# **Snapshot of** Cambria County, Pennsylvania

July-December 2021 Progress Report



### Goals

- Strengthen collaborative relationships between local social service providers, health care providers and the community
- Increase access to food security services and health care through community health workers
- Collaborate with partners to inform and create a community-wide healthy food access approach supported by the creation of a Local Food System Coordinator position
- Expand at-risk population to be served by **Community Care HUB**
- Support systems-level policy change for community health workers



## By the Numbers

- 46 individuals provided with health care services, such as medical referrals and screenings and support for mental health, oral health, postpartum care and substance use
- 24 health education pathways closed by community health workers on topics such as family planning, diabetes, depression and pregnancy

## **Success Story**

Two 1889 JCPH staff became community health worker certified trainers, and two community members became CHW certified trainers specialized in health education. This offers an exciting opportunity for residents looking to become community health workers. Local training will expand the reach of community health workers and the HUB infrastructure both within Cambria County and in surrounding counties.

"The Challenge has influenced our recognition that we can create the change and infrastructure we need to grow the CHW workforce within our own community. We now have the expertise, knowledge and capacity to train HUB [community health workers] with local experts."

Leanna Bird, **1889 Jefferson Center for Population Health** 





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