2016 Brazos Valley Health Assessment

Community Discussion Group Findings:

ROBERTSON COUNTY

Community Description

Robertson County residents describe their community as quiet, laid back, family oriented, with lots to do with larger cities nearby. Robertson County residents enjoy the rural country lifestyle, but work and partake in activities elsewhere. Even with steady growth from retirees, there is still a lack of economic infusion in the area with residents having to travel for amenities and services. Residents also noted some crime in the area.

Community Issues

Top concerns expressed in Robertson County Community Discussion Groups were:

- Lack of job opportunities
- Criminal activity, including drugs, neighborhood disturbances, and break-ins
- Inadequate Police Department
- No local retail stores
- Inadequate school system
- No local hospital
- Bad roads and lack of street signage



Robertson County had multiple concerns in multiple categories which poses significant material for discussion and interpretation. In terms of coronary heart disease and motor vehicle deaths, these were major leaders in mortality (176.2 per 100,000 and 46.3 per 100,000 respectively). Morbidity was most concerned with gonorrhea (167.3 per 100,000), and health care access and quality had primary concerns related to lack of access to primary care, and an uninsured population of 26.8%. Health behaviors indicated teen births as a leading issue (68.8 per 1,000 females age 15-19), social factors were kept to a moderate level, although physical environment displayed concerns over housing stress, limited access to healthy food, and living near highways.

