Elevance Health Foundation
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Elevance Health’s Community Health Strategy is centered on health equity.

Elevance Health’s Community Health Strategy aims to address the health and health-related social needs of our associates, members, and broader local communities through data and evidence-based interventions so that we are part of the solution for health equity.
Community Health Strategy: Two Pathways to Help Achieve our Goals

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We continue our commitment in the communities we serve, revisiting strategy and dedicating *priority focus* on:
- Maternal health
- Food as medicine (while also addressing chronic diseases)
- Substance use disorder
- Disaster Relief

**Elevance Health Inc. Community Health**

We will accomplish our CH goals through a combined effort of taking care of our associates and members by identifying and addressing both *clinical and social drivers* within our community
- Healthiest House Account
- Social impact investing
- Social responsibility fund
- Local business ground game

**Broader Communities and Populations**

**Members and Associates**
Our Commitments

The Elevance Health Foundation strives to improve the health of humanity by addressing health inequalities and strengthening our communities in America. Our recently refined strategy underscores this commitment by focusing on strategic partnerships and programs that aid the health of the socially vulnerable.

- Improving Maternal Health
- Reducing Substance Use Disorder
- Encouraging Food as Medicine
- Providing Disaster Relief

Up to $90M
Committed from 2022 to 2024 by the Foundation
Encouraging Food as Medicine

Over the next three years, the Elevance Health Foundation will invest up to $30 million to support programs that address food insecurity by helping individuals reach optimal health through good nutrition.
Since launching the RFP, Elevance Health Foundation has approved $22.8M to support 21 organizations/programs working to advance equity in maternal health care. Specifically:

1. Reduce the number of food-insecure individuals

2. Reduce the prevalence of chronic conditions among the food insecure

3. Create more access to nutritious food by increasing affordable, healthy food options for food-insecure populations

4. Prevent the onset of diet-related health conditions
Patients Are Screened for Food Insecurity

Food Insecure patients are referred to food bank’s FAM 3 programming

Elevance Health collects healthcare utilization (e.g., ER use and admissions) and health status (e.g., BMI, A1C, blood pressure) from its members. Food Bank/Healthcare Partner grantees collect intervention data (process/reach measures). Evaluation partner collects self-report data from participants.

Evaluation

Feeding America’s 3rd party evaluator synthesizes data to illustrate improved health outcomes as measured by:
- Healthcare utilization (e.g., ER use and admissions)
- Health status (e.g., BMI, A1C, blood pressure)
- Subjective measures of health (e.g., healthy days, Quality of Life Scale (QOLS), Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)).
Not every neighborhood has plentiful, affordable, nutritious food choices nearby; adjusting for these “food deserts” is part of our strategy to address the whole health of the communities and people we serve.

More than 20% of Indianapolis is considered a food desert with most local grocery stores having closed over the last 40 years. Elevance Health Foundation is helping to address food access in the area through a grant to Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) to support the Equitable Food Access in Indianapolis Neighborhoods initiative. This three-year, $2.45 million grant brings together residents, community leaders, experts, and civic organizations to develop achievable strategies for equitable food access.

“There’s more to being healthy than doctors’ visits and medicine,” says Elevance Health Chief Health Officer Shantanu Agrawal, M.D. “As we continue to address the social drivers of health, improving access to nutritious food is one of our highest priorities.”
Elevance Health Volunteer Days

- Partnership with Lions Club International Foundation for company-wide season of service
- Projects occur September & October
- Focus on food insecurity
- More than 100 planned projects across 30+ markets
- Goals:
  - 500,000 pounds of food sorted, packed, and distributed
  - 15,000 volunteer hours
  - 1,500 volunteers