



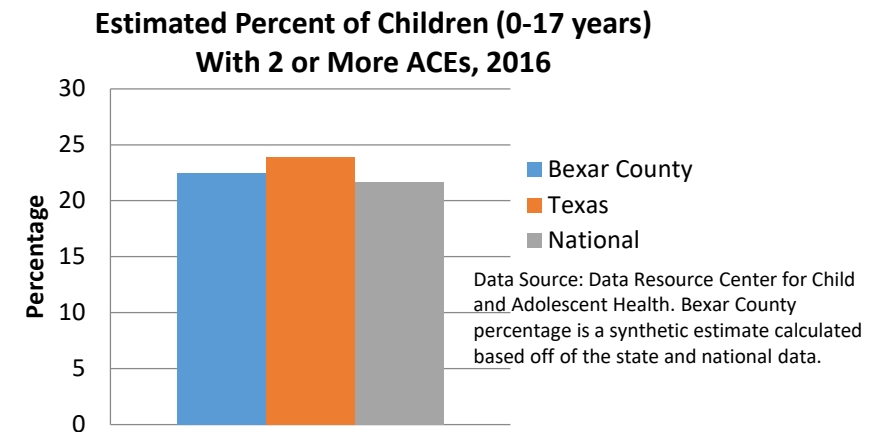
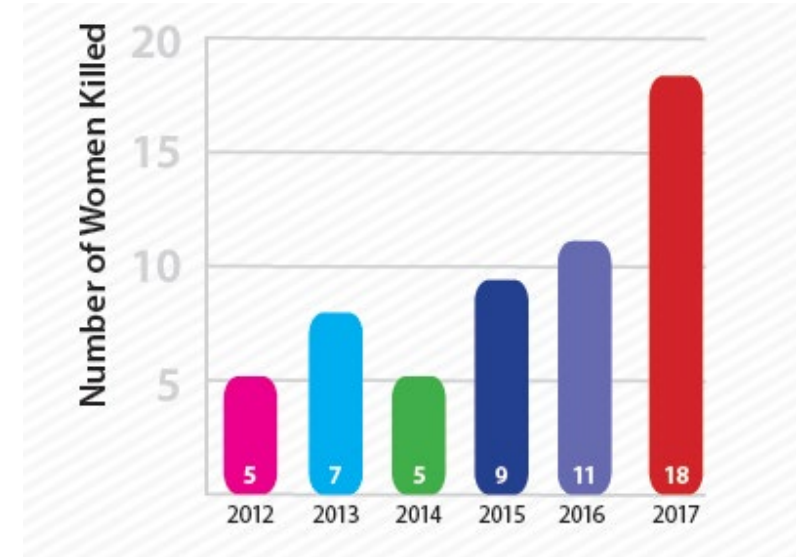
# Budget Policy Issues for FY 2020

## Strong Children and Families

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# Known Policy Issues

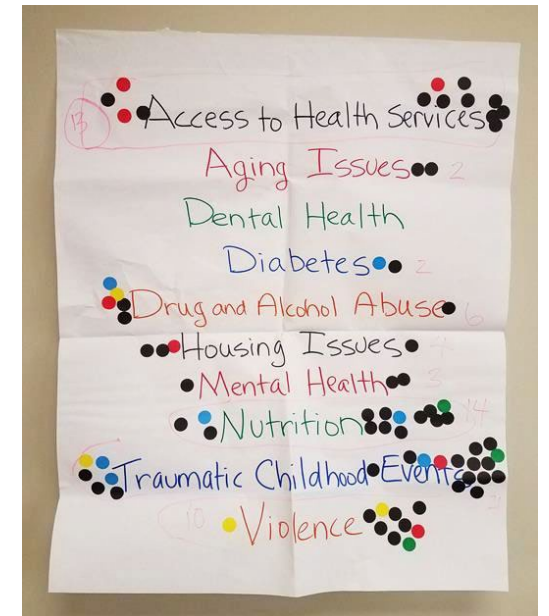
- The number of women murdered by a male intimate partner tripled between 2012 and 2017.
- An estimate 25% of children in San Antonio have experienced 2 or more adverse childhood experiences (ACEs).
- Violence against women and trauma in childhood negatively affect mental health with both being a major risk factor for mental health issues and suicide.





