

Two Rivers Public Health Department

People, Programs, and Opportunities

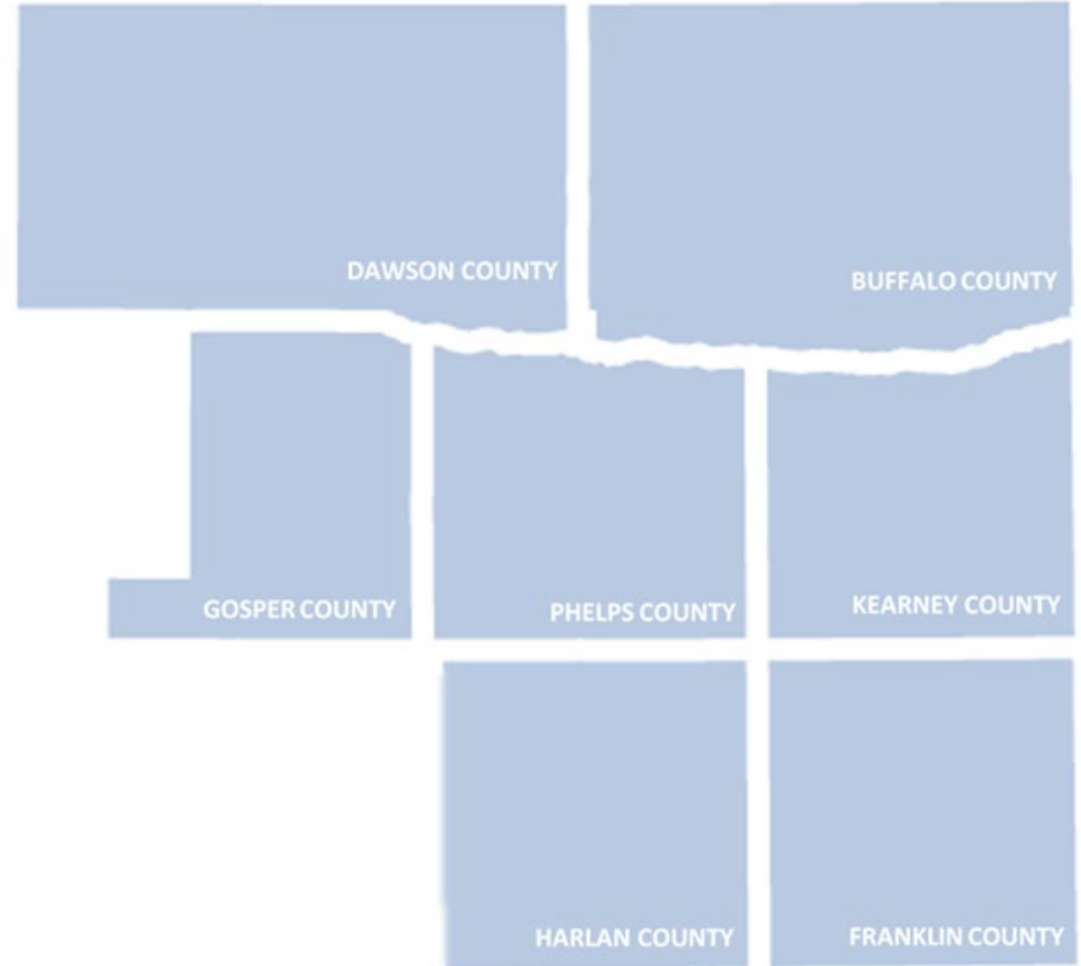


What We Do | Two Rivers



Our District

- The district covers approximately 4663 square miles.
- The Republican River runs through the southern portion of the district, and the Platte River runs along the northern portion of the district.
- The total population of the district is approximately 97,284.
 - The majority of the population is near the I-80 corridor.
 - The largest urban areas are:
 - Holdrege (~5,439 people),
 - Lexington (~10,024 people), and
 - Kearney (~33,835 people).
 - This shows that about 51% of the population in the district live in three cities, while the remaining is rurally located.
- The central portion of the district is largely cropland.
- Both the northern and the southern portions of the district tend to be used as grazing land for cattle.



