



San Bernardino County Plan for Targeted Equity Investments

Describe the disproportionately impacted population(s), whether HPI 4th quartile (be specific about populations that reside in these census tracts); or if small county define populations and geographic areas. Note estimated percentage of total cases.	The lowest quartile is home to 24% of county residents and accounts for 27% of COVID-19 cases. Focus will be on Hispanic/Latino, African American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander populations which represent 45.3%, 4.4%, and 0.4% respectively of cases with known race/ethnicity data. Data is based on CalREDIE and the Healthy Places Index.													
County Name	San Bernardino	Contact Person	Ken Johnston	Contact Email	Ken.Johnston@sbcounty.gov	Activity Category	Equity Activity	Priority Population	Funding Amount	Funding Source	Partners	Community Engagement	Start Date	Identify Technical Assistance Needs
Select a category using the drop-down options (also listed on Equity Action Categories tab), or select 'Other.'	Provide a brief description of the planned activity. (Examples of Playbook strategies included below. If already described in ELC workplan, reference page# and section.)	Disproportionately impacted population that equity activities will address	Projected level of funding invested in equity activity	Planned funding source	Identify any planned or current partners	Describe plans for how communities are being engaged, ongoing or one-time.	Either prior or planned date	Identify any technical assistance topics or resources that would support local efforts						
Testing	Expand on existing 21 community testing sites plus those available at hospitals, third-party health centers, urgent care facilities and pharmacies through a contract with CHAIRS testing sites. Estimated increase of 14,000 test per month at up to 42 clinic locations.	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 1,300,000	ELC Strategy 2	Community Health Association Inland Southern Region (CHAISR)		December 2020							
Testing	Provide outreach and resources to allow testing to be conducted outside of our department. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Utilize staff to communicate with, and involve, other entities in order to improve the overall health equity of our community. - Leverage partnerships with CHAIRS to enhance testing abilities. 	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 410,362	ELC Strategy 6	Community Health Association Inland Southern Region (CHAISR)		December 2020							
Data	Extract contact tracing case data from CalREDIE. ArcGIS will be used to plot data on a map to pinpoint areas in need of more containment and identify communities in the lowest HPI quartile for more precise data analysis and equitable preparedness and response. Additional epidemiologic analysis and response includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Process data points to identify cases with similar characteristics. - Interpret results for the purpose of developing mitigation strategies. - Plot results on a "heat map" to illustrate high-risk areas. - Rapidly provide outreach to high-risk areas. 	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 177,850	ELC Strategy 1										
Contact Tracing	Expand contact tracing into infection prevention. Results of investigations will be forwarded to infection prevention staff for purposes of health education within identified high-risk and vulnerable populations. Infection Prevention teams will meet the needs of acute care hospitals, long-term care, skilled nursing facilities and other congregate living facilities. Teams will be comprised of a RN, PHN, two Communicable Disease Investigators, an LVA and an Epidemiologist.	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 492,003	ELC Strategy 6	CDPH, DHHS		January 2021							
Data	Expand number of licenses with statistical analysis software programs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement processes that will automatically notify CalREDIE and CalCONNECT persons of surveys. - Upgrade capabilities of Tableau in order to improve data visualization - Surveillance visualizations will be enhanced and allow for automated sharing of infectious disease, morbidity, and mortality data. 	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 409,958	ELC Strategy 4										
Contact Tracing	Expand case investigation, contact tracing, COVID-19 counseling, and daily case/contact management. This involves recruitment, management support, and public health surveillance for the contact tracing support program. Four micro-teams will each contact between 500 - 700 individuals per week. A diverse workforce will be recruited and preference will be given to bilingual health workers speaking the top non-English languages in the county (Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin).	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	Non-Financial Memorandum of Understanding	Kaiser Permanente Foundation	Public Health Institute		November 2020							
Contact Tracing	Hire 20 additional contact tracers to focus on the most disadvantaged communities.	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 1,200,000	ELC Strategy 5	Community Health Association Inland Southern Region (CHAISR)		January 2021							
Contact Tracing	Shift contact tracing efforts and staffing costs to focus on the 4th HPI quartile.	4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)	\$ 3,318,751	ELC Strategy 5										
Isolation Support	The Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) manages the Great Plates Delivered program to ensure the needs of diverse communities within the county are met. DAAS conducts outreach to senior centers and senior populations to enroll qualified individuals in need. In addition, DAAS is working with multiple local food providers to deliver three nutritious daily meals to those enrolled.	Age 65 or older, or 60 - 64 and at high-risk as defined by the CDC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COVID-19 positive - Those with underlying conditions such as heart disease, lung disease and diabetes 	?	FEMA										
Isolation Support	24-hour free call center and online support that provides detailed information and referrals to more than 1,100 agencies, 3,500 Programs, and almost 5,000 services, such as housing, financial assistance, food, clothing, behavioral and medical care and more.	All county residents	\$250,000 annually	Realignment	211 San Bernardino County									
Worker Protections	The San Bernardino County Readiness and Reopening Plan includes industry-specific safety guidance in the form of checklists that cover workplace controls for safety and health, social distancing, and policies, rights and notifications. To directly support local small businesses and help ensure ongoing compliance with state and county health orders and direction, San Bernardino County implemented the COVID-Compliant Business Partnership Program. This program is providing \$30 million in small business funding to offset costs and impacts up to \$2,500 that are directly related to complying with COVID protocols, including hand sanitizer, disinfectant and cleaning supplies. The Board of Supervisors allocated an additional \$7.5 million for businesses to gain exclusive access to obtain PPE at the same cost as the county. The program also supports businesses to participate as a partner and demonstrate their commitment to compliance with county safety guidelines.	Small businesses in the seven cities encompassing the bulk of 4th HPI quartile census tracts	\$ 37,500,000	CARES Act										
Worker Protections	The Workforce Development Department assists job seekers who are impacted by COVID-19 with support services such as rent assistance, utilities, laptops, and other items to reduce barriers to employment.	Countywide	\$ 315,000	California Employment Development Department			Grant ends 12/31/20							

