# Better Together: Partnering to Address the Social Determinants of Health

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#### **Social Determinants of Health**



#### **Definition**

- Are conditions in the environment in which people are:
  - Born
  - Live
  - Learn
  - Work
  - Play
  - Worship
  - Age

#### **Definition**

- That affect a wide range of
  - -Health
  - -Functioning
  - -Quality of life outcomes and risks

# Resources that Enhance Quality of Life

- · Safe and affordable housing
- · Access to education
- · Public safety
- · Availability of healthy foods
- · Local emergency / health services
- Environments free of life-threatening toxins

#### **Social Determinants**

- Availability of resources to meet daily needs
- Access to educational, economic, and job opportunities quality of education
- Social norms and attitudes- discrimination, racism, and distrust of government
- Transportation options
- · Language / literacy
- Culture

### **Physical Determinants**

- Natural environment
  - -green space: trees and grass
  - -Weather: climate change
- Built environment
  - Buildings, sidewalks, bike lanes, and roads
- Physical barriers

## **Physical Determinants**

- Worksites, schools, and recreational settings
- Aesthetic elements
  - -Good lightning, trees, benches

# **Economic Stability**

- Employment
- Food insecurity
- Housing stability
- Poverty

#### **Education**

- Early childhood education and development
- Enrollment in higher education
- · High school graduation
- Language and literacy

### **Social and Community Context**

- Civic participation
- Discrimination
- Incarceration
- Social cohesion

#### **Health and Health Care**

- · Access to health care
- Access to primary care
- Health literacy

#### Neighborhood and Built Environment

- Access to foods that support healthy eating
- · Crime and violence
- Environmental conditions
- · Quality of housing

# Utilizing Resources to Address SDOH

- Partners / Coalitions
- Resource Directory
- Assessments
  - -Community
  - -Health impact
  - -Socio-demographics

# **Putting the Pieces Together**



# **QUESTIONS?**

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