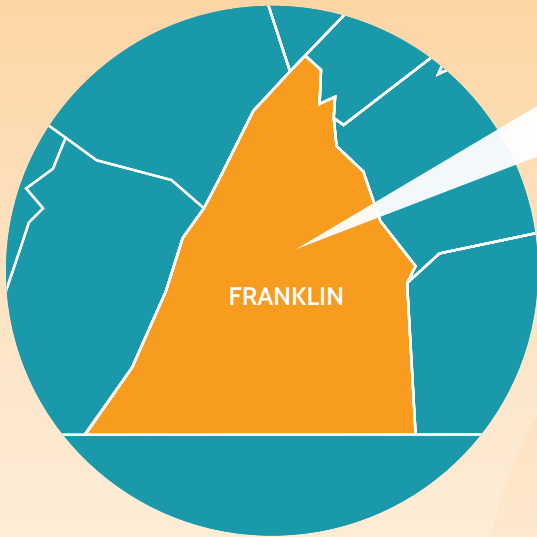


COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT SUMMARY



FRANKLIN COUNTY

Community needs assessments are used to identify the gaps, strengths and opportunities in fulfilling the needs of our community. Community leaders then use this information to develop programs and services in the area to help fill those needs and opportunities.

There are several different data sets and needs assessments that TFEC has gathered to help identify the top priorities within our geographic footprint in Franklin County.

COUNTY OVERVIEW



POPULATION:
156,902 individuals
Roughly 1 in 5 residents are
over the age of 65



**MEDIAN
INCOME: \$74,002**
(Pennsylvania median is \$71,798)



**NUMBER OF
HOUSEHOLDS:**
64,960



POVERTY RATE: 8%
(Pennsylvania average is 12%)
The urban centers of Chambersburg and
Waynesboro demonstrate the highest
concentrations of poverty within Franklin
County as well as the most racially and
ethnically diverse geographic areas.



EDUCATION: 24%
population with bachelor's degree or
higher (Pennsylvania average 34.5%)



HOUSEHOLD SURVIVAL BUDGET: \$21.05/hour
(minimum cost to live and work) A household with one adult and
one child would need to make in Franklin County.

TOP PRIORITIES FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY



HEALTH ISSUES

- Obesity
- Adults are **less physically active**
- Health issues related to the physical environment, **including poor air quality**
- **Poor mental health, depression and suicide rate increase**

ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS

- Rising economic disadvantage among **school age children**
 - » **11% of children under 6 years are uninsured**
- **Roughly 1 in 4** residents report living paycheck to paycheck
- **People of color earn a significantly lower median household income**
- African American and Hispanic/Latino residents are disproportionately more likely to be uninsured



FOOD INSECURITY

- Food insecurity rate: **11.4%**
- Number of food insecure individuals: **17,720**

HOUSING

- Affordability has become a pressing issue, with **median house prices and median rents increasing** faster than income



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