

# DESERT MISSION



#### HISTORY A LEGACY OF CARING

Since the 1900s, Desert Mission has demonstrated genuine care for the **health** and **social needs** of our community:

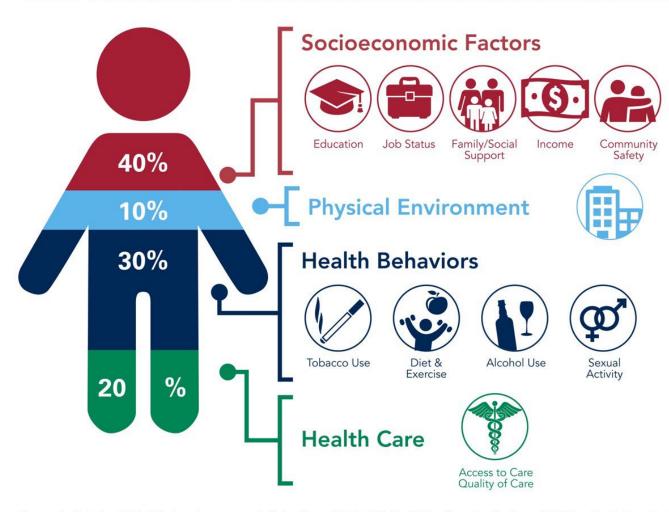
- Lincoln Learning Center
- Adult Day Health Care
- Food Bank
- Living Well (Aug. 2022)





#### **IMPACT OF SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH**

Social determinants of health have tremendous affect on an individual's health regardless of age, race, or ethnicity.



#### **➤** SDoH Impact

- 20% of a person's health and well-being is related to access to care and quality of services
- The physical environment, social determinants and behavioral factors drive 80% of health outcomes



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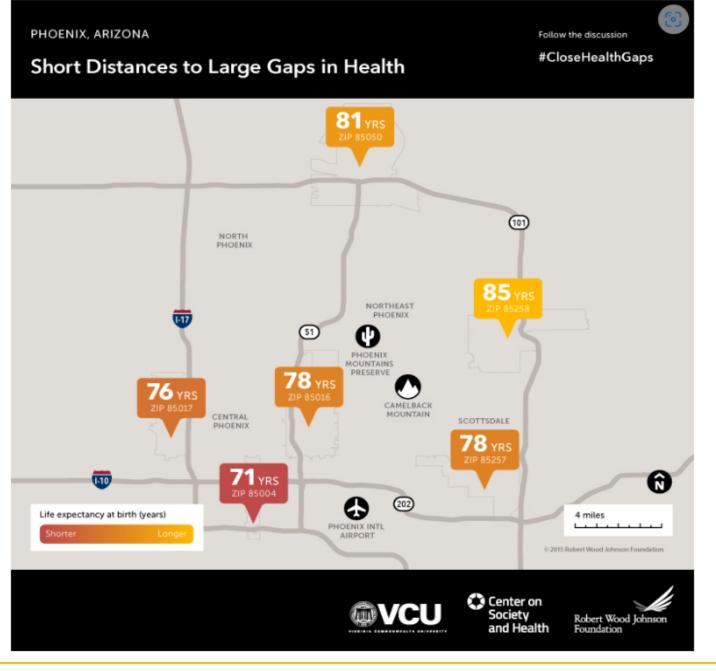
Source: Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement; Going Beyond Clinical Walls: Solving Complex Problems, 2014 Graphic designed by ProMedica.

"Your mortality and your health outcomes are determined more by your <u>ZIP CODE</u> than by your genetic code or the quality of your health care"

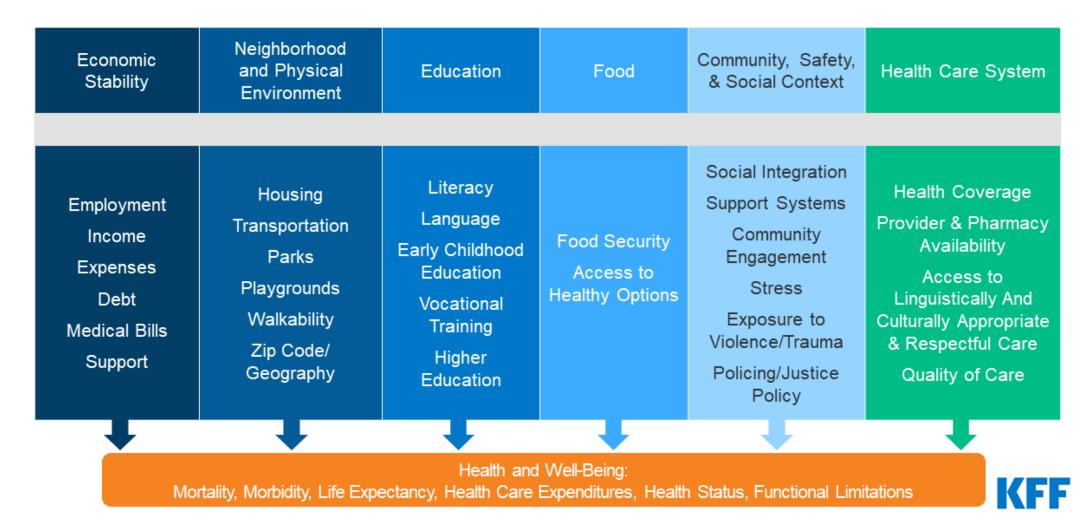
-Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Hospital-based Strategies for Creating a

