

Progress on CHIPs

Click on each program/ strategy below to find and review updates in the "Story Behind the Measure" note tabs.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Priorities

- **New** [Freedom Life: Reentry Intensive Program \(Mental Health and Substance Use\)](#)
- [Youth to Youth Group \(Avery Youth Coalition\) \(Mental Health and Substance Use\)](#)

Food and Nutrition Priority

- [Food Distribution Center Friday Markets](#)
- **New** [Program to help Avery seniors stay in their homes](#)
- [Healthy Opportunities Pilot](#)
- [Avery Mentoring Program](#)

Significant/ Notable Changes in Morbidity and Mortality

The following represent significant morbidity and mortality changes in our community.
[Guidance: Keep this section brief! Here are some examples provided by WNCHI partners.]

- Drug Abuse and Overdoses rising and need education on Narcan use
 - NC Opioid Dashboard
- Child Adverse Effects are showing more than ever
- Severe Housing Problems getting worse

Emerging Issues Impacting Health

These are the new or emerging issues in our community in 2022 that were not identified as priorities in our CHA.

- Animal Cruelty
- Lack of childcare and daycare options



The following is information on new/ paused/ discontinued initiatives or activities in our community in 2022:

- Community Paramedic Program
- New part of the high school opened and is being enjoyed by students
- Feeding Avery Families purchased a new lot of land and has a brand new facility to serve people free food in a grocery store type environment