



Kaiser Permanente Northwest

# 2023 Community Health Snapshot

Kaiser Permanente Northwest Community Health furthers our mission with initiatives that help people experiencing health disparities to address the clinical, social, economic, and environmental factors that affect their health and ability to thrive. This work enlists our entire organization and region: physicians, dentists, nurses, technicians, navigators, all employees, and community partners from Longview, Washington to Eugene, Oregon.

The metrics presented here are a snapshot of 2023 initiatives guided by Community Health priorities, which respond to our Community Health Needs Assessment, and inform where our investments will make the greatest impact: **access to care, CityHealth, community engagement and volunteerism, economic opportunity, environmental stewardship, housing, mental health, nutrition security, oral health, public health, racial equity, subsidized care and coverage, social health, and Thriving Schools.** Many of our initiatives support more than one priority.

## Access to Care

**112 Clinics hosted by nonprofit partners** as part of Care & Connect, a partnership with [Medical Teams International](#) to provide mobile dental and health care services to underserved populations across the region. In total, 1,733 patient encounters, 815 dental patients, 735 hypertension screenings, and 464 diabetes screenings.

**27 Community-based organizations**, along with the [Oregon Primary Care Association](#), received support to facilitate [Medicaid Redetermination](#) (requalifying people for Medicaid after the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency) with a focus on reaching youth, immigrants with low incomes, people with disabilities, families of color, and people experiencing homelessness.



## Community Engagement

**52 Nonprofits received donations from KP Gives**, which provides funding to qualifying nonprofits based on employee volunteerism with the organization.

**804 Employees and physicians dedicated 4,381 hours to [community service and volunteerism](#).**



## Economic Opportunity

**3 Year grant to Portland State University** in continued support of the [IGNITE](#) Leadership and Mentorship Program that has provided scholarships and social, career, and academic support to 36 pre-health students since 2018.

**29 Native American entrepreneurs** participated in the [Northwest Native Chamber's](#) Native Enterprise Program, which provides free business development training to launch and sustain successful businesses.



## Environmental Stewardship

**5 Donations supporting a climate change health equity coalition** working to build climate resiliency in their communities through policy advocacy, direct services, and leadership and workforce development: [Coalition of Communities of Color](#), [APANO](#), [Verde](#), [NAYA](#) and [OPAL](#).



## CityHealth

**1 Overall gold medal with 9 individual policy medals** earned for the city of Portland awarded by [CityHealth](#), an initiative of the de Beaumont Foundation and Kaiser Permanente, in recognition of local policies promoting health equity such as flavored tobacco restrictions, green spaces, eco-friendly purchasing, and other key drivers of health.



# Housing

**87 Individuals had care gaps closed** through Healthcare + Homelessness, a collaboration between health care navigators and shelter case managers sharing information to solve immediate challenges for patients.

**5 Medical respite initiatives** administered by Central City Concern, Clackamas County, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action, ShelterCare, and Washington County, supported by the National Institute for Medical Respite Care, help people experiencing homelessness who are discharging from the hospital but need short-term housing on their road to recovery.



# Oral Health

**48 Community members** obtained free dental services in partnership with Northwest Family Services and our Eastmoreland dental office in Southeast Portland.

**518 Kaiser Permanente members received donated dental care** through our Community Health Coverage Program.



# Nutrition Security

**20 Latine families are benefiting** from Familias en Acción's From Garden to the Table, a culturally and linguistically responsive Community Supported Agriculture program including nutrition/cooking classes, online recipes, and navigation by Community Health Workers.

**500 Urban Native Americans** are accessing traditional and healthy food through a grant to the Native American Youth and Family Center providing programming centered in the native culture and teachings from community elders on harvesting local traditional foods.



# Public Health

**3 public health departments** – Multnomah, Marion and Polk Counties – received support from a grant to the Oregon Coalition of Local Health Officials for workforce development, recruitment and retention, and knowledge sharing through communities of practice.



## Racial Equity

**10 Organizations** led by and serving Black, African American, African Immigrant, and Refugee communities received capacity building grants to strengthen their financial, operational, and organizational efficiency and effectiveness for long-term sustainability.

**2 Nonprofits serving Black communities** received support to address systemic racism through leadership development, capacity building, policy change, and closing racial achievement and opportunity gaps: [Urban League of Portland](#) and [Imagine Black](#).



## Subsidized Care and Coverage

**86,170 Medicaid patients** received care through Kaiser Permanente's participation in [Oregon Health Plan](#) and [Washington Apple Health](#). 14,100 of those patients received integrated medical and dental care through [Health Share of Oregon](#).

**2,606 Individuals** received donated health care through [Project Access NOW](#) and 3,512 individuals received assistance enrolling in health insurance and understanding their plans. One of those plans is our Community Health Coverage Program where 533 members received fully subsidized care.



## Social Health

**5,591 Individuals** served by multilingual/multicultural staff from [Impact NW](#) received help connecting to free community resources such as utility assistance, transportation, nutrition, and other social services through our Resource Access Centers.

**9,058 People** accessed services through [Connect Oregon](#) and [Unite Washington](#), state-wide community resource networks where service providers can easily refer people to much-needed social resources in their community.