Our Website and Email Have Changed!

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Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) 1 Closeout Miscommunication

- Nebraska DHHS has been alerted by the U.S. Treasury that the reallocation of unused ERAP1 funding is no longer allowable through grant restrictions
- Allocation of these funds is allowable under the ERAP2 funding cycle, however, Nebraska will not be participating in this program

Community Health Improvement Team Vision Statement

Empowering all individuals, families, and communities to pursue healthy behaviors, and enhance physical environments, for improved mental, physical, spiritual, and social health and wellness. Assuring an environment where communities flourish and people are connected.

Community Health Improvement Planning

- Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) process
 - Community-driven strategic planning process
 - Facilitated by public health
 - Provides a framework to apply strategic thinking to prioritize public health issues and address the issues
- Timing for next iteration
 - Tentatively planning for 2024
 - Align with area non-profit hospitals



TRPHD CHIP 2020 Strategies

- Access to Care
 - Improved Education
 - Increasing Vaccination
- Safe environment
 - Assessing local efforts
- Mental Health and Suicide Prevention
 - Connecting individuals to local mental health services

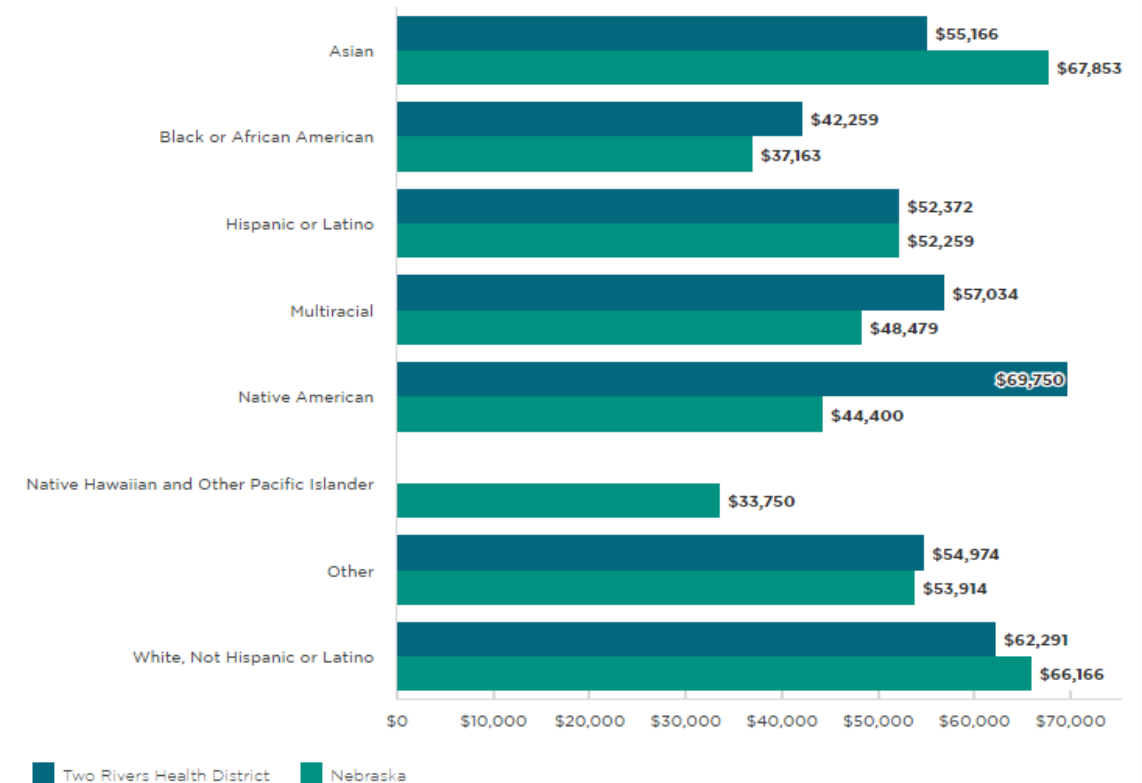


Public Health Relationship to Housing Instability

- Housing instability is intimately connected to health outcomes as well as income
- The connection of homelessness to poor health outcomes is well known, large studies from states in the Midwest suggest a close correlation between unstable housing situations and public health outcomes like:
 - infectious disease incidence risk,
 - long-term chronic disease management,
 - mental health
 - intimate partner violence

