

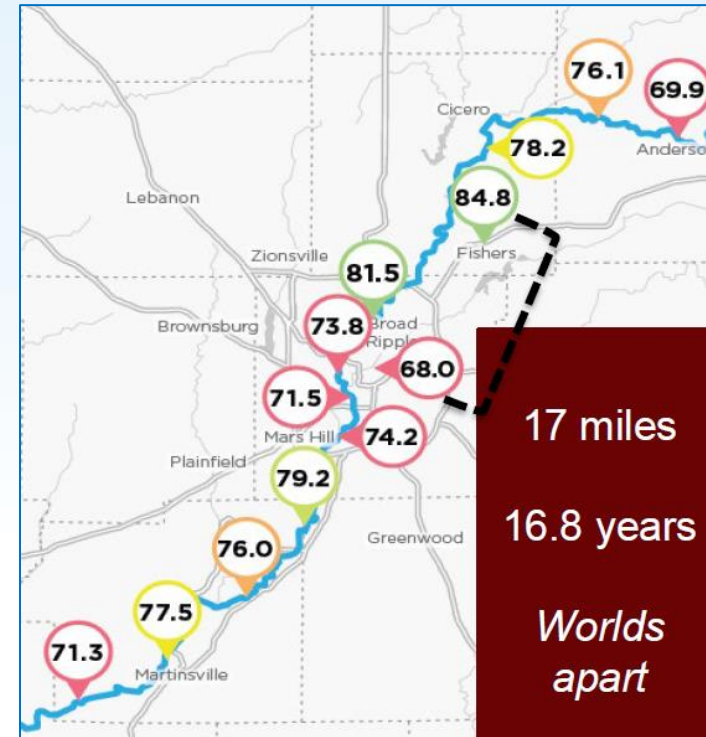


# Achieving Health Equity by Addressing Social Determinants of Health

May 2023

# Eskenazi Health SDOH Goals

- Integrate social care into medical care practices.
- Engage our network of community partners.
- Reduce disparities in health care outcomes.
- Improve longevity and quality of life.



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Worlds Apart Report 2021*

# Social Determinants of Health Timeline

- Chapter 1 (1998-2018)
  - Dozens of small centers of excellence
  - Dozens of clinical studies testing team-based models of care
  - Dozens of successful partnerships
- **How do we apply these innovative strategies system-wide?**





# Social Determinants of Health Timeline

- Chapter 2 (2019)
  - Conceptualizing a system-wide SDOH infrastructure
  - Cataloguing Eskenazi Health assets and expertise
- Chapter 3 (2020)
  - Eskenazi Health Foundation funding (\$500K) to launch efforts
  - Recruiting leadership for SDOH community activities
- Chapter 4 (2021)
  - Internal: Integrating social care and medical care workflows
  - External: Expansion of community referral workflows



