INTRODUCTION:

Stakeholders who attended or were invited to attend Cottage Health’s internal and external Listening Tour were engaged again through an anonymous online survey to help Cottage Health prioritize the health indicators highlighted in the Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) report based on the following criteria: need, urgency, collaboration among community organizations, health disparities (i.e., racial/ethnic, low-income, or low education), and community resources available.

RESULTS:

Urgency • Table 1: Perception of Significant Urgency: “Please rate the following health indicators based on the perceived urgency in the community.” Urgency is defined as the degree to which the issue is perceived as a problem that needs to be addressed.

Need • Table 2: Perception of Significant Need: “Please rate the following health indicators based on need.” Need is defined as the extent to which the issue has not been addressed.
**Disparities** - Table 3: Perception of Significant Disparities: “Please rate the following health indicators on the extent to which certain populations (e.g., racial/ethnic, low-income, or low education) are adversely affected.”

**Collaboration** - Table 4: Perception of Collaboration: “Please rate the following health indicators based on the extent to which community organizations in Santa Barbara County are collaborating effectively to address the issue.”
**Community Resources** - Table 5: Perception of Community Resources: “Please rate the extent to which resources exist in the community to address the health indicators.”

**CONCLUSION:**
Survey results revealed mental health, housing insecurity, access to care (cost of care, access to primary care provider, and insurance coverage), and diabetes were consistently rated high on need, urgency, and health disparities across all of the health indicators. However, there was very little overlap with the indicators thought to have the greatest community capacity. In other words, community resources and collaboration are happening in areas that are not of highest need. Results from this survey helped to better inform Cottage Health's prioritization of health needs.