

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: The Health and Well-being of the People of Santa Barbara County Report

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Accept the attached report titled, *The Health and Well Being of the People of Santa Barbara County, A Summary of Key Findings from the 2001 California Health Interview Survey.*

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with:

Goal No. II A Safe and Healthy Community in which to Live, Work and Visit.

Goal No. VII A Community that fosters the Safety and Well-being of Families and Children.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

In 2001, the California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) was conducted in all California counties by the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Center for Health Policy Research. Santa Barbara Court and Public Health Department participated in this survey. Interviews were conducted in over 1,000 households to provide a snapshot of the health of the county residents. This report highlights the key findings of the (CHIS) survey and offers comparisons to the Community Health Assessment Survey (CHAS) conducted by the Public Health Department in 1999 where appropriate.

Mandates and Service Levels:

This is a non-mandated program, however sound data on health status and health needs is critical to plan for the future and to ensure that appropriate services are available to assess and protect the health of the residents of Santa Barbara County.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This action does not increase the use of the General Fund contribution. This action does not result in the need for additional facilities.

Special Instructions:

None

Concurrence:

Santa Barbara Superior Court
Administrative Office