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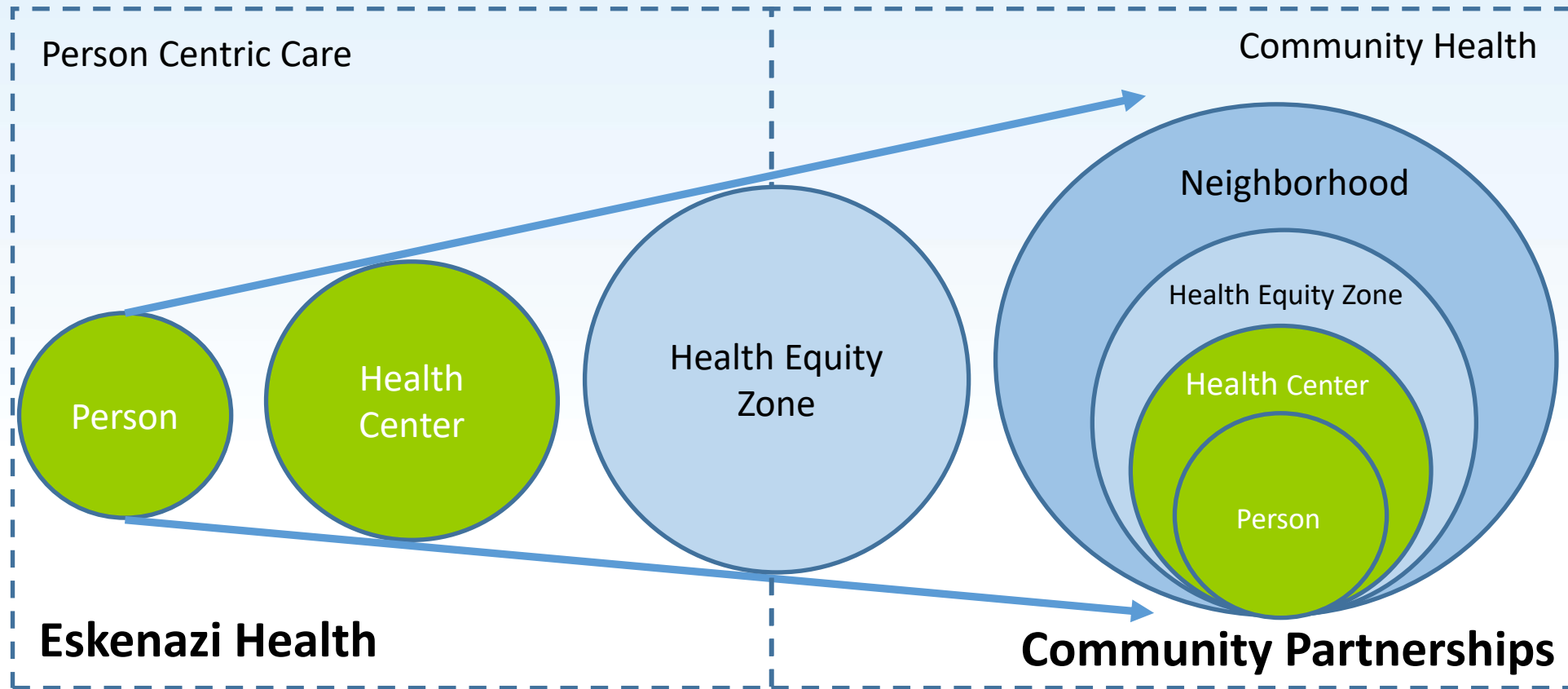
- Chapter 5 (2022)
  - Implementation of workflow changes in primary care
  - Engage the new workforce supported by extramural funding
    - Community Health Workers
    - Community Health Weavers
    - SNAP Counselors
  - Eskenazi Health Foundation next steps funding (\$800K)
    - Build strategic plan for Health Equity Zone infrastructure
    - Expansion of operations for Fresh for You Market concept

# Social Determinants of Health Timeline

- Chapter 6 (2023)
  - Expand our project management and operational support
  - Expand Food as Medicine infrastructure systemwide
  - Continued efforts to integrate SDOH infrastructure system-wide
  - Launch Health Equity Zones



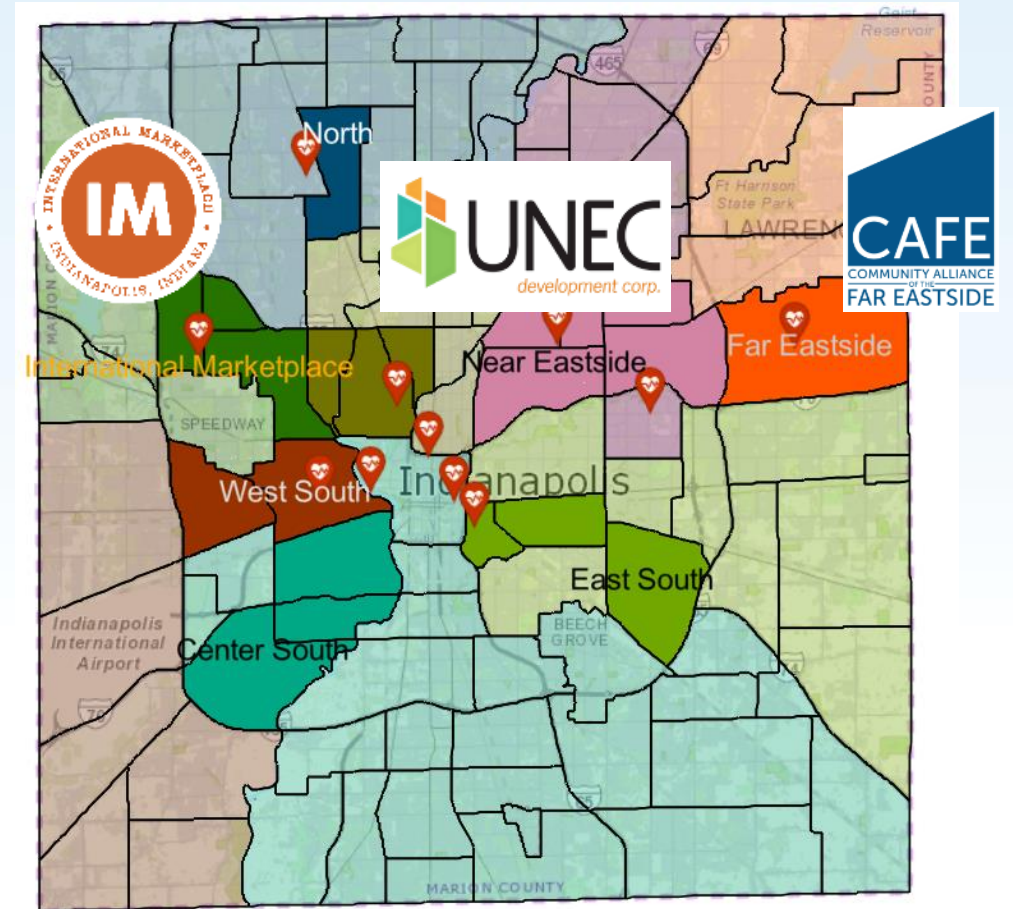
# Moving from Patient-Level Care to Community-Level Interventions