# What are we currently doing?

- Status of Women Report– May 2019
- Metro Health Strategic Plan-Violence and Adverse Childhood Experiences 2 of top 4 Key Health Priorities
- City-County Mental Health Gap Analysis
- Trauma Informed Care Entity Business Plan
- Bexar County Domestic Violence Task Force
- South Texas Trauma Informed Care Consortium

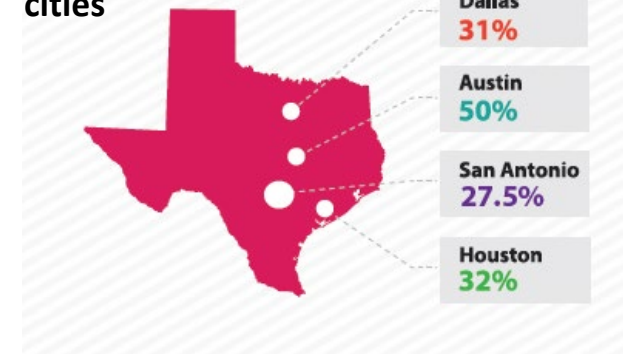




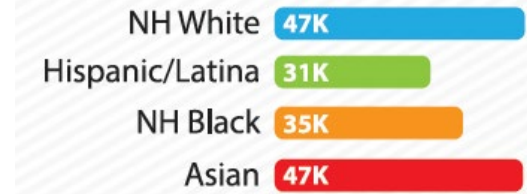
# What is the need?

- Comprehensive and holistic approach
- Examine and address early risk factors
  - low education
  - high poverty
  - being a victim of violence
- Build upon existing systems

Percent with Bachelor's Degree or higher, compared to 3 other major cities



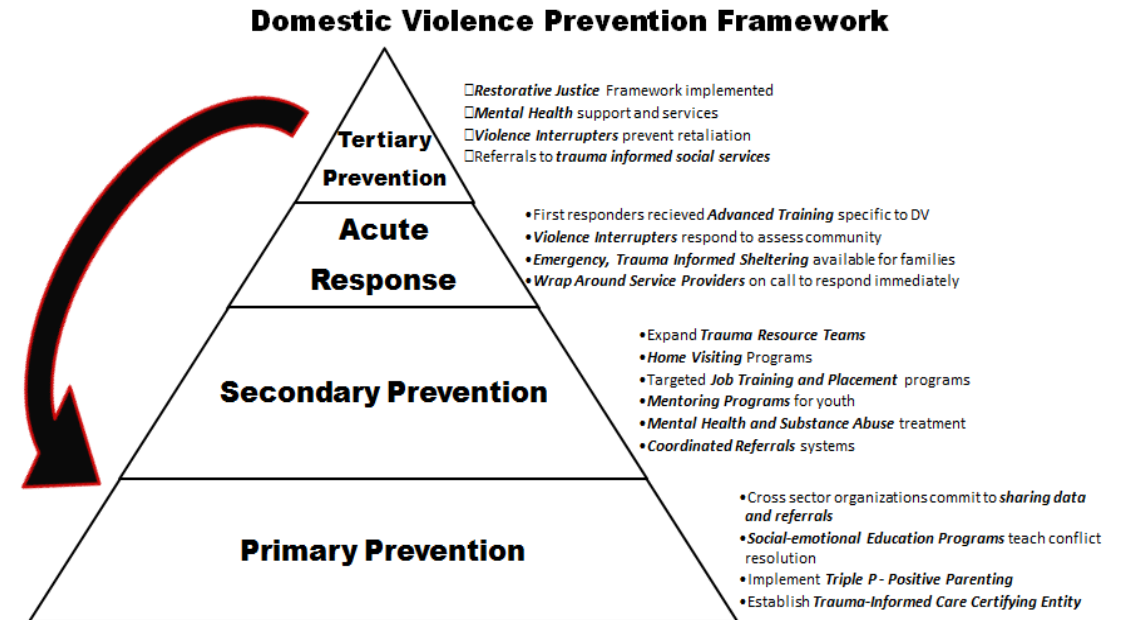
Median earnings of women in San Antonio by race/ethnicity





# The Framework

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  