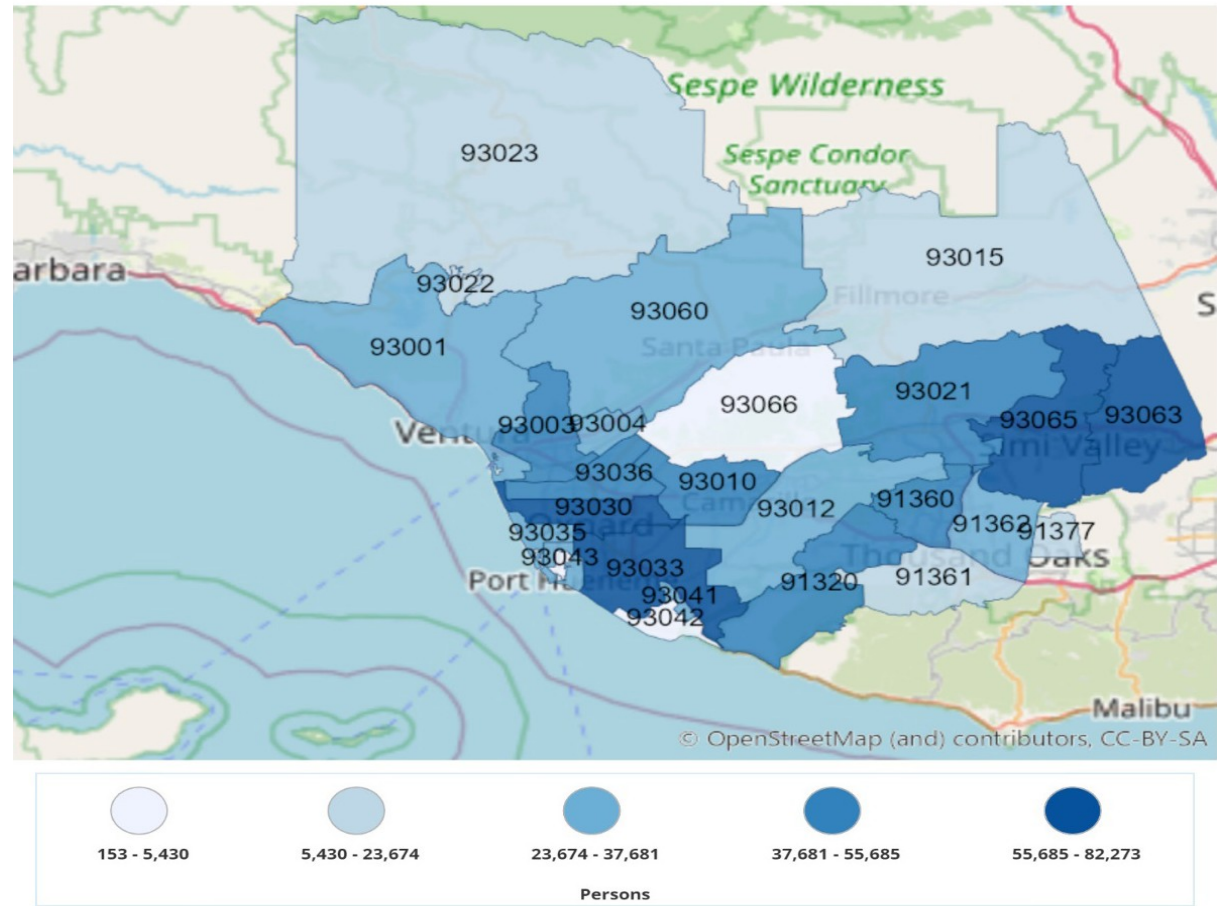
Community Definition and Description

In this document, community is defined as the resident population within the hospital's service area. Committed to addressing health disparities and serving communities with impactful solutions that leverage shared resources and coordinate care, the health agencies that make up the VCCHIC have come together in defining their service area as the County of Ventura.

