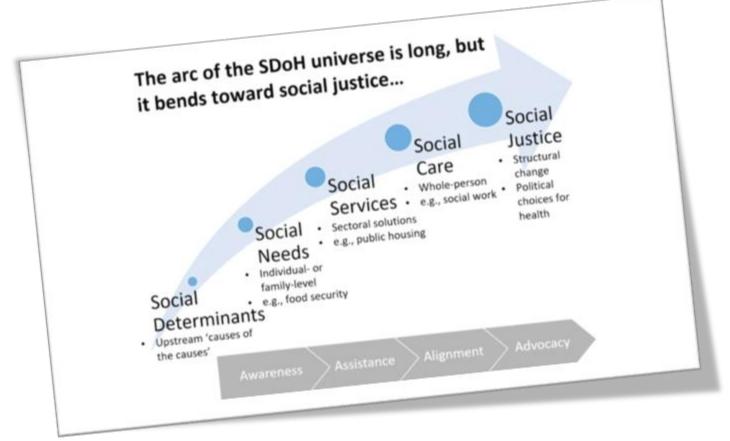
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Opening Thoughts: Its About Social Justice



2019 NYC Dept of Health Framing for SDOH Work







National Academy of Sciences Report Released

"Integrating social care into health care delivery can be transformative for addressing the individual needs of patients and the collective needs of communities. However, we need the workforce, financing, and infrastructure to do this effectively."

| TABLE Transportation-Related Examples Highlighting Different Social and Health Care Integration Activities Awareness Ask people about their access to transportation. Advocacy | | | |
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| Adjustment Reduce the need for in-person health care appointments by using other options such as tele-health appointments. | Assistance Provide transportation vouchers so that patients can travel to health care appointments. Vouchers can be used for ridesharing services or public transit. | Invest in community ride-sharing or time-bank programs. | Work to promote policies that fundamentally change the transportation infrastructure within the community. |

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Is Having Access to Food a Right?

https://youtu.be/WJtaOMdbV9o



 An estimated 2 million people in Los Angeles County live with food insecurity, which means 1 in 5 people who live here may not know where their next meal is coming from.

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Partnership with Department of Public Health CalFresh Healthy Living Program



January 2023-June 2023, conducted 51 Food Distributions across multiple DHS PCMH Sites. 39,583 Households served and over 186,120 pounds of food distributed



Since inception of the program in 2021, conducted over 392 food distributions, over 290,186 households served and over 1 million pounds of food distributed



These distributions are in addition to linkage to CalFresh, SNAP and other food assistance programs







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DIFFERENCE!

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- A <u>free</u> online and mobile platform that makes it easy for community members and health care, non-profit and social service professionals to find, manage and access thousands of community resources across LA County
- Accessible from anywhere you can access the internet (phones, tablets, computers)
- Available in English or Spanish
- Filter search results by age, language, communities served and more
- HIPAA compliant
- Resources verified every 6 months

