Our goal is to help people achieve a better life. We do this by helping people overcome or make progress despite the obstacles blocking their paths to self-sufficiency. By working together to improve the health of our entire community, St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services protect, promote and improve the quality of life in St. Louis County through a diverse set of programs, projects, programs and initiatives that work at all levels and throughout our community.

The Lives We've Touched in 2018.
### Frigid Winters Warm Hearts

To provide emergency, supportive, and transitional housing, St. Louis County applies for and coordinates over $4 million through competitive state and Federal funding to support community organizations. This year the county funded additional warming centers. The need is paramount, as St. Louis County’s homeless population has grown 23% in the past three years.

#### SOUTH

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<td>The warming center was open for 29 nights, providing shelter to 164 individuals this past winter.</td>
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<td>St. Louis County partnered with CHUM and the City of Duluth to open this warming center in west Duluth.</td>
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<td><strong>$867,527</strong> in emergency assistance benefits, assisting 1,155 households to secure stable housing &amp; prevent homelessness</td>
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#### PROTECTION AGAINST ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARDS
- 152 follow-up appointments for acute lead toxicity - 82 public health nuisance follow-ups

#### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
- 2,105 students reached through Public Health substance abuse prevention efforts
- 407 children and 573 adults served through mental health case management
- 246 individuals civilly committed, 201 for mental illness and 46 for substance use disorder
- 653 rule 25 assessments completed for substance use, in addition to an additional 1,037 in correctional settings
- 173 individuals supported through community-based mental health services (ACT and T-ACT)

#### ADULT PROTECTION
- 1,763 reports received, 256 cases opened - 49 court visits for adults getting guardianship

#### PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, CHRONIC ILLNESS, BRAIN INJURIES & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
- 5,603 calls triaged in Adult (n=3) - 1,207 people served with intellectual disabilities
- 1,659 new/initial MnCHOICES assessments completed for access to a variety of services
- 1,199 people served with disability waivers
- 73 with semi-independent living services (SILS) & 28 people helped with family support grant
- 1,196 corporate foster care beds in SLC, 179 family foster care beds – 544 of those served are from other counties

#### AGING AND ELDERLY
- 517 individuals served with home and community-based services through waiver programs
- 945 served through career coordination in the community or skilled nursing facilities

### Financial Needs/Safety Net

#### MN FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM (MFIP)
- Avg. month: 3,242 households received MFIP totaling $11 million in temporary monthly cash and food benefits to help families meet their basic needs, plus employment assistance to help families return to self-support.

#### GENERAL ASSISTANCE
- Avg. month: 3,270 individuals served with a total of $5.2 million provided in General Assistance and Minnesota Supplemental Aid (MSA) cash. Provided to adults who are disabled, have a serious illness, or other issues limiting their ability to work.

#### HEALTH CARE
- Avg. month: 44,904 low-income individuals received healthcare through Medical Assistance (Medicaid).

#### CHILD SUPPORT
- 9,539 child support cases serviced with a total of $23.2 million collected in Child Support.
- Program encourages family self-sufficiency and child well-being.

#### SNAP: SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
- Avg. month: 14,709 individuals served for a total of $18 million issued as a monthly benefit, providing an average of $101/person to ensure food security for 9,525 households.

### Duluth

Service centers are conveniently located in four cities throughout our County. Each center provides access to a full range of financial, social and public health services.