



ive Well Crawford County is a group of educators, business owners, health professionals and other community leaders who volunteer to achieve our mission to promote healthy lifestyle choices through education, motivation, and support for all generations and our vision is to "make the healthy choice the easy choice."

### **Community Perception**

- We surveyed people in Crawford County to see what they thought about community health. Four out of five survey respondents strongly agreed or agreed with policies to prohibit the use of tobacco and vaping products in outdoor public spaces, such as parks, trails, and sidewalks.
- Only 30% of survey respondents felt that there are sufficient options for healthy eating in our community.
- Less than half (45.3%) of survey respondents said that they strongly agreed or agreed that there were enough options for physical activity in Crawford County.

The Pathways Initiative is what our communities need in order to provide a healthy, sustainable environment in which we can live, work, and play."

> — Kim Vogel, Director of Pittsburg Parks and Recreation



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# **Crawford County**



We are excited about the Community Health Needs

Mental Health. We will be conducting interviews

identify health assets, priorities and concerns. We

Building on past work in healthy eating and healthy

greater accessibility to healthier food.

**Commercial Tobacco Control** 

Live Well Crawford County has been working to

group currently has plans to establish smoke/

with individuals from across our community to

will then develop a plan to address these items.

Assessment (CHNA) that we will be

Via Christi, Crawford County Health

completing in partnership with Ascension

Department, Community Health Center of

Southeast Kansas, and Crawford County

food access, Live Well is exploring the

around the Arma Community Garden. This

could offer the duel benefit of providing a great place for physical activity as well as

establish a strong Resist chapter in

group that aims to empower peer

and tobacco products. The Resist

our community. Resist is a youth-led

messengers to prevent use of vaping

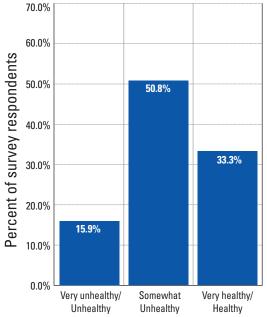
possibility of installing a walking trail

**Healthy Eating** 

Active Living



## Initiative Wide: In general, how would you rate the overall health of your community?



#### **Key findings:**

One third of respondents across the 24 *Pathways* communities said that their community was healthy or very healthy.

Results are based on data from an initiative-wide survey of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas members for whom e-mail addresses were available in each of the 26 counties in which BCBSKS has funded coalitions as part of the *Pathways to a Healthy Kansas* Initiative. N=2,857. The survey response rate was 3.4 percent.

### Number of Projects for Year 1

tobacco free parks.



38,818 Population Impacted

Pathways to a Healthy Kansas combines evidence-based solutions and promising practices for improving healthy eating, active living and tobacco prevention to make a large impact in communities. The program provides community coalitions with the tools and resources needed to remove barriers and engage their communities – and represents the largest community grant program ever funded by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas.

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