Culture of Health



#### Social Determinants of Health



#### LINCOLN LEARNING CENTER

Lincoln Learning Center is a recognized leader in our industry with a waitlist of 130+ students. Supports children's early learning, life skill development and school readiness.

Provides parents <u>access</u>
to resources and the
knowledge to support
their child's development
and learning.

One of 42 accredited by the **NAEYC**, and First Things First **5-star** quality rating.



Kindergarten Readiness: 98% at LLC vs. 50% Arizona







### LINCOLN LEARNING CENTER EDUCATION

- Scholarship assistance through the Foundation & Department of Economic Security (quality education for all)
- Infant and toddler programs
- Preschool and pre-kindergarten classes
- Developmental screenings
- Garden, field trips & opportunities for active play & hands-on exploration (learn by doing)
- Intergenerational activities with seniors

#### **ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE**

#### What is ADHC?

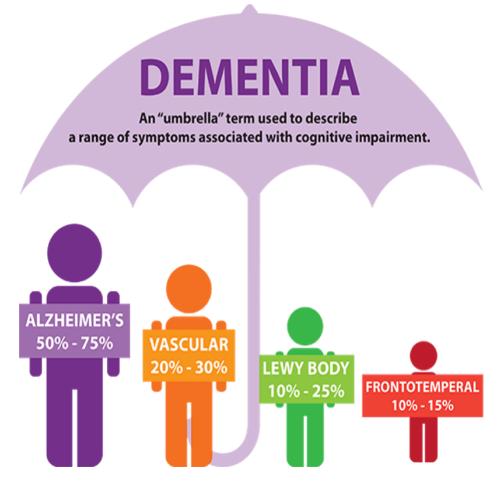
- Transition services for dependent adults. The only ADHC in Phoenix!
- Social, cognitive, and enrichment activities
- Certified caregivers and dementia practitioners on staff
- Nutritious meals prepared (breakfast, lunch, and snack)

#### Who do we serve?

- Dependent adults (members) who cannot be home alone safely
- 94-96% of members are experiencing dementia
- Caregiver respite and support group
- 25 % Veterans
- Oldest Member 102
- 84% Financial Assistance/Scholarships

#### Why?

- In 2023 it was estimated over 150,000 would be diagnosed with dementia
- By 2025, it is anticipated 200,000 Arizonians will be diagnosed
- Comorbidities and social isolation
- Social Determinants of Health; Longevity











## ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE

#### **Nursing & Personal Care**

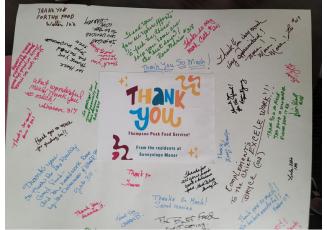
- Nursing care provided by a registered nurse
  - Medications, wound care
  - Health education
- ADL's by certified caregivers
  - Blood Pressure checks
  - Vital Signs

#### **DESERT MISSION FOOD BANK**

- Who do we serve?
- How do we serve them?
  - Front & back door programs & events
  - Emergency (^21%) & Senior Food Programs (^48%)
  - Baby Bag Program
  - Food as Medicine Programs
  - Employee & School Pantries
  - Farm Stand
  - Snack Packs (~1,000/month)
  - Nutrition Policy & Education
  - Community Gardens
- A rising need...
  - 2024 Jan "Slow Month": 236,544 lbs
  - 2023 Nov Highest: 235,144 lbs
  - 200+ households/day
  - Trucks, supplies + costs ^