Isolation Support	<p>DAS provides robust services to older Californians and individuals with disabilities and underlying health conditions to ensure their health, safety, and overall wellbeing. These services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A 24-hour toll-free telephone line for the Age Wise Program, which is staffed by mental health clinicians offering counseling and crisis intervention services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telephonic check-ins conducted by social workers and mental health clinicians Information and referrals to resources through the Senior Information and Assistance program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case management services and nurse assessments for homebound individuals Transportation of seniors and dependent adults to COVID-19 testing sites Health insurance counseling and legal assistance Provision of PPE In Home Health Services (IHSS) to help seniors and disabled children safely within their homes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Age 65 or older, or 60 – 64 and at high-risk as defined by the CDC COVID-19 positive Exposed to COVID-19 Those with underlying conditions such as heart disease, lung disease and diabetes 	<p>\$67,038,015 for multiple programs, including Elderly Nutrition Program, Great Plates Delivered, Multipurpose Senior Services, Senior Assistance and Information, Age Wise and In-Home Supportive Services</p>	<p>California Department of Aging, FEMA, 2011 Realignment, and other federal, state and county funds.</p>				
Housing Security and Homelessness	<p>capacity for the homeless in order to protect them from COVID-19. Project Roomkey currently assists approximately 800 individuals and families members per month, residing in over 400 non-congregate shelter units (motel/hotel rooms) within the county for the purpose of providing homeless individuals most vulnerable to COVID-19 safe housing to help minimize the spread of the virus within our communities while ensuring ongoing public safety. A permanent housing plan is developed for each participant. COVID-19 positive homeless are sheltered in trailers separately and provided appropriate care in conjunction with public health and healthcare delivery providers.</p>	<p>High-risk homeless persons includes those who are 65 years of age and older, persons of any age with underlying health conditions (i.e. heart disease, lung disease, immunocompromised, diabetes, kidney and liver disease), as well as pregnant women.</p>	<p>Approximately \$400,000 per month (i.e. room rate, security, meal rate, sanitation costs, PPE, laundry, house-keeping)</p>	<p>State Homeless Emergency Assistance Program (HEAP) funding; Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) COVID-19 funding; CARES Act funds</p>	<p>HEAP Providers; Economic Development Agency; Public Health, Behavioral Health, OES, DCSS, local hospitals</p>	<p>Sheriff's Homeless Outreach Proactive Enforcement; Coordinated Entry System</p>	<p>4/20/2020</p>	
Communication	<p>Targeted and culturally sensitive methods of outreach within the lowest HPI quartile communities, including billboards, bus signage, and mass mailings. These will address: promoting social distancing and wearing face coverings; guidance about personal hygiene and disinfecting surfaces; informing how to access locally available testing and healthcare; and how and when to quarantine and isolate.</p>	<p>4th HPI Quartile Census Tracts (27% OF COVID-19 cases)</p>	<p>\$500,000</p>	<p>CARES Act</p>				
Total ELC Strategy 5 Funding								\$11,296,872
Total ELC \$ Invested for Impacted Populations								\$4,518,751
Percentage of ELC Strategy 5 Funds Invested for Impacted Populations								40%