Community Health Improvement Plan
At a Glance

Vision
Oral health for all.

Mission
Through collaboration with stakeholders, the Oral Health Long Beach program serves the greater Long Beach community by connecting people to quality oral health education and dental care.

Values
Inclusiveness • Cultural Sensitivity • Optimal Health • Unified • Commitment • Equity

OHLB GOALS & OBJECTIVES 2019-2023

Goal 1.
Children have established regular dental visits and have positive oral health habits.

OBJECTIVE A. Increase the number of children age one who have seen the dentist 10% by 2021.
OBJECTIVE B. By the 2020-2021 school year, 5% more kindergarten dental assessments are returned to the LBUSD, and each year thereafter.
OBJECTIVE C. Increase the number of providers who accept Medi-Cal Dental Program 10% by 2020.
OBJECTIVE D. By 2021, OHLB parents survey shows children of all ages consume 10% more fluoridated tap water

Goal 2.
Adolescents and teenagers avoid habits that are harmful to their immediate and long-term oral health (tobacco use, sugar consumption).

OBJECTIVE A. In both 2021 and 2023, survey results demonstrate a 10% reduction in poor oral health habits.
OBJECTIVE B. By 2021, 10% more children ages 5-10 have sealants.

Goal 3.
Pregnant women practice good oral health habits including seeing a dentist.

OBJECTIVE A. In both 2021 and 2023, survey results show an increase of 10% of pregnant women going to the dentist. (OHLB's 2019 Survey shows that 72.34% did not go while pregnant, though 38% had visited a dentist in the last 12 months.)

Goal 4.
Homeless population has an increased opportunity for dental care and is aware of the dangers of tobacco use and risks associated with health conditions like diabetes and HIV/AIDS.

OBJECTIVE A. In both 2021 and 2023, survey results show an increase of 10% homeless persons naming a dental home. (OHLB's 2019 Survey shows that 28.30% have a dentist.)
OBJECTIVE B. In both 2021 and 2023, survey results indicate a decrease of 10% homeless tobacco use. (OHLB's 2019 Survey shows that 58.49% use tobacco.)

Goal 5.
Older Adults 65+ are aware of the importance of regular dental visits.

OBJECTIVE A. In both 2021 and 2023, survey results show an increase of 10% of older adults age 65+ naming a dental home and maintaining good oral health. (*OHLB's 2019 Survey shows that almost 40% do not have a dentist.*)