

## Because everyone deserves access to better health

As a leader in community health, CHP strives to be a place for advancing difficult conversations that result in better health outcomes; for bringing the best data to inform decisions; and for speaking with one voice to catalyze a new era of physical, mental, and social well-being in the Pikes Peak region.

This year, CHP launched a new strategic plan to drive viable solutions to the Pikes Peak region's most significant health challenges. This report outlines some of our accomplishments.

More information can be found at [ppchp.org](http://ppchp.org).

### MISSION

CHP exists to improve the health of the Pikes Peak region.

### VISION

By 2028 CHP will pioneer a process of collaborative leadership that results in measurable improvement in health outcomes.

Our future state: CHP has led breakthrough collaboration. Influencers and thought leaders have come together to find viable solutions to our community's most significant health challenges. Action and accountability emerge from those gathered at the table. Our approach as a unifier has enabled stakeholders to consider more than individual interests and to commit to the common good. Together we have forged synergies to usher in a new era of physical, mental and social wellbeing. As a result, people who live here are healthier.



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# Access to Care

According to the Colorado Health Institute, approximately 5.6% of the population in El Paso County is uninsured – more than 40,000 residents. The cost of health care is an increasing concern for Coloradans. Nearly one in five residents (18.1 percent) said they had problems paying medical bills in the past year.



Coordinated Access to Community Health is a network of independent safety net clinics offering free and low-cost care to low-income residents.

Since 2006, CHP has supported the CATCH network by soliciting donated medical services on behalf of clinics, providing care coordination for patients with complex needs, and offering training to clinical staff.

**40K** Estimated number of people uninsured in El Paso County

**14K** Visits in free and charitable clinics

**726** Referrals to CATCH services

**\$316K** Donated services

**167** Patients receiving care coordination

# Homelessness



CHP provides planning, administrative, and data services for the Pikes Peak Continuum of Care to build an effective system of care for people experiencing homelessness. In 2019, CHP worked with the Colorado HMIS Collaborative, made up of all three CoCs in Colorado, to implement a statewide Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). With a statewide HMIS, our community will benefit from actionable statewide data, statewide care coordination, shared training, and a clear message that Colorado is committed to ending homelessness.

**\$2.4M** CoC coordinated funding

**431** Households moved into housing

**31K+** Unique clients in HMIS

**5K+** Homeless served in system

**1562** Point in time count of homeless individuals

# Substance Use

In 2016, CHP convened the Coalition for Prevention, Addiction Education and Recovery (CPAR) to address a record high number of opioid related overdoses. That year, El Paso County led the state in the number of overdoses – 141. Today, CHP provides backbone support to this coalition made up of **129 members** representing **59 agencies**, as they engage in community-centered planning to address the opioid epidemic and other substance use issues.

## Overdose deaths 2018

**133** Deaths in El Paso County

**78** Opioid related deaths

**44** Average age of decedent

**73%** Were white male (97 of 133)

**67**

Health care providers were trained in MAT/became MAT waived providers in 2019. That's an increase from 11 in 2017.

## CPAR Activities

- ➔ Listening Forum - 5 speakers, 5 panelists, and 60 community members shared stories on the impact of addiction and advocated for community response
- ➔ Evidence-based Provider Education
  - ✓ Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
  - ✓ Substance Use during Pregnancy
  - ✓ Opioid Tapering and Introduction to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- ➔ Educational Presentations:
  - ✓ Head Start Health Services Advisory Committee
  - ✓ Impact of the Opioid Crisis on the Elderly
  - ✓ Outreach to local high schools
  - ✓ Emerging Strategies to Address the Opioid Crisis - harm reduction education and Narcan training (to reverse an overdose) provided to over 100 participants.

## PROJECT DETOUR

With funding from the BUILD Health Challenge and Penrose-St. Francis/Centura Health, CHP partnered with Homeward Pikes Peak to pilot a new sober living community for women just leaving jail through Recovery Court and fighting addiction. The highly structured, 24-hour staff facility paired strict curfews and mandatory treatment classes with safety, community, and independence its residents needed to find work and develop healthy, long-term habits.

Project Detour is now a permanent program of Homeward Pikes Peak.

**22** women entered the program

**16** were moms

**10** reunited with their children at the end of the program

*Out of the 22 women who entered the program, only one returned to jail.*

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2019 continued to be a transitional year for CHP as we wrapped up final contract commitments with the State of Colorado Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF). For the next three years, we will rely on internal investment by CHP to support our new strategy and build momentum to attract grants, contracts, and private investment that will complement our investment in projects.