Located in Southern California, Ventura County has a land area of 1,843.1 square miles which encompasses 10 cities, 23 census-designated places, and 15 other unincorporated communities. According to 2022 Claritas Pop-Facts, Ventura County has a population of 842,465 and is the 13th largest county in terms of population. Figure 1 illustrates the population size in Ventura County by zip code. The most populated zip codes are 93033 (Oxnard), 93065 (Simi Valley), 93030 (Oxnard), and 93063 (Simi Valley) with population totals of 82,273; 74,289; 60,815; and 55,685 respectively. Additional details describing the community in Ventura County, including demographics and social and economic determinants of health, can be found in the CHNA report on the Health Matters in Ventura County website at <https://www.healthmattersinvc.org/>.

FIGURE 1 POPULATION OF VENTURA COUNTY BY ZIP CODE

Data Source: Claritas



May 19, 2022

www.healthmattersinvc.org

FINDINGS FROM THE 2022 CHNA

VCCHIC conducted its 2022 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) between January and June 2022. The purpose of the CHNA was to identify and prioritize the significant health needs of the community.

Methods for Identifying Community Needs

Secondary data used in the assessment consisted of community health indicators, while primary data consisted of focus group discussions and an online community survey. Findings from all these data sources were analyzed to identify the significant health needs for Ventura County.

Summary of Findings

Health needs were determined to be significant if they met the following criteria:

- Secondary data analysis: top 10 health needs as ranked by HCI's Data Scoring Tool
- Survey analysis: identified by 25% or more of respondents as a priority issue
- Qualitative analysis: frequency topic was discussed within/across focus groups
- Life expectancy data: analysis of leading causes of death, leading causes of premature death and all-cause mortality

Through this criteria, fifteen needs emerged as significant. Figure 2 illustrates the final 15 significant health needs, listed in alphabetical order, that were included for prioritization based on the findings of all forms of data collected for the VCCHIC 2022 CHNA.

VCCHIC convened a group of community leaders to participate in a presentation of data on the 15 significant health needs. Following the presentation, participants engaged in a discussion and were asked to complete an online prioritization activity.

FIGURE 2. SIGNIFICANT HEALTH NEEDS



Process and Criteria

The online prioritization activity included two criteria for prioritization:

- Magnitude of the Issue
- Ability to Impact

Participants assigned a score of 1-3 to each health topic and criterion, with a higher score indicating a greater likelihood for that topic to be prioritized. Numerical scores for the two criteria were then combined and averaged to produce an aggregate score and ranking for each health topic.

Prioritization Results

After discussing the results of the prioritization process, the VCCHIC founding members agreed to include each of the 15 significant health needs as subtopics to three prioritized health needs. The three priority health needs are shown in Table 1.

Prioritized Significant Health Needs

The first prioritized significant health need, Addressing Mental Health and Substance Use Across the Lifespan included Adverse Childhood Experiences (encompassing Adolescent Health, Substance Use, Housing Overcrowding and Education) and Health and Wellness for Older Adults. The second prioritized

significant health need, Prevention of Chronic Conditions by Promoting Healthy Lifestyles, includes chronic disease related sub-topics like Diabetes, Cancer, Weight Status, Physical Activity, Heart Disease and Stroke and Nutrition and Healthy Eating. The third and final prioritized significant health need is Advancing Equitable Access to Healthcare.

TABLE 1 PRIORITIZED SIGNIFICANT HEALTH NEEDS

Addressing Mental Health and Substance Use Across the Lifespan

Prevention of Chronic Conditions by Promoting Healthy Lifestyles

Advancing Equitable Access to Healthcare



Significant Identified Health Needs

The High Priority Needs are the focus of the community health implementation strategy and this accompanying Community Health Plan Update, FY 2023.

Although we address aspects of the fifteen identified areas through our service lines and community outreach, we have chosen to apply targeted funding and efforts to our top three areas. The purpose of not targeting additional areas are due to a combination of factors that include capacity, expertise and the way these concerns can be addressed by other agencies and organization.



