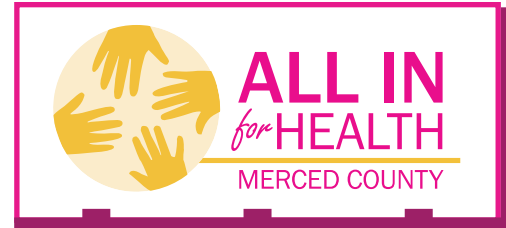


Merced County Department of Public Health, and community partners, accomplished a number of policy, system, and environmental changes over a three year period that are intended to reduce chronic disease risks for and to improve the health of Merced County residents. Between 2014–2017, with funding support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the *Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH)* project achieved a reduction in access to tobacco and an increase in smoke-free environments, improved access to healthy food and physical activity resources, and strengthened linkages between community health assets and clinical services.



3,600+
newborns will benefit from baby friendly hospital policies and a new LATCH clinic at the public health department

109,180
patients have increased access to chronic disease prevention and management classes through Electronic Health Record (EHR) referral system

1
county-wide community health campaign developed with input from partners and community residents

7
health providers are connected through the San Joaquin Community Health Information Exchange

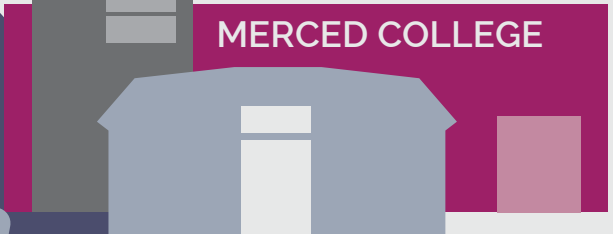
13
additional lactation consultants available to assist new moms



15,000+
students, faculty, and staff have increased quality of health through 100% smoke free policy and access to water stations

200+
Mountain Valley 2-1-1 referrals received for chronic disease prevention programs

12
community health workers trained



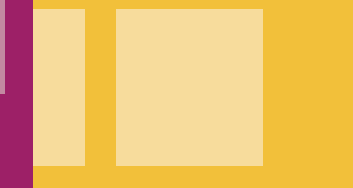
790+
apartment units are 100% smoke free



1
regional plan passed for active transportation and planning infrastructure



14,517
students have increased access to water and decreased access to sugary beverages



5
organizations have made it easier for working moms to breastfeed

80,000+
residents in the City of Merced protected by zoning laws restricting tobacco sales

106,506
residents with access to fresh local produce at corner stores