



# 2022-2025 Community Health Needs Assessment

PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center

## Executive Summary



In the Community Health Needs Assessment from PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center, we present the story of our service to Lane County residents living along this scenic stretch of Oregon Coast. As of October 2021, our 21-bed medical center accommodated 80,052 clinic visits, 8,761 emergency department visits and 51 births for the year. We are proud to serve as one of the few critical access hospitals located in Oregon’s coastal communities.

PeaceHealth is driven by our belief that good health, prevention and community well-being are fundamental rights. We support health justice for all and are especially called to be in service to the most vulnerable members of our community. We believe that every person should receive safe and compassionate care—every time, every touch. This deep commitment to equity echoes through the pages of this report.

### IN 2022, OUR COMMUNITY IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING KEY PRIORITIES:

- Building community organization capacity is a top priority for improving health equity
- Investing in support services—such as crisis mental health counseling and substance abuse prevention—will help address health and safety needs, particularly for youth
- Reducing barriers to affordable housing and healthy food can improve community health
- Hiring more community health workers, patient navigators and peer support specialists is essential for improving equitable access to health and social services

### IN 2023, PEACE HARBOR MEDICAL CENTER RESPONDED:

- Developing relationships and sustaining partnerships with community capacity organizations including Siuslaw Outreach Services, Helping Hands, Boys and Girls Clubs, First Step housing and childcare, Florence Food Share and Florence Farmers Market
- Continued partnering with Western Lane Mobile Integrated Health and placement of a Community Care Coordinator in PHMC Emergency Department
- Partnering with Western Lane Crisis Response and Western Lane Mental Health for increased access to behavioral health care

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Our four pillars of community health ensure that we are contributing to a healthier community. Read on to learn about our work with partners in support of these pillars. This includes support of Boys & Girls Club of Western Lane, pivoting to provide childcare during the pandemic to families in need with meals, academic help and even weekly sno-cones.

This assessment is the result of a review of key government and nonprofit data and conversations with community leaders. We learned that our communities still need help addressing a lack of affordable housing, alleviating hunger, and attracting a new generation of healthcare providers to the Florence area. As we move into the next three years, we will continue to address these needs through partnership and advocacy.



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