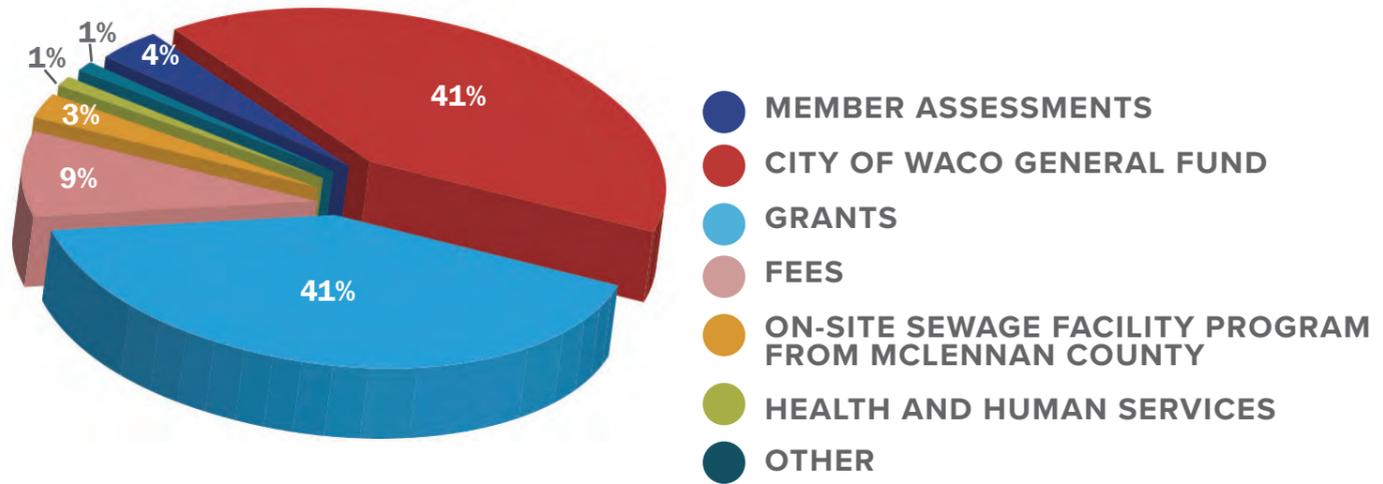
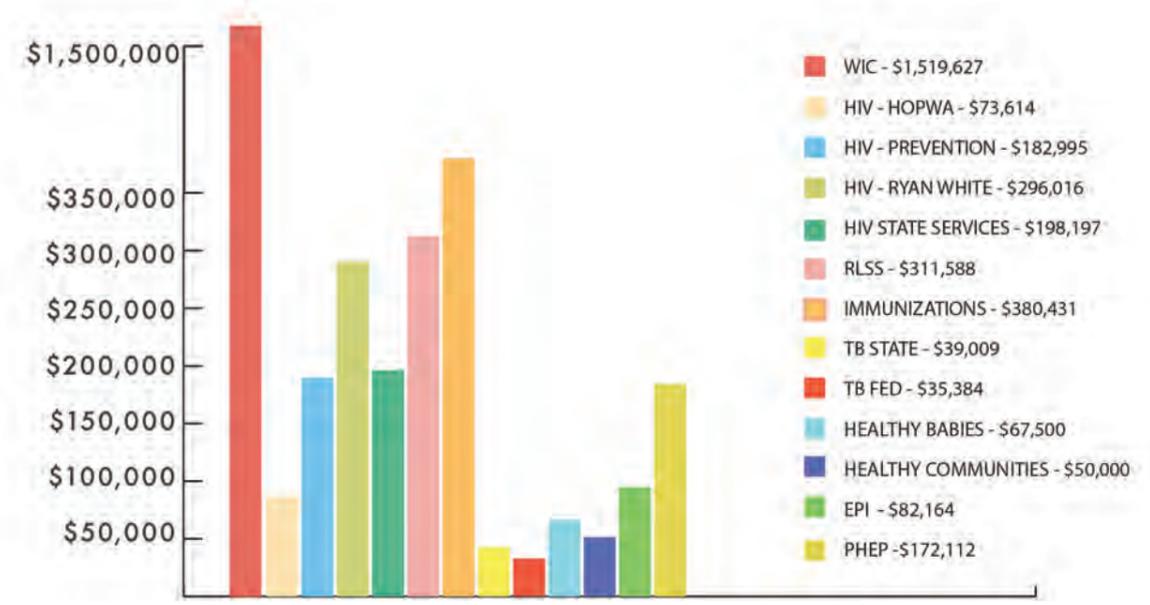


