



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Social Determinants of Health Strategy

September 2022

**SAVE THE DATE!**

2023 Social Determinants of Health Summit

**A CALL TO ACTION**

January 24-26, 2023  
VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

For more information, please visit [www.Michigan.gov/SDOH](http://www.Michigan.gov/SDOH)



## Save the Date for the SDOH Summit

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Division of Policy and Planning is excited to host the Social Determinants of Health Summit. The goal of the conference is to connect with all State of Michigan Departments and external partners to address important topics focused on the Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) initiatives. Michigan's Roadmap to Healthy Communities, takes a focused approach to align efforts at the state and local level for a greater impact in communities.

**Phase 2** of Michigan's Roadmap to Healthy Communities will launch at the Summit. In Phase 2 of the SDOH Strategy, we are exploring:

- Community health worker expansion and alignment to support health equity.
- Community information exchange to maximize a person-centered approach that incorporates social care information, promoting streamlined access to health enhancing, non-clinical services (e.g., social services and supports), helping to coordinate care across a variety of

## We want your input!

Please fill out the following survey by Friday, September 23 to share feedback about the SDOH Strategy and ways we can support future engagement and implementation efforts:

[SDOH Strategy Survey](#)

## Important Dates

- Wednesday, September 28, 2022  
[White House Summit on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health](#)
- Tuesday, October 11, 2022 1:30-3:00 PM  
**MDHHS SDOH Partner Convening- SDOH Accelerator Plan for Chronic Disease**  
[Click Here to Register](#)

## Stay Engaged with the MDHHS SDOH Strategy

For more information about the SDOH Strategy and additional resources, please visit [Michigan.gov/SDOH](http://Michigan.gov/SDOH).

clinical and non-clinical partners, and using data on existing community resources, needs, and gaps to drive policy change.

- Bridging our food security, housing stability, and built environment efforts to develop a SDOH Accelerator Plan for Chronic Disease.

The SDOH Summit will be held virtually on January 24-26, 2023 from 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM each day. More details, including presenter applications, agenda, and registration will be included in future newsletters and on the SDOH Website: [Michigan.gov/SDOH](https://Michigan.gov/SDOH).

If you have additional feedback regarding the SDOH Strategy, or if you'd like your organization to be highlighted in future issues, please send us a message at [MDHHS-SDOH-PolicyandPlanning@michigan.gov](mailto:MDHHS-SDOH-PolicyandPlanning@michigan.gov)

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## Downloads

- [Full SDOH Strategy](#)
- [Overview of SDOH Strategy](#)

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## August Partner Meeting: Advancing Health Equity with Community Health Workers

On Tuesday August 9th, 2022 the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Policy and Planning team hosted a partner meeting titled: Advancing Health Equity with Community Health Workers. More than 100 people representing organizations that lead and support Health Equity, Community Health Workers (CHWs) and/or related work contributed to the meeting.

Participants were provided a SDOH Strategy Phase I update, and an overview of what to expect in Phase 2, including a focus on Health Equity and aligning and expanding CHW related efforts. Our partners from MiCHWA (Michigan Community Health Worker Alliance) presented on their important work, and collaborative projects with MDHHS. Participants were asked to join one of three breakout sessions, where each group shared their feedback on key findings from an environmental scan report on CHW related efforts.

### [Click here to watch the webinar](#)

[Feedback from each breakout session was captured and compiled.](#) Input will be synthesized and incorporated into the overarching Strategy.

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# Documented Potential Benefits of CHW Programs



Source: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services [On the Front Lines of Health Equity: Community Health Workers \(cms.gov\)](https://www.cms.gov)



MDHHS has partnered with MiCHWA on Community Health Workers (CHW) Workforce Development. In Phase II of the SDOH Strategy we are ramping up our CHW related efforts to further promote Health Equity. CHWs are a huge asset to the SDOH Strategy because they help members in their community navigate health care systems and connect them with a wide range of services. This can result in a number of benefits, as shown in the graphic above.

In order to align and expand CHW efforts across the state, the SDOH team is convening a CHW Subcommittee this fall. Feedback from a wide range of diverse stakeholders is needed to help guide the priorities.

Please provide your guidance by reviewing the draft for the [CHW Subcommittee Charter](#) and participating in the [CHW Subcommittee survey](#).



## Notice of Funding Opportunity

MDHHS and The Salvation Army Great Lakes Division are announcing an application for funding for homeless shelter facilities to reimburse for structural repairs and replacements. These projects must focus on structural enhancements that will improve the health and safety of the guests experiencing homelessness served in emergency shelter. This is one time funding.

- A total of \$10 million is available statewide.
- Individual awards may range from \$75,000-\$500,000.
- Please submit only one application per agency; you may request repairs at multiple sites.
- MDHHS Housing and Homeless Services is collaborating with MSHDA and the MDHHS Bureau of Community Action and Economic Opportunity (BCAEO) to ensure projects do

not duplicate HOME-ARP and Weatherization funding opportunities.

- Funds may not be used for the construction of new buildings.
- Domestic violence shelters are not eligible for funding at this time.

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 5 PM OCTOBER 7, 2022**

**A webinar will be held on September 21, 2022 at 1 pm to walk through the application and answer questions.**

**[Click Here to Register](#)**

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.