

Prioritization Process

Prioritization was a two-step process in Springfield. The Springfield-Greene County Health Department convened community stakeholders to discuss the issues of feasibility and community readiness for each of the assessed health issues. Stakeholders included:

- City of Springfield—Planning Department
- Community Partnership of the Ozarks
- CoxHealth
- Drew Lewis Foundation
- Mercy
- Missouri Alliance of YMCA
- Missouri State University
- Missouri Job Center
- Ozarks Food Harvest
- Ozark Greenways
- Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce
- Springfield-Greene County Health Department
- Springfield-Greene County Parks

Each element of feasibility and readiness was defined and discussed to build mutual understanding of the priority elements. Stakeholders discussed each assessed health issues and the elements of feasibility and community readiness. Stakeholders then individually rated each element. This data was compiled, and averages were produced by the Springfield-Greene County Health Department. The ratings for each element, and the final score of all assessed health issues were then presented to the Healthy Living Alliance Advisory Council. The Advisory Council confirmed the ratings and selected the final prioritized health issues.

	Mental Health	Lung Disease	Heart Disease	Cancer	Oral Health	Diabetes
Prevalence	3	3	2	1	3	2
Prevalence Trend	3	3	2	1	3	3
Prevalence Comparison to Nation	4	1	1	2	4	1
Mortality (Score)	1	1	4	4	1	1
Mortality Trend	4	3	2	2	1	1
Mortality Comparison to Nation	4	4	2	1	1	1
Hospital ED Data	4	4	4	2	1	2
Hospital Clinic Data	4	4	4	4	1	4
Regional Survey Results	3.68	3.24	3.46	3.52	3.29	3.41
Feasibility - Complexity of The Issues	1.36	3.18	3.00	2.64	3.55	3.00
Feasibility - Level of Control at Local Level	2.36	3.00	3.27	2.36	3.00	3.00
Feasibility - Clear Path for Implementation	2.36	3.45	3.82	2.27	3.09	2.91
Readiness - Current Organizational Leadership	3.45	3.56	3.91	2.64	2.18	2.36
Readiness - Coordinated Community Efforts	2.73	3.00	3.09	1.73	2.00	1.82
Total Score	42.94	42.23	41.55	32.16	32.11	31.50
Priority Rank	1	2	3	4	5	6