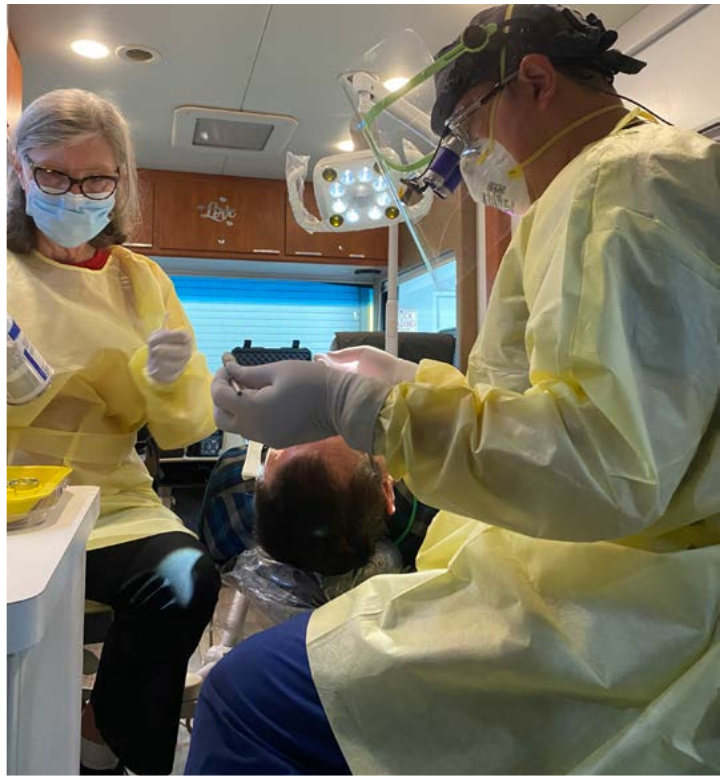


## Thriving Schools

**30 School districts** benefited from a grant to [Washington School Based Health Alliance](#) to expand and improve school-based health care, provide training and technical assistance, host a community of practice, and provide leadership for policy and advocacy activities across the state.







**OUR MISSION:** To provide high-quality, affordable health care services and to improve the health of our members and the communities we serve.

**OUR VISION:** To be trusted partners in total health, collaborating with people to help them thrive, creating communities that are among the healthiest in the nation, and inspiring greater health for America and the world.



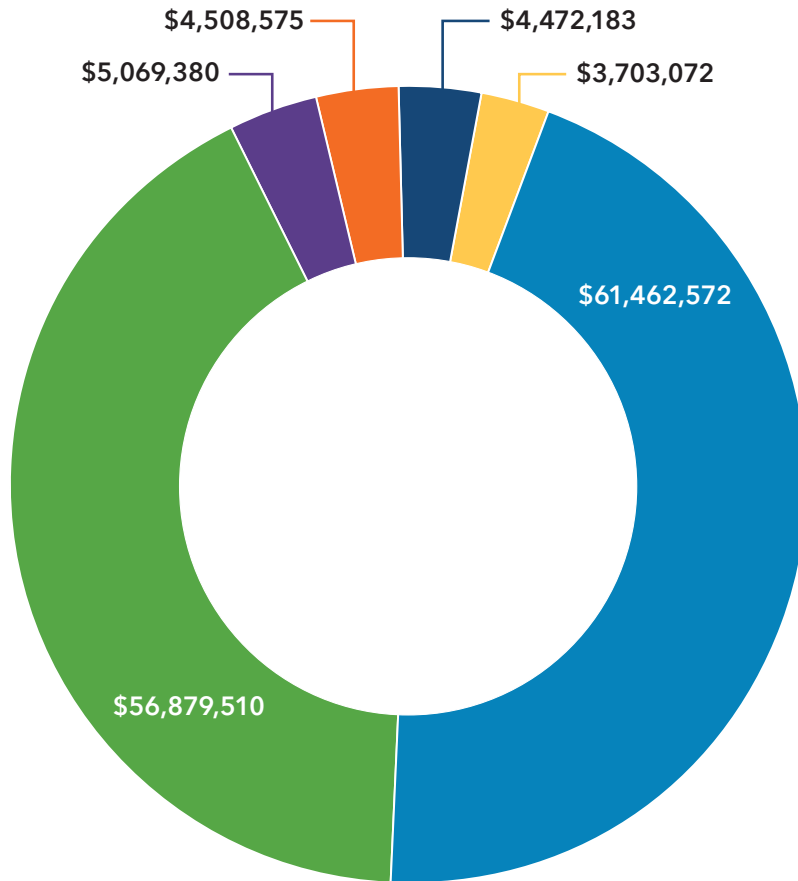
# BY THE NUMBERS

**Kaiser Permanente Northwest made a total of \$136,095,292 in Community Investments in 2023.**

Grants and donations  
**\$4,508,575**

Health professions education  
**\$5,069,380**

Medicaid  
**\$56,879,510**



Research  
**\$4,472,183**

Other  
**\$3,703,072**

Charity care and coverage  
**\$61,462,572**

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