

EMPOWERING A HEALTHIER COMPTON, BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY

HEALTHCARE SHOULD BE A RIGHT, NOT A PRIVILEGE!

THE CHALLENGE

Compton is medically underserved and faces:

- High rates of obesity, diabetes, cancer, STDs, and depression
- 58% of residents live below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Low higher education attainment rates
- Limited clinical training sites
- 1,000+ open healthcare positions
- Severe shortage of healthcare professionals
- Underrepresentation of Black and Brown professionals in healthcare roles

WHO'S INVOLVED?

Education Partners

- Compton Unified School District (CUSD)
- Compton College
- CSU Dominguez Hills (CSUDH)
- Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU)

Healthcare Partners

- St. John's Community Health
- Kedren Health
- Watts Health Center

Elected Officials

- Office of Assemblymember Mike Gipson, District 65

GOALS

1. Increase local student interest in healthcare careers.
2. Train and employ healthcare workers from Compton, in Compton.
3. Build a replicable model for community-based health workforce development.
4. Foster long-term change in community health outcomes.

HOW IT WORKS – THE PIPELINE

MIDDLE SCHOOL → HIGH SCHOOL → COLLEGE → CAREER

- Early engagement and health career exposure
- Dual enrollment and recruitment into healthcare tracks
- Clinical rotation sites and local training opportunities
- Employment in local clinics (St. John's, Kedren, and Watts Health Center)
- Community forums and legislative advocacy

SHORT-TERM OUTCOMES

- More Black/Latino students enrolled in health programs
- Increase in graduates from local colleges in health fields
- Expanded clinical training sites
- Better engagement between schools, clinics and community
- More community forums and health awareness

LONG-TERM IMPACTS

- More culturally relevant care
- Better access and health outcomes for marginalized groups
- Economic mobility through career pathways
- A model of vertically integrated community health training
- A healthier, self-empowered Compton

EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION OF HEALTH LEADERS – RIGHT FROM THE HEART OF COMPTON.

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SUPPORT NEEDED

- SCHOLARSHIPS AND TUITION SUPPORT
- PAID CLINICAL ROTATIONS AND SUPERVISION FUNDING
- INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE (STAFFING, SPACE, SYSTEMS)
- STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING PARTNERSHIPS