



# CLARK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

## STRATEGIC PLAN

2018 – 2025

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### Vision

Active, resilient and healthy families and people of all ages, abilities, and cultures living, learning, working, and playing in thriving communities.

### Mission

We collaborate with partners to protect and improve the health of and the environment for all people in Clark County. Together we:

- *Prevent* disease and injury
- *Promote* healthier choices
- *Protect* food, water, soil, and air
- *Prepare* for and *respond* to emergencies.

### Our Values:

- **Communication.** We identify, analyze and distribute information essential to our policymakers, partners and the community.
- **Prevention and promotion.** We implement strategies that prevent disease and promote healthy living in healthy environments that lead to long term benefits for everyone.
- **Collaboration.** We engage in community partnerships that produce well-supported and cost-effective health outcomes by bringing people, resources, and organizations together.
- **Data-driven, evidence-based strategies.** We support effective public health interventions that depend on the best available research and information.
- **Social justice and diversity.** We recognize that in a healthy community, everyone's health matters equally and that services and opportunities for health must be accessible, affordable, and appropriate for all.
- **Customer service and accountability.** As vigilant stewards of the public's trust, we are responsive and accountable to the community's needs.
- **Skilled, innovative, diverse workforce.** We recognize that a well-trained, dedicated, creative and diverse workforce is the foundation of our ability to assess and address the health of our community.
- **Sustainability.** We recognize policy, systems and environmental interventions are essential in creating and sustaining improvements in community health and resilience.
- **Protecting the natural environment.** We recognize the natural environment is our life support system. Protecting the soil, water, and air is critical to the health and resiliency of our community.



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## **Through partnerships we will influence the conditions that promote good health for everyone**

**because good health occurs when family and community environments provide all of us the opportunity for a healthy start and healthy choices where we live, learn, work and play. In collaboration with our partners we aspire to:**

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### **Priority: Ensure everyone has opportunities for healthy living**

#### **Goals:**

- Prevent and mitigate chronic diseases
- Facilitate and support policies that address social, economic, and environmental causes of health
- Reduce health disparities
- Promote strategies that support healthy behaviors

### **Priority: Ensure public safety, healthy environments and community resilience**

#### **Goals:**

- Protect natural resources
- Prevent and control communicable diseases
- Strengthen the community's ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health and environmental hazards and disasters
- Support social networks that promote safe and healthy environments

### **Priority: Ensure every child has a healthy start**

#### **Goals:**

- Promote availability, accessibility and awareness of interventions that support childhood development
- Educate and support families, caregivers and providers on prevention strategies that promote health and address health risks
- Promote interventions and policies that prevent and mitigate the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

### **Priority: Ensure the community health system addresses prevention, equity, and the social determinants of health**

#### **Goals:**

- Inform policymakers, community partners and the public about the impact of social determinants on health risks and outcomes
- Promote policies and practices within the health system that support prevention and reduce health disparities
- Assist the community in accessing resources that improve physical and behavioral health

### **Priority: Demonstrate excellence in public health practice and management**

#### **Goals:**

- Ensure a supportive work environment and competent workforce
- Maintain an operational infrastructure that is innovative and supports public health functions
- Collect and analyze current and diverse data that provides community health information to support decision-making
- Maintain a performance management system that supports quality, efficiency and accountability