High Priority Needs
Mental Health (alcohol & drug use)
Health Conditions by promoting healthy lifestyles (diabetes/respiratory diseases/heart disease and stroke/weight status/cancer)
Access to Care
Lower Priority Needs that will not be addressed directly by Adventist Health Simi Valley due to limited resources, expertise and feasibility of viable interventions but are
Adolescent Health
Nutrition and Healthy Eating
COVID-19
Housing
Physical Activity
Education
Older Adults

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Action Plan for Addressing High Priority Needs

Adventist Health Simi Valley ADDRESSING HIGH PRIORITY: MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE

GOAL	Increase access to mental health and substance use related services in Ventura County	
Strategy:	Expand reach of mental health and substance use prevention programs and measures.	
Population Served:	Children and Older Adults (0-75) in Ventura County	
Internal Partners:	Clinical, SUN, Director of Well-Being, and Staff	
External Partners:	VCCHIC, Ventura County Behavioral Health, Soroptimist of Simi Valley, Moorpark College	
Type of Strategy: Program/Activity/Tactic/Policy		Lead/Organization
<p><i>Improve mental health access through education, leveraging existing behavioral health resources, building organization-based networks and sharing lessons learned.</i></p> <p>Activity 1: Expanding Substance Use Navigators (SUN) to all hospitals within Ventura County.</p> <p>Activity 2: Leveraging lessons learned from Medi-Cal integrated behavioral health programs to expand access to behavioral health services.</p> <p>Activity 3: Leverage the Community Information Exchange (CIE) as a resource for providers connecting patients in the primary care setting with existing and future community behavioral health support programs and services.</p>		<p>VCCHIC Founding Members, Community Memorial Health System, Ventura County Public Health with the Ventura Department of Education, Gold Coast Health Plan and VCCHIC CIE Governance Board Member Organizations as partners</p>

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<p>In the spirit of enhancing programs and services to expand access to mental health and substance use services, Adventist Health Simi Valley in collaboration with the Ventura County Community Health Improvement Collaborative is on track with developing a Community Information Exchange for community members in need.</p> <p>A new Substance Use Navigator was hired in May of 2023 and works directly with ED, Case Management and Social worker teams as a liaison to patients experiencing homeless and substance use. On average, the SUN meets with 60 patients monthly and coordinates services including treatment facilities, MAT, and other essential services. The SUN was continually active in community engagement at AHSV sponsored events providing essential education and awareness including distribution of NARCAN.</p> <p>3/14 - Every 15 Minutes: The Emergency Department collaborated with Simi Valley Unified School District, PTSA, AMR, and the Simi Valley Police Department and participated in the statewide annual “Every 15 Minutes,” a 2-day simulated impaired driving awareness event for 1,000 junior and senior high schoolers.</p> <p>4/27 - Fentanyl Community Meeting: AHSV collaborated with Soroptimist of Simi Valley in a Fentanyl Community Meeting. Dr. Tilles, Kristen, and Shawn (SUN) engaged more than 200 audience members with education training on the proper usage of a Narcan kit. More than 115 Narcan kits were distributed.</p>

Adventist Health Simi Valley (AHSV) ADDRESSING HIGH PRIORITY: PREVENTING CHRONIC CONDITIONS

GOAL	Address some of the social determinants of health (SDOH) that contribute to chronic conditions and inhibit healthy lifestyles in Ventura County
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Strategy:	Promote an environment conducive to both physical exercise and increased access to healthy foods
Population Served:	All age, race and ethnic groups in Ventura County
Internal Partners:	Director of Well-Being, Community Engagement Manager (Athletic Trainer), Executive Assistant, Clinical, Staff
External Partners:	VCCHIC, Body Brain Train, Kiwanis of Simi Valley, City of Simi Valley, Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce, Simi Valley Women’s Club

Type of Strategy: Program/Activity/Tactic/Policy	Lead/Organization
Identify policies and programs, evaluated through a health equity lens, which promote healthy behaviors and increase access to physical activities and healthy foods in Ventura County. Activity 1: Increase access to healthy foods by connecting community members to available resources. Activity 2: Promote physical activity as a key component of a healthy lifestyle. Activity 3: Facilitate coordination of hospital and health system cancer prevention programs. Activity 4: Coordinate referrals for strategic programs and promote events via the Community Information Exchange (CIE).	VCCHIC Founding Members with CIE Governance Board, Ventura County Public Health, Gold Coast Health Plan, Camarillo Health Care District, Community Memorial Health System,

