



## SHARED PURPOSE ACROSS OUR FAMILY OF ORGANIZATIONS

At Providence St. Joseph Health, we are committed to improving community health through purposeful investments and partnerships across all seven states we serve. Called by our **Mission** and driven by our belief that **Health is a Human Right**, we are steadfast in serving all within our communities, especially the poor and vulnerable.

In practice, we work in close partnership with local organizations to address our communities' most pressing needs. We bolster the work of our partners as change makers by leveraging our resources to collaboratively develop innovative ways to promote health and community engagement. Through partnerships we can improve the health of our nation and achieve our goal of Health for a Better World.

### COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT DRIVE OUR INVESTMENTS

Our Community Health Needs Assessments guide PSJH's strategic investments and partnerships to best serve each community's respective needs. The greatest opportunities in our communities can be grouped into these categories:

- **Social Determinants of Health** - Empowering our communities by partnering with programs to address housing insecurity and homelessness, food insecurity, social isolation, and education
- **Mental Health and Substance Use** - Determining root causes, as well as early treatment to help address a national epidemic
- **Access to Services, especially for the poor and vulnerable** - Clinics, telehealth, ambulatory services and other new ways to make healthcare more accessible and affordable
- **Chronic Diseases** - Providing education on nutrition and preventative self-care to improve health and ensure ongoing connection to health and social services
- **Innovation and Technology** - Utilizing technology in innovative ways to serve the poor and vulnerable



For generations, Providence St. Joseph Health has partnered with people of goodwill to offer a caring hand of compassion. We work closely with social service and government agencies, charitable foundations, community and faith-based organizations, universities and many other partners to identify the greatest needs through community health needs assessments. In response to these assessments, we develop community health improvement plans, and ultimately accompany our recommendations with continued investments.

*"Community Health Investment is foundational to both the Mission and the infrastructure of PSJH. We are re-thinking our investments into our communities to ensure that we are making a long-term impact in collaboration with our partners. Although our hope is to inspire people nationally with our investment model, community investments are exactly that: support for our regional local partners who help improve community conditions that improve the health of our communities where our Providence St. Joseph healthcare systems are centered."*

*- Dora Barilla, GVP - Community Health Investment*

## PSJH TRULY CARES ABOUT ITS COMMUNITY

While Medicaid support is a vital part of our Community Benefit investments, it is only a part of the overall story. In addition to research, subsidized health services, and other programs, PSJH invests in non-profit partner programs in the community who are improving social determinants that affect health. Through the utilization of our community health needs assessment and data analysis, we ensure our **\$1.6 billion in investments** has robust accountability and is aligned with our Mission, Values and Vision of Health for a Better World.



Community health improvement and strategic partnerships

**\$125.4 MILLION**



Health professions education and research

**\$146.2 MILLION**



Subsidized health services

**\$82 MILLION**



Free and discounted care for the uninsured and underinsured

**\$303.3 MILLION**



Unpaid cost of Medicaid and other means-tested government programs

**\$932.4 MILLION**

**Total benefit to our communities in 2018**

## OUR SHARED VALUES IN ACTION

### The Housing Instability and Homelessness Initiative

The Sisters of Providence and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange recognized the relationship between housing and health early on. Serving those who experience homelessness has been part of their ministry since their earliest days. Research proves that chronic homelessness is a major barrier to health in every community we serve, which is why we're committed to partnering with others to invest in affordable housing solutions for those who would otherwise be unsheltered.

In May of 2019, Providence St. Joseph Health, Swedish and Premera Blue Cross each committed \$5 million – \$15 million total – to Plymouth Housing, the largest provider of supportive housing in the City of Seattle, which has the third highest rate of homelessness in the U.S. This gift will support the development of three new apartment buildings that will serve 300 seniors and veterans. Plymouth Housing has a proven track record for success: ninety-three percent of Plymouth's clients remain permanently housed. Plymouth has also demonstrated that by giving seniors and veterans who live in tents a permanent affordable place to live, their health improves and the health

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