

PROGRAM SUMMARY

CDC COVID-19 Health Disparities Grant

Key Impacts:



MOVE UP provided critical resources to vulnerable and hard-to-reach populations on a large scale, with both immediate (e.g. supplies, vaccinations) and long-term (e.g. education, access to insurance) benefits.



Mobile Outreach Vaccination Education for Underserved Populations MOVE UP!

The UArizona Primary Prevention Mobile Health Unit (MHU)

Description of Program:

The program aimed to remove the challenges faced by rural areas, communities of color, and underserved populations when obtaining COVID-19 vaccines, such as transportation, access to sites, lack of registration and technology assistance, and language barriers.

Program Goals:

- ▶ Outreach: Provide culturally congruent educational resources (audio and printed); Distribute Personal Protective Equipment (PPE); Provide wrap-around social services toolkits; Facilitate COVID-19 testing and vaccine registration, including assessing recommended vaccination schedules with both adults and children.
- ▶ Help individuals understand health insurance options and assist with enrollment.
- ▶ Embed Substance Use Disorder (SUD)/Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) training programs and naloxone availability in MOVE UP activities.
- ▶ Establish new partnerships in rural and underserved communities to support and sustain MOVE UP objectives.

CDC COVID-19 Health Disparities Grant Strategies:

Strategy 1: Expand existing and/or develop new mitigation and prevention resources and services to reduce COVID-19-related disparities among populations at higher risk and that are underserved.

Strategy 4: Mobilize partners and collaborators to advance health equity and address social determinants of health as they relate to COVID-19 health disparities among populations at higher risk and that are underserved.



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Milestones:

- ▶ Participated in approximately **400** vaccine events, collaborating with **200+** non-traditional partners in **12** different counties.
- ▶ Distributed approximately **71,000** COVID-19 vaccines in rural and underserved communities.
- ▶ Distributed **4,300** COVID-19 antigen rapid testing kits and **29,795** PPE items.
- ▶ Wrap around social services toolkits provided to approximately **90,000** individuals.
- ▶ Health education and guidance provided to over **200,000** individuals. Outreach conducted in English and Spanish.
- ▶ Distributed **2,610** Narcan kits, with instruction
- ▶ Over **5,000** referrals to Federally Qualified Health Centers, Clinical Access Hospitals, and other providers
- ▶ Approximately **1,200** referrals to health insurance plans.
- ▶ Over **400** children and adolescents participated in twice-monthly workshops (co-sponsored with local school districts and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement).



Stepping into the future:

- ▶ With the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) and non-profit organizations, pilot a referral and screening process for migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers from Central and South America with potential mental health service needs.
- ▶ With local food banks, expand events where individuals receive screenings, prescriptions, and free glasses.
- ▶ Strengthen and enhance HIV programs through screening, testing and treatment services.

Highlighted Partnerships developed or strengthened:



U.S Customs and Border Protection
 U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Center
 Local County Health Departments
 Arizona Department of Health Services

Mexican Government (Sonora)
 Community Health Workers
 Campesinos sin Fronteras
 Arizona @ Work

Primary



Health Equity SDOH Primary Area of Impact:

Education

Secondary



Employment

Health Systems and Services

Tertiary



Housing

Income and Wealth

Physical Environment

Public Safety

Social Environment

Transportation



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