

The Value and Impact of Colorado Coalition for the Homeless

Community Health Centers (CHCs) provide tremendous value and impact to the communities they serve through **economic stimulus**, **savings to the system**, and **care for vulnerable populations**. They have also played a critical role in **pandemic response**, providing testing, vaccination, and care in-person and virtually, bolstering the public health infrastructure in their communities.

This report highlights the **Colorado Coalition for the Homeless 2021 savings and contributions**, as well as pandemic response data through **Jan 13, 2023**.



ECONOMIC STIMULUS

431	307	738
HEALTH CENTER JOBS	OTHER JOBS	TOTAL JOBS
\$47.0 M	\$56.2 M	\$103.2 M
DIRECT HEALTH CENTER SPENDING	COMMUNITY SPENDING	TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT OF CURRENT OPERATIONS
\$1.6 M	\$10.8 M	\$12.4 M
STATE & LOCAL TAX REVENUES	FEDERAL TAX REVENUES	ANNUAL TAX REVENUES



SAVINGS TO THE SYSTEM

24%	\$20.7 M	\$27.7 M
LOWER COSTS FOR HEALTH CENTER MEDICAID PATIENTS	SAVINGS TO MEDICAID	SAVINGS TO THE OVERALL HEALTH SYSTEM



PANDEMIC RESPONSE

CHCs play a critical public health role in pandemic response, targeting vulnerable populations and delivering:

TESTING		
5,687	2,130	57.3%
TOTAL IN-PERSON COVID TESTS	AT-HOME SELF-TEST DISTRIBUTION	FOR RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITIES
VACCINES		
8,361	60.6%	
TOTAL COVID VACCINES	FOR RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITIES	



CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

0.8%	106,767	22,486	129,253
4-YEAR PATIENT GROWTH	CLINIC VISITS	VIRTUAL VISITS	TOTAL VISITS

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14,272		
PATIENTS SERVED		
3.8%	98.0%	61.8%
CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS	LOW INCOME	IDENTIFY AS AN ETHNIC OR RACIAL MINORITY
458	701	13,673
AGRICULTURAL WORKERS	VETERANS	HOMELESS

SUMMARY OF 2021 ECONOMIC IMPACT AND TAX REVENUE

		Employment (# of FTEs)	Economic Impact	State & Local Tax Revenues	Federal Tax Revenues
<i>Community Impact</i>	Direct	431	\$47,025,950	\$416,481	\$7,055,163
	Indirect	114	\$19,622,713	\$289,270	\$1,465,497
	Induced	193	\$36,568,535	\$883,469	\$2,320,605
	Total	738	\$103,217,198	\$1,589,220	\$10,841,266
				\$12,430,486	

REFERENCES AND DATA SOURCES

- Savings to the System: Nocon et al. Health Care Use and Spending for Medicaid Enrollees in Federally Qualified Health Centers Versus Other Primary Care Settings. American Journal of Public Health: November 2016, Vol. 106, No. 11, pp. 1981-1989.
- Economic Stimulus: Economic impact was measured using 2021 IMPLAN Online from IMPLAN Group LLC, IMPLAN System (data and software), 16905 Northcross Dr., Suite 120, Huntersville, NC 28078, www.IMPLAN.com. Learn more at www.caplink.org/how-economic-impact-is-measured.
- “Low Income” refers to those with earnings at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.
- Care for Vulnerable Populations: Bureau of Primary Health Care, HRSA, DHHS, 2020 Uniform Data System.
- Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) of 1.0 is equivalent to one full-time employee. In an organization that has a 40-hour work week, an employee who works 20 hours per week (i.e., 50 percent of full time) is reported as “0.5 FTE.” FTE is also based on the number of months the employee works. An employee who works full time for four months out of the year would be reported as “0.33 FTE” (4 months/12 months).
- COVID tests and vaccines data comes from data reported by health centers from the HRSA Health Center COVID-19 Survey. Learn more at <https://bphc.hrsa.gov/emergency-response/coronavirus-health-center-data>.

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