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With an equitable lens and in partnership with VCCHIC, AHSV will work to identify policies and programs focused on healthy behaviors, access to physical activities and healthy foods working toward the following milestones that will evolve quarterly over the next 3 years. Adventist Health Simi Valley is deeply rooted in the community and participates in several community events annually supporting physical activity, outreach and education, guest speaker series, training and collaboration with organizations who are involved in servicing our vulnerable populations, along with advocacy for better health.

2/1 - Simi Valley Women’s Club: AHSV RN was guest speaker at the Simi Valley Women’s Club and provided hands only CPR education and awareness training.

3/25 – Body Brain Train: AHSV participated with an outreach and education booth in the first annual Punch-a-thon event that specializes in health and wellness education and awareness classes to the senior community including people living with Dementia and Parkinson’s disease.

4/15 – Junior Olympics: AHSV engaged in the annual Junior Olympics event where 1,200 athletes in grades 4-6 competed in 17 different Olympic style events including softball throw, track and field, volleyball, and more. Sports medicine students volunteered at the AHSV First Aid booth to help students with injuries and/or health related issues.

5/16 – Moorpark College Symposium: AHSV hosted an Athletic Training Symposium at Moorpark College for 35 Certified Athletic Trainers to earn credential requirements, demonstrate best safety practices, identify risk factors, injury and treatment diagnosis, and develop problem solving skills.

5/17 – Senior Wellness Expo: In collaboration with the City of Simi Valley Council on Aging, AHSV participated in the annual Senior Wellness Expo for more than 500 community members. AHSV RN’s conducted 75 blood pressure

screenings and engaged with the senior community by providing general wellness information include heart health, stroke awareness, robotic surgery, geriatric, and resistance band work-out program.

6/1 – Senior Community Games: AHSV partnered with the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District and sponsored the annual Senior Community Games to more than 250 senior athletes. This program promotes healthy activities, well-being education, social engagement, and mental health well-being.

Summer Kidz Fun Zones: AHSV offered youth and families to interact and participate in free active play at Fun Zone play areas to socialize, increase physical movement and build friendships for a purpose of health, wholeness, and well-being at local community events including Body Brain Train Punchathon, Kiwanis Round Up Festival and the Simi Valley Street Fair.

8/23 – Grace Brethren High School Narcan Training: 20 Grace Brethren teachers participated in a Narcan education and awareness training on school campus to learn about how to effectively use Narcan in an emergency situation.

8/26 – 13 Souls Memorial 5K/10K/Half Marathon: AHSV collaborated with the 13 Souls Organization by participating in the event (700 in attendance) with an education and awareness booth focusing on healthy lifestyle and encouraging movement and activity. Engaged conversations with community members included heart health, medication difference awareness, service line specialties, and easy work-out programs that included resistance band giveaways.

8/29 - Stop the Bleed Training: AHSV participated in Stop the Bleed training. 12 community members were provided education training for City of Simi Valley disaster service workers who are part of a community-wide group that assist during emergencies or other disaster situations.

9/10 – Simi Valley Cops ‘N Cruisers: As part of our community outreach efforts, AHSV participated in the Simi Valley Explorers’ annual event that helps raise awareness and much needed funds for the Police Explorer program. AHSV staff hosted an educational booth that included Narcan awareness and training, Hands Only CPR training, Heart Health Education and Stroke Education. 57 Narcan kits were distributed to community members.

9/10/23 – Simi vs. Royal Football Game: Through our Athletic Training Program, Adventist Health Simi Valley collaborates with area school districts, providing experienced athletic trainers to local school sports teams. This partnership helps keep student athletes healthy and safe by preventing, reducing, and treating sports injuries. Our trainers also are involved with educating students and encouraging them to pursue healthcare-related careers. Throughout the school, 4,000 students can meet and receive care and education from the Athletic Trainer. AHSV supported the annual rivalry game with a VIP dinner for distinguished school guests and families. Handed out giveaways at game entrance area to 2,000 individuals in attendance.