• (Burgard, Seefeldt, & Zelner, 2012)

Median Income by Race / Ethnicity of Householder



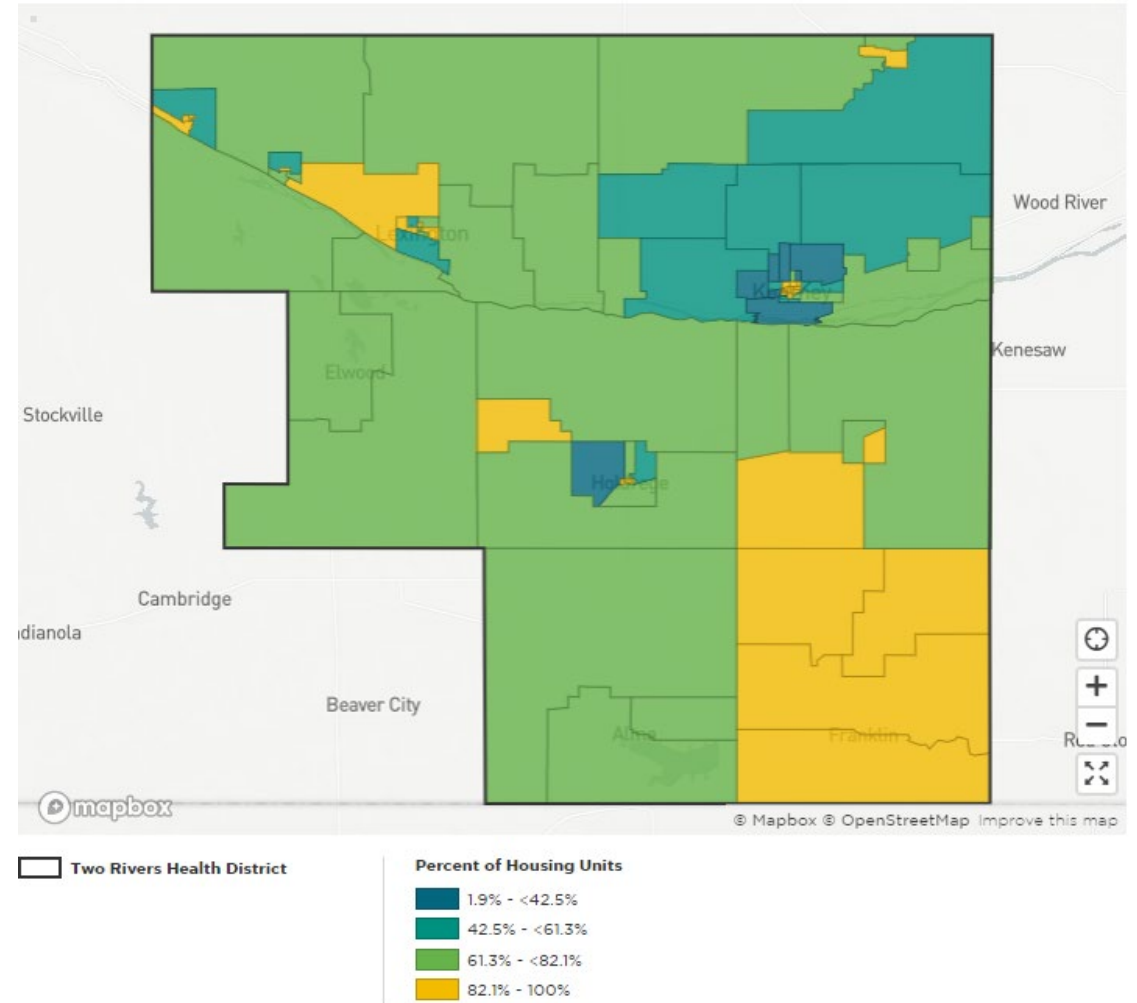
Sources: US Census Bureau ACS 5-year 2016-2020