FUNDING / FINANCIALS

Fiscal Year 2018 - \$8,582,783



Grants and Grant Program Income



Create the Healthiest County in Texas
where all people can

LIVE, PLAY, WORK and THRIVE

PROMOTE PREVENT PROTECT

PROMOTE

- WIC breast feeding peer counselors are available at Baylor Scott and White Medical Center-Hillcrest and Providence Health Center to encourage and support new mothers to breast feed.
- The Health District collaborated with the Waco Downtown Farmer's Market to sponsor additional cooking demonstrations held at the Farmer's Market and to launch the "SNAP Double Dollar" program. SNAP participants get double the amount for any SNAP purchases made at the Farmer's Market.

PREVENT

- The Community Health Worker program provided services to 175 clients from referrals received from local hospitals and partner agencies.
- The Immunization Clinic gave 9,860 immunizations to 5322 clients.
- The Preparedness program coordinated the Health District's efforts in response to Hurricane Harvey, including staffing the Shelter Reception Center to conduct Shelter Medical Assessments and monitoring of impacts to local healthcare facilities.

PROTECT

- The Epidemiology division responded to a Legionnaires' disease outbreak. The department coordinated with the Texas Department of State Health Services and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention to successfully identify areas of concern and develop a response plan.
- The Health District staff coordinated a Public Health response to elevated lead levels in Waco by developing the first city ordinance on lead in the State.



HONORS - The health District received ...

- The Education Through Innovation award for the WIC Mock Grocery store from the Texas Association of City and County Health Officials
- Texas Public Health Association 2018 Presidents Award
- McLennan County was assessed by the Texas Department of State Health Services during the spring of 2018 to evaluate the presence of policies and environments that promote health to reduce risk factors for chronic diseases, and achieved the Gold recognition level as a Texas Healthy Community for the second year in a row.
- The Health District was honored to be listed as one of the 46 Reasons to Love Waco in the May issue of Wacoan Magazine.



AWARD WINNER

The Health District was recognized as a Spotlight Award Winner in the Healthiest Cities and Counties Challenge.

The Health District was selected in January to receive \$25,000 as part of the Healthiest Cities & Counties Challenge (the Challenge) Spotlight Award. Ten winners and five honorable mentions were selected for their ability to address the need to improve opportunities for all Americans – regardless of income, education or ethnic background – to take an active role in healthy living.

The award is part of the Healthiest Cities & Counties Challenge, an initiative launched in 2016 by the Aetna Foundation, along with the American Public Health

Association and the National Association of Counties, empowering 50 small-to-midsize cities and counties to implement innovative solutions for their local public health issues. The 15 selected organizations have tackled community-specific health disparities head-on and developed practical, evidence-based strategies to improve health conditions and promote healthy living.

Through the Challenge, the Health District has work with The Veggie Van, Family Health Center, The Live Well Waco Coalition and others to ensure access to healthy fruits and vegetables throughout our community.



COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS

The McLennan County Community Health Worker Initiative (MCCHWI) is a grassroots, community-based health initiative utilizing the knowledge and experience of McLennan County community members to improve individual and community health in the county. According to the American Public Health Association, a Community Health Worker (CHW) is a trusted member of and/or has an unusually close understanding of the community served. CHWs are responsible for helping community members and their families navigate and access community services, community resources, and adopt healthy behaviors. Under the direction of the coordinator, the primary work of the CHW is to promote, maintain, and improve the health of others. The first class of 11 CHWs graduated in January and are working closely with their respective communities to improve health.

TEXAS PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

The Waco-McLennan County Public Health District was honored to be the local public health host for the Annual Texas Public Health Association conference. Over 600 Public Health Practitioners from around the State converged on Waco in March to learn the latest innovations and trends in Public Health. The Health District partnered with the City of Waco Planning Department, the Family Health Center, Mission Waco and the Waco Development Corporation to give attendees an opportunity to visit all of the exciting projects that our community is promoting to improve public health.

