



CALEDONIA + SOUTHERN ESSEX
Accountable Health Community

NEK Prosper! Draft Data Driven Problem Statement

Due to stigma, marginalization and systemic inequalities, not everyone in Caledonia and Southern Essex Counties has fair and just opportunity to prosper (be financially secure, mentally healthy, physically healthy, well-housed and well-nourished), nor safe, accessible and inclusive opportunities to participate in planning and decision-making about the health and well-being of themselves, their families and their communities.

This is true particularly for those experiencing stigma, marginalization and avoidable systemic inequalities including those associated with socioeconomic status; race, ethnicity and culture; sexual orientation and gender identity; visible and invisible disabilities; trauma, mental health and substance misuse disorders, and justice-involvement.

We aspire to build our collective and community capacity to dismantle systemic inequality and marginalization, foster community leadership and community-driven solutions and ensure fair and just opportunity to health and prosperity.

Data sources:

- [Health Equity Working Session Participant Input](#)
- [Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital Community Health Needs Assessment](#)
- [Vermont County Health Rankings](#)
- [Vermont Injury Surveillance Data](#)
- Youth Risk Behavior Survey Data ([Caledonia](#) and [Essex](#))