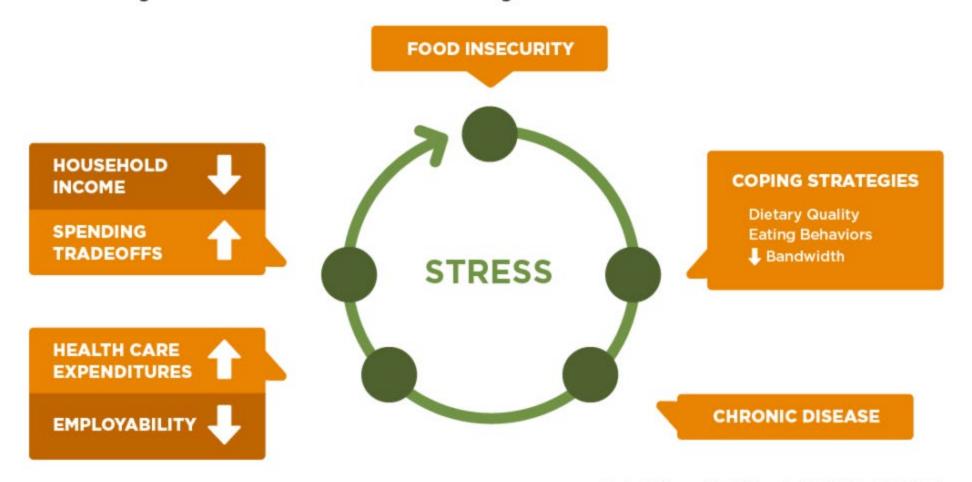




# INNOVATION & OPPORTUNITY

- Innovation has come about simply due to funding opportunities! In 2023...
  - Senior Meals at Sunnyslope Manor (5,040 meals to 45 seniors for 16 weeks)
  - JCL Employee Pantry (20 employees/week)
  - Ocotillo School Pantry (150 households/month)
  - Desert View Garden (K-5 School, learn by doing)
- Other than meeting people where they are, how else can we address SDOH?

#### A Conceptual Framework: Cycle of Food Insecurity & Chronic Disease

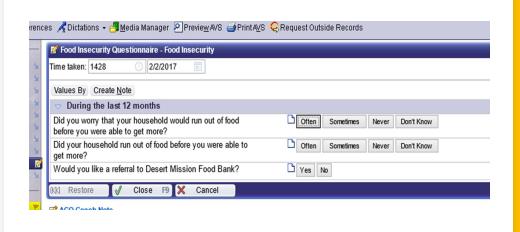


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#### LIVING WELL

#### **Empowerment and Resource Navigation:**

- Financial Coaching: Community and Employee
- Public benefits (SNAP food stamps, AHCCCS medical insurance, TANF cash assistance)
- Emergency assistance
- Low-cost medical, dental, and mental health options
- Housing counseling (home rental, fair housing, landlord-tenant issues, etc.)
- Trauma-Informed Approach
- Closed Loop Referral System
- Community Partnerships







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# ANNUAL PROGRAMS & POPULAR COMMUNITY EVENTS











### HEART OF SUNNYSLOPE

- Takes place in February
- In partnership with Maricopa County Department of Public Health
- Fun, family-friendly event that offers free or low-cost resources to enhance health & well-being.
- Free health screenings for adults
- Complimentary produce bags
- Music, entertainment, kids' activities

### BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

#### Annual Back to School Drive

- Takes place each summer around June
- Will be looking for HH champions at each hospital location
- HonorHealth hospitals, corporations, local businesses and community members love to participate
- In 2023, Desert Mission distributed a total of 1,426 backpacks!
- Desert Mission provides backpacks not only to children at the food bank and Lincoln Learning Center but also to community partners like the Washington Elementary School District, NOAH, WRIC, etc.









# TURKEY DRIVE & DISTRIBUTION







- Distribution day is the Saturday before Thanksgiving
- Thanksgiving groceries distributed to our community members in need
- Households served: 1,400+ annually
- Huge involvement (production, volunteering, donations) from HonorHealth employees!



- Takes place in December
- In 2023, 191 total families were adopted by 117 generous donors!
- 53% of our family adopters were HonorHealth employees and department teams
- Many HonorHealth employees and departments participated as donors and volunteers for fun teambuilding over the holidays





### PREPARING FOR THE NEEDS OF TOMORROW

Being resilient also means preparing to meet any new and emerging challenges that may come our way in the future. At Desert Mission, we're focused on addressing the social determinants of health within our community, including:





Early care and childhood education







Resources to help with rising rents and housing costs



Care for aging adults



Food deliveries to seniors



Help with job searches and interviews

#### **WAYS TO GET INVOLVED**

- Spread the word!
- Donations help to support our programs
- ♥ Volunteer or arrange a team-building activity by volunteering as a group
- Hold a food/supply drive in your department
- Ambassador & special event opportunities



**QUESTIONS?** 

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