



Deaconess Illinois Union County

Community Health Needs Assessment Action Plan 2025

CHNA Action	Hospital Tactic	Status	Owner
Food Scarcity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Support and participate in the inner agency group meeting in the community (if one exists) or develop this group to ensure agencies understand what each does and the priorities they are working on. This will potentially reduce duplication of services and allow more agency collaboration.Investigate developing or renovating a resource guide to assist agencies and patients/residents in finding needed resources.Support local agencies that address homelessness. Investigate budgeting dollars for this and leverage social media channels to raise awareness of these agencies and solicit potential donors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meetings held with Alliance of Churches and City of Anna around creation on a unified food pantry in April 2025Discussion with Union County Hospital District Board in June 2025 for financial supportMeeting with Tri-State food bank in August 2025Toured potential site for pantry in August 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Harry Brockus, CAO
Mental Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Evaluate the mental and substance abuse services provided in the community and the need for additional providers/services. Work with community partners and DHI to ensure gaps are filled as possible.Work with current providers in the service market area to retain their services to DIL-UC and the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Donation to RHI to support their mental health programs in Summer of 2024Mental Health practitioners attended our health fair in March 2025Working with CrossPointe Psychiatric Hospital on access for care including telehealth options for Deaconess Illinois facilities 2025DIL performing analysis of additional inpatient mental health bed needs in Southern Illinois 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Harry Brockus, CAO
Health Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Review patient educational documents to ensure understandable explanations of patient's condition, care and treatment. Educate nursing staff to reinforce the importance of this additional education with patients.Health Fair in the Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hired Venus Buck, Patient Liason to provide dedicated team member to provide activity/educational services to our inpatient/swing bed patientsCommunity Health Fair was held in March 2025, 63 people attended, over 30 booths set up providing free screening and education materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Harry Brockus, CAO