Communities in Action LOUISIANA REGION 5: LAKE CHARLES WHAT YOU CAN DO IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Healthy State

From tackling chronic diseases to making healthcare more accessible, there are ways to make life healthier for everyone.

Here are Region 5's opportunities for improvement: Parishes that are over the 25th percentile in the Healthy Stateidentified priority of...

Cancer Mortality

Feedback from the latest Community Health Needs Assessment showed the following needs:

- Advancing health and wellbeing by addressing chronic illness and behavioral health
- Build resilient communities and improve social determinants by improving food access and reducing smoking and vaping.

Recommendations

1) Cancer Screening and Treatment

 Increase access to cancer health education, screening and treatment for lung, breast, and colorectal cancer in Beauregard, Jefferson Davis, and Cameron parishes – neighborhood-level geographic differences in cancer rates are significant.

2) Income and Poverty

- Create career pathways that result in high-wage, highdemand jobs:
 - Petroleum pump operators, refinery operators, gaugers
 - General and operations managers
 - Sales reps wholesale and manufacturing
 - Computer systems analysts



Colored areas represent parishes in the top 25th percentile of the worst scores in each issue area across all parishes in the state. Parishes that are in the 25th percentile for multiple issues are designated by corresponding stripes in corresponding colors. **Areas that are not shaded may have significant need, but do not reach the 25th percentile.**

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SOURCE: Christus Health 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment; Map: County Health Rankings and Roadmaps.