Safe Environment-Grant Connection

- DHHS Housing Stability Grant
 - Safe Environment Remediation Assistance
- Submission
 - Lead paint inspection/remediation
 - Mold remediation
 - Radon measuring/ remediation
 - Pest Control

Sources: HUD Picture Subsidized HH

Housing Units with Potential for Lead Paint

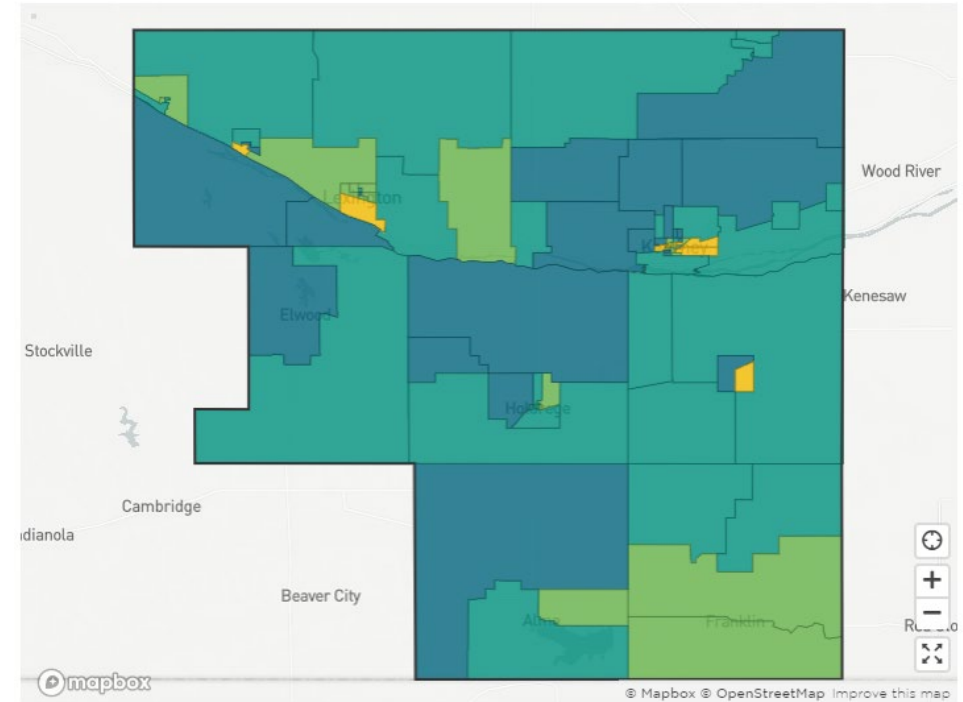


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SERA Grant

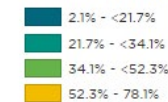
- TRPHD Community Health Worker(s) will assist in navigation through the ERAP programs or find housing. TRPHD will also partner with local community groups to assist in finding housing.
- TRPHD Environmental Health Specialists will conduct assessments and facilitate service coordination. CHWs will provide advocacy and life skill development services and community resource linkage.
- TRPHD will provide funding assistance to *eligible citizens in order to complete lead abatement, radon mitigation, mold remediation, and pest control measures.
 - Eligible citizens are defined as individuals with disabilities, senior citizens, and low-income households with an income which does not exceed 80% of the median income for the district.

Low Income Population



Two Rivers Health District

Percent of Population



What now?

- TRPHD will continue to grow an environmental health program utilizing limited ARPA Funding
- Continue the following programs:
 - West Nile Virus mosquito trapping, disease investigation, and lab monitoring
 - Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention investigation and environmental assessment
 - Radon testing kits
 - Free in January
 - \$10 per kit February-December



Further Growth Opportunities

- Foundational Environmental Health Services
- Policy Development



Next Meeting: Mid-January



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