# What is a Health Equity Zone?

- Defines a geographic areas where Eskenazi Health deploys its health care capacity in partnership with community-based organizations
- Creates a healthy neighborhood through a shared vision and joint implementation of health goals
- Addresses social determinants of health including racial equity and economic mobility





# A Growing Leadership Team But a Cast of Hundreds!



2020



2022



2021

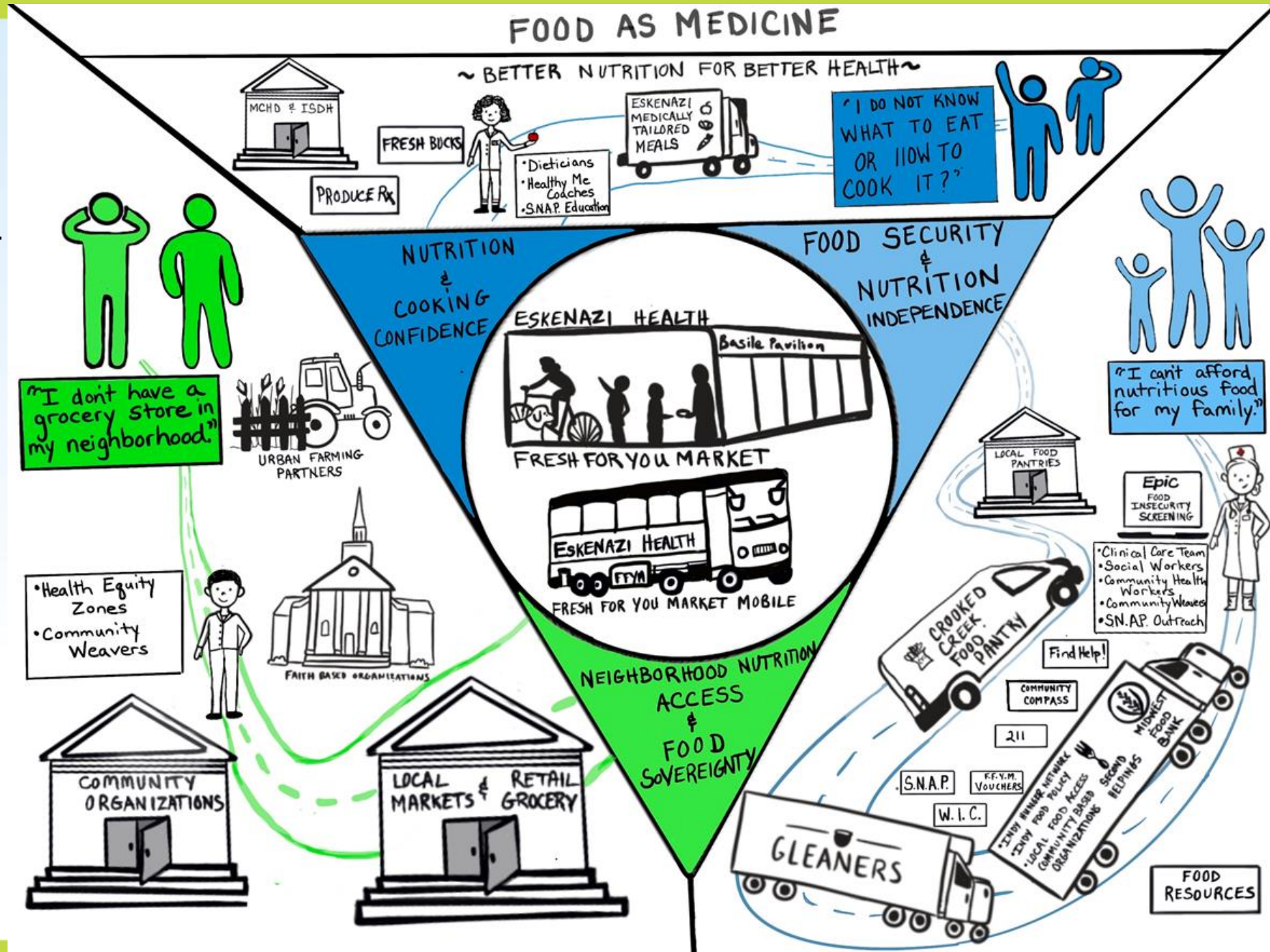
# Eskenazi Health- Food is Medicine

- Asking and Listening-
  - 2019 Food Insecurity Screening in EMR
  - 2022 SNAP Enrollment Screening
- Responding and Connecting-
  - 2015- Crooked Creek Co-located Food Pantry
  - 2019- Food is Medicine Group Visit Programming
  - 2020- CFAP Food Distributions; Aunt Bertha/Find Help! Launch
  - 2021- Fresh For You Market/Pantry Hybrid Launch
  - 2022- SNAP Outreach Coordinators Hired
  - 2023- Fresh For You Market/Pantry Hybrid on Wheels Launch; After Visit Summary Auto-Print Resources; FFYM Voucher Auto-Print



# Food is Medicine:

1. Do you have access to a grocery to purchase healthy food options?
2. Do you have the financial ability to purchase healthy food options?
3. Do you have the cooking and nutrition education to prepare healthy food options?