9/16/23 – Moorpark College Football Community Night: The Moorpark College Athletics Community Night football game, sponsored by AHSV, highlights the importance of the student athletic training program and urgent care services available at the Moorpark Urgent Care facility.

10/11 AHSV Power of Pink Event AHSV hosted a community-wide event focusing on women’s health and breast cancer awareness. The event attracted more than 150 guests who experienced physician-led discussions and heard a cancer survivor story. Educational vendors were on site promoting health and wellness services. 21 guests participated in the Adventist Health Early All-Around Detection (AHEAD) genetic testing program and eight signed up for a clinic visitation. The Simi Valley community of more than 26,000 residents received the AHSV Inspire Magazine via mail that included a story with Jessica Haff, AHSV Associate and breast cancer survivor.

10/22 – American Heart Association and Bank of America “Walk with a Doc”: Dr. Sidhu, AHSV Cardiologist, participated and led a “Walk with a Doc” event for Bank of America employees engaging in discussions focusing on heart health, well-being, and self-care with 21 attendees.

10/27 – Samaritan Center CPR Training Class

AHSV and Samaritan Center collaboration efforts assist in providing resources and services for the homeless population in Simi Valley. AHSV hosted a CPR training class for their staff and volunteers.

10/23 – Crestview Elementary Healthy Living Week

Crestview Elementary celebrates Healthy Living Week focusing on well-being and eye and skin protection. As part of the celebration, AHSV donated reusable bags filled with chap sticks, hot/cold cow themed gel packs, and sunglasses to more than 280 K-5th grade students.

11/14 – Stop the Bleed Class: AHSV representatives conducted a free Stop the Bleed Class for 14 Simi Valley Police Department’s Chaplain and Volunteer groups. The class offers individuals various methods and techniques to help save a life before someone bleeds out.

2023 – AHSV Cafeteria New Food Options and Farmers Market: To address healthier food options at Adventist Health Simi Valley’s cafeteria, a new salad bar and deli station with fresh produce are available for employees, patients, and community members visiting the hospital. A new Adventist Health Simi Valley Farmers Market is in the development stage for community members to visit once a week that will promote healthier food options from local certified vendors in an outdoor space.

Media:

AHSV advocated for healthy student athletes by highlighting a “*Staying in the Game*” article in the summer edition of *Health Inspired*, a AHSV local community newsletter. The AHSV Athletic Training Program educates players and coaches on how to keep athletes healthy, preventable injury best practices, and the importance of taking care of their bodies. The article, which was distributed to 25,000 households, shares how a local high school baseball player recovered from a sports injury with the help from Darby White, Community Engagement Manager, who manages the high school athletic training program. In addition, the article includes tips on how to get ready for sports season and student back-to-school physical location/hours.

Adventist Health Simi Valley (AHSV) also assessed and promoted available community resources in 2023.

GOAL	Expand access to preventative care services to reduce the need for emergency visits in Ventura Count
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Strategy:	Develop and implement health equity conscious policies and programs to expand preventative care service availability and accessibility in Ventura County
Population Served:	Underserved populations including low-income, immigrant, migrant, refugee, LGBTQIA+, Latinx and Black/African American
Internal Partners:	Director of Community Well-Being, Clinical, SUN
External Partners:	VCCHIC partner organizations, Westminster Free Clinic, Soaring Spirits, Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce, For the Need Foundation, Simi Valley Police Department

