HENRY COUNTY COMMUNITY QUESTIONS

Community Questions



Purpose

Community questions assessment is a qualitative tool to gain valuable insight into the community. Community questioning is asking questions that are broad enough to engage your audience but specific enough to get their opinions on key topics. Engaging the community at events such as fairs or other purposeful gatherings allow to collect a sample of information from a broad audience.

Methodology

Henry County Health Partners chose two different methods.

In 2021, during the Henry County Fair, those who engaged with the Henry County Health Department Fair Booth played a game for a prize. The result of the game directed them to answer a question(s) on a specific topic. Questions were provided on paper and answers were handwritten anonymously and put in a bin for later review. The questions asked were related to Henry County Health Partner strategic work to improve the health in Henry County.

In 2022, questions were asked at three different events in which Henry County residents were gathered; the Henry County Senior Health Fair, Henry County Fair, and Farmworker Appreciation Day. The question asked varied by event. Those questioned received the question on paper and the answers were confidential.

Key Findings

2021 Henry County Fair

The total responses were unique to each question as described in the methodology.

What inspires you to make health choices? 30 respondents

- Family 57%
- Feel Better 33%
- Live longer 27%

Do you have a primary health care provider (physician, doctor, nurse practitioner etc.)? Yes or No 30 respondents

- Yes 96%
- No 4%

If you needed to go to the hospital, where would you prefer to go? 47 respondents

- Henry County Hospital 28%
- Fulton County Health Center 15%
- Toledo hospitals 13%
- Defiance Hospitals 13%

Do you have someone in your immediate family who struggles with drug addiction? 57 respondents

- No 81%
- Yes 19%
 - o **How does this affect you?** Loss of income, worry, pray a lot.

In the past year, did you need mental health care and not receive it? 61 respondents

- No 85%
- Yes 15%
 - Why did you not receive it? Access, cost

In the past year, did you change jobs? 54 respondents

- No 81%
 - o Why? Enjoy my work, pay and benefits, help people
- Yes 19%
 - Why? Better job, hours, stress

What is the biggest issue facing our community? 51 respondents

- Covid 27%
- Drugs 24%
- Obesity 8%

2022 Fairs and Events

Henry County Senior Health Fair

What is the biggest health concern for the youth of Henry County? 34 respondents

- Substance Misuse 44%
 - Drugs, peer pressure
- Mental Health 21%
 - Mental Health education
- Healthy Eating 9%
 - Eating health foods

Henry County Fair

What do you need to be healthy in Henry County? 36 respondents

- Health Eating 36%
 - o More fruits, and vegetables, access to healthy foods, cheaper fruits and vegetables
- Exercise 25%
 - More exercising, more walking
- Environment 17%
 - o Clean water, clean air

Migrant Farmer Appreciation Day

What do you need to have a healthy life in Henry County? 14 respondents

- Health Care 57%
 - Access to affordable health care, language accessibility
- Services 43%
 - o Transportation, food, language education

Combined Responses regarding Health in Henry County in 2022

Three most often mentioned: 84 respondents

- Healthy Living 31%
 - Eating healthy by consuming fruits and vegetables, exercise especially by walking
- Access to Healthcare 25%
 - o Affordable health care, mental health services
- Substance Misuse 21%
 - o Drugs, smoking and vaping, alcohol