# Food is Medicine: Asking

## Food Insecurity Screening- "Hunger Vital Signs"

### Food Insecurity

Within the past 12 months, you worried that your food would run out before you got the money to buy more.

[Sometimes true](#) taken yesterday

Never true

**Sometimes true**

Often true

Patient refused



Within the past 12 months, the food you bought just didn't last and you didn't have money to get more.

[Sometimes true](#) taken yesterday

Never true

**Sometimes true**

Often true

Patient refused



Do you or someone in your family receive SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)?

Yes, I or a family member receive SNAP

No, do not need or qualify at this time

**No, I would like additional information and assistance**

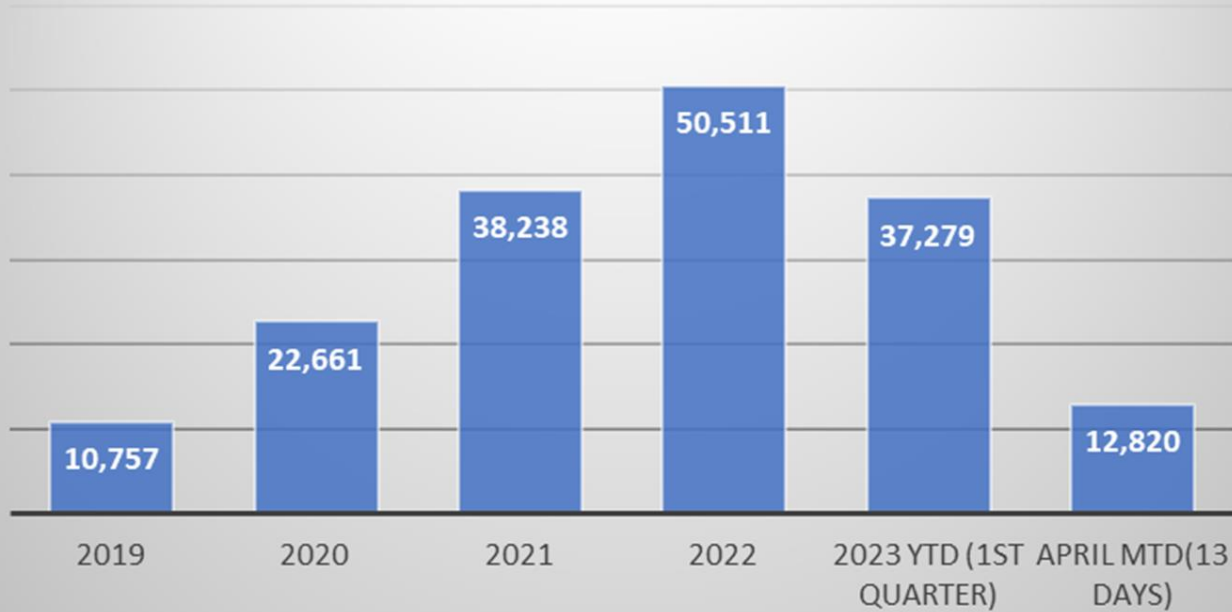
Decline



# Food is Medicine: Listening

## Eskenazi Health-Food Insecurity Screening Data

**EH SDoH Completed Screening Visits**



Year	% Visits Screened for Food Insecurity	# Visits Screened for Food Insecurity	% Positive Screens for Food Insecurity	# Positive Screens for Food Insecurity
2019	6.7%	10,757	33.1%	3,556
2020	15.4%	22,661	35.3%	7,998
2021	23.5%	38,238	27.4%	10,485
2022	30.2%	50,511	28.0%	14,143
2023 (ytd)	39.3%	40,439	30.2%	12,210





