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Shape the Future of Our Community's Health:
Participate in the Marion-Polk Community Health Survey

Marion and Polk Counties, OR – July 1, 2024 - The Marion-Polk Community Health Collaborative, a coalition of local organizations dedicated to improving community health, is thrilled to announce the launch of our latest community health survey. Whether you live, work, or play in Marion or Polk County, this survey is your chance to make your voice heard and influence the future of local health services.

The survey is designed to gather valuable insights from residents across our community. Your feedback will directly impact the allocation of resources and the enhancement of health services that benefit you, your family, and your community.

The last community health survey led to significant investments exceeding \$10 million over the past four years in behavioral health and housing services. This funding enabled local organizations such as Wisemind and Polk County Family & Community Outreach to expand youth mental health services. Additionally, organizations like Church at the Park, Salem for Refugees, and Sheltering Silverton received grants to enhance housing and resource navigation services.

Thanks to these efforts, Marion and Polk counties have seen a decrease in suicide fatalities and an increase in mental health providers. For more information on our health outcome indicators, please visit our website here.

We are now seeking your input on where future investments should focus over the next five years. Your participation in the survey will help us continue to make informed decisions that promote the health and well-being of our community.

Together, let's shape the future of health in Marion and Polk counties!

Take the Survey: surveymonkey.com/r/mp24.

The Marion-Polk Community Health Collaborative is a partnership of local organizations committed to improving health outcomes and quality of life for residents in Marion and Polk counties. Through collaboration and community engagement, we strive to address key health issues and enhance the overall well-being of our community.

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