Type of Strategy: Program/Activity/Tactic/Policy	Lead/Organization
<p>Implement policies and programs aimed at expanding and promoting access to culturally appropriate preventative care services among underserved populations in Ventura County.</p> <p>Activity 1: Develop a collaborative Population Health Management (PHM) strategy as the framework for Cal AIM implementation (high-level, data-driven, risk-stratified strategy for intended populations across the collaborative.</p> <p>Activity 2: Ensure Community Information Exchange (CIE) is integrated with Ventura County Health System electronic health records (EHR).</p>	<p>VCCHIC Founding Members, CIE Governance Board, Gold Coast Health Plan, First5 Ventura County, Westminster Clinic, Dignity Health, Ventura County Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) program, and Communities Lifting Communities as partners.</p>

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In 2023, Adventist Health Simi Valley (AHSV) worked to implement policies and programs aimed at expanding and promoting access to culturally appropriate preventative care services among underserved populations in Ventura County through building relationships, forming coalitions, and engaging with new partnerships in order to improve access to care.

AHSV is a founding member of the Ventura County Community Health Improvement Collaborative (VCCHIC).

VCCHIC and Communities Lifting Communities (CLC) entered into a 2-year collaboration agreement to develop a sustainable structure of the VCCHIC members and community partnerships for the long-term implementation of population health strategies from the 2022 CHNA & CHIS. CLC will serve as the backbone organization of a collective impact partnership with hospitals, local health department, community clinics, Medi-Cal Managed Care plan and CBO's.

As part of the VCCHIC collaborative, 2022-25 Community Health Needs Assessment booklets and AHSV's CHIS strategy reports were developed to use as a communication and education piece with community members and organizations demonstrating the healthy equity of Ventura County. In addition, a special VCCHIC presentation was done at a Simi Valley City Council meeting. 150 CHNA booklets and 100 CHIS booklets were distributed throughout the community when necessary.

5/6 - Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce Street Fair: As Ventura County's only Center of Excellence in robotic surgery distinction, AHSV proudly displayed three showbots - da Vinci, Mako and Globus, where physicians and clinical teams engaged with community members by providing a hands-on learning approach and education and awareness about advance robotic abilities for improved health outcomes. Associates engaged in thoughtful conversations about the importance of access to care services, mental health awareness including Narcan distribution of 26 kits, and healthy

living practices for improved health outcomes. The AHSV sponsored the Fun Zone for kids and families to interact and participate in free active play to socialize, increase physical movement, and build friendships for a purpose of health, wholeness, and well-being.

8/1 National Night Out - SVPD: AHSV participated in the Simi Valley Police Department National Night Out, an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and neighborhood safety for a more caring place to live. AHSV' outreach and education booth included Narcan Education and Awareness training, Hands-On CPR training, and urgent care services. 2,000 community members were in attendance, 32 individuals received Hands Only CPR training and 36 Narcan kits were distributed.

8/22 – Athletic Trainer Program – EMS Education: In collaboration with Ventura County Fire Department Station 41, AHSV team conducted an education session to facilitate collaboration with the AT Program and EMS responders. Reviewed current AT policy and procedures, including Scope of Practice. 13 individuals were in attendance.

9/11 – City of Simi Valley City Council Meeting: Since 1965, Adventist Health Simi Valley (AHSV) has been a mainstay in Simi Valley by providing essential health care services to the communities it serves. AHSV appreciated the support of the community during the COVID-19 pandemic and wanted to give back by creating a video summarizing the hospital and associates experience. Jennifer Swenson, President and CEO, made a special presentation at the City of Simi Valley City Council meeting to council members, city staff and the Simi Valley community.

The below video link illustrates how AHSV is continuing its partnership and collaborative efforts with community organizations including Ventura County Public Health, Simi Valley Unified School District, and local agencies. The video is posted on the City of Simi Valley's website under the City Council meeting/agenda section and on their You Tube channel for the community to view at their convenience.

[City Council Meeting AHSV Presentation 09/11/2023](#)

10/3 – Moorpark College Fair: Approximately 60 college students visited the AHSV booth at the Moorpark College Fair and the Substance Use Navigator (SUN) was on site to offer opioid education and awareness including distribution of 20 Narcan kits.

10/7 – Moorpark Country Days: AHSV proudly participated in the annual community event. AHSV's education and awareness booth included associates who engaged in thoughtful conversations celebrating Breast Cancer Awareness Month, women's health and wellness, Moorpark Urgent Care, AHSV services, and healthy living practices for improved health outcomes. AHSV sponsored the Fun Zone for Kids and families to interact and participate in free active play to socialize, increase physical movement and build friendships for a purpose of health, wholeness and well-being. More than 9, 000 community members were in attendance.

10/28 - Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce Street Fair: AHSV proudly participated in the bi-annual community-wide Street Fair with more than 22,000 community members in attendance. Associates engaged in thoughtful conversations about the importance of the Nancy Reagan Breast Center's mammogram services and cancer screenings, access to care services, mental health awareness including Narcan distribution of twenty-six kits, and healthy living practices for improved health outcomes. The AHSV sponsored the Fun Zone for kids and families to interact and participate in free active play to socialize, increase physical movement, and build friendships for a purpose of health, wholeness and well-being.

11/13 – City of Simi Valley Council Meeting: Seleta Dobrosky, Director of Public Health Nursing (County of Ventura) and Epidemiologist Mohnisha Jit representing CLC made an informative presentation to the City Council about the VCCHIC 2022 – 2025 CHNA. CLC provided history, data, and summarized goals of the VCCHIC and CHNA. CHNA/CHIS booklets were distributed to council, city staff and made available to community members in attendance. City Council meeting streamed online for at home viewers.

12/1 – City Focus Newsletter: City of Simi Valley’s community newsletter highlighted the VCCHIC presentation for easy viewing access.

12/6 – City of Moorpark City Council Meeting: Since 1965, AHSV has been a mainstay in Simi Valley by providing essential health care services to the communities it serves including Moorpark, the adjacent community. AHSV appreciated the support of the community during the COVID-19 pandemic and wanted to give back by creating a video summarizing the hospital and associates experience. Jennifer Swenson, president, made a special presentation at the City of Moorpark City Council meeting to council members, city staff and the Moorpark community. The video illustrates how AHSV is continuing its partnership and collaborative efforts with community organizations including Ventura County Public Health, Moorpark Unified School District, and local agencies. The video is posted on the City of Moorpark’s website under the City Council meeting/agenda section for the community to view at their convenience.

The VCCIE Committee is developing the framework of a Ventura County-wide Communication Information System (CIE), and is the process of hiring a Community Hub Director to lead the CIE program and in the selection process of a Technology Vendor to support the CIE. In 2023, Adventist Health Simi Valley continued to develop the framework and collaboration with external partners (VCCHIC/VCCIE) to create the first Ventura County Community Information Exchange (CIE) through the evaluation of potential technology vendors that have the capability to connect to health systems electronic health records.

Grant: For the Need Foundation: AHSV partnered with For the Need Foundation and awarded grant funding to provide essential and basic hygiene products to 150 middle school students who are identified as homeless or at risk of being homeless at the start of the 2023-24 school year. This is a pilot program and based on the results which could expand to other community middles schools within Simi Valley next year.

Through a capacity building relationship, AHSV and Soaring Spirits International Simi Valley collaborated and entered into a one-year MOU Agreement to provide grief support resources for the widowed community including widowed packets, peer support, two workshops, mentoring, and training.

In 2023, Westminster Free Clinic Grant (WFC) and AHSV entered into a 3-year agreement beginning January 1, 2024, to support the Corazones Sanos “Healthy Hearts” Program. WFC helps to advance the health and wellness of Ventura County’s low-income uninsured and underinsured population by offering early access to free healthcare and preventing and improving chronic health conditions.

Adventist Health Simi Valley In the NEWS:



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Community Health Financial Assistance for Medically Necessary Care Commitment

Adventist Health understands that community members may experience barriers in paying for the care they need. That is why we are committed to providing financial assistance to those who may need support in paying their medical expense(s).

Community members can find out if they qualify for financial aid in paying medical bills by completing a financial assistance application. Applications can be filled out at the time care is received or after the bill has been administered. To access the financial assistance policy for more information or contact a financial assistant counselor, please visit us at: [Adventist Health - Help Paying Your Bill](#).



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