# Food is Medicine: Responding Crooked Creek Food Pantry



- Crooked Creek Food Pantry co-located in Eskenazi Health Center Pecar
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest food pantry in the Marion County, serving 3,500 – 4,500+ families monthly
- Over 150 volunteers per week, with core group of “regular/rock star” volunteers
- Culturally and Medically Tailored Food Options implementation project



Year	Households	
2015	5,279	
2016	10,393	
2017	11,080	
2018	11,343	
2019	18,444	
2020	24,273	
2021	25,912	
2022	37,818	
2023	48,840	First 4 months annualized

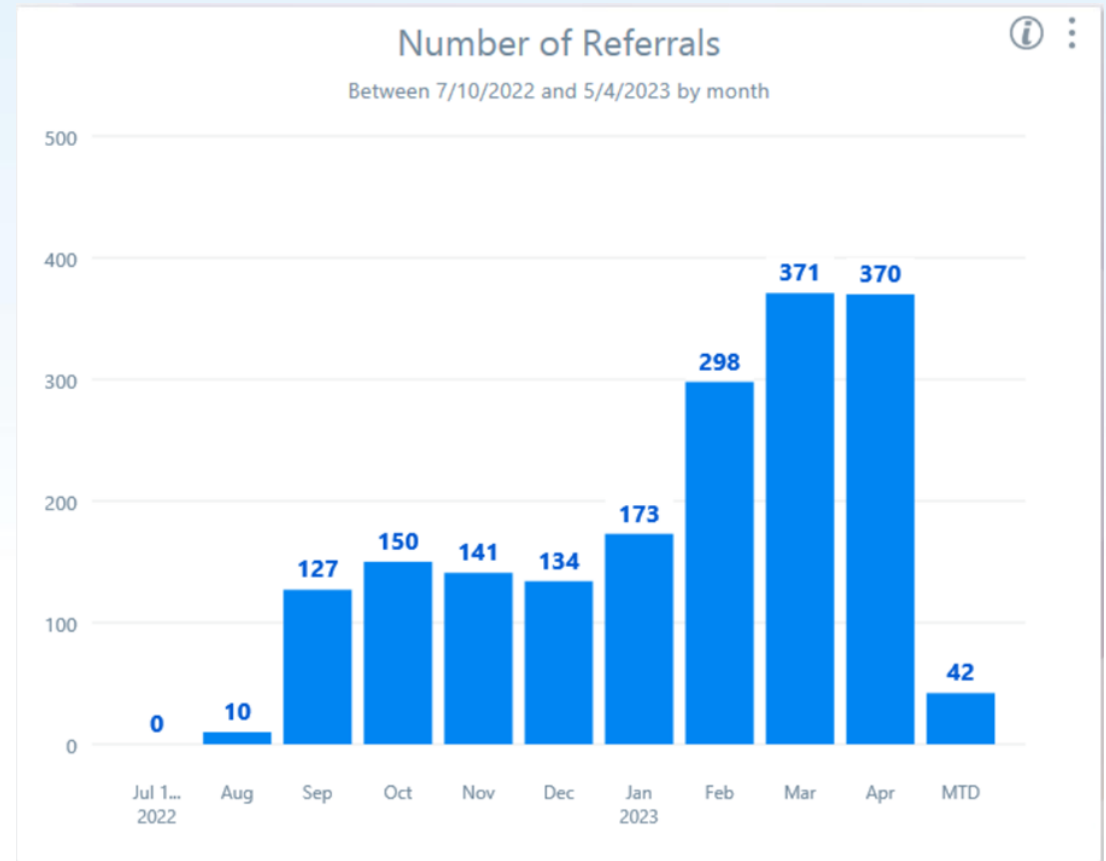
“Food is Medicine” Group Visits in FQHC Co-located Crooked Creek Food Pantry- 2019



# Food is Medicine: Responding Eskenazi Health- SNAP Outreach

## April 2023 Food Insecurity Screening:

- ~9500 patients were screened for food insecurity in April 2023
  - 1250+ indicated interest in SNAP (13%)
  - 1900 indicated current SNAP benefits (20%)
- 370 referrals also made to the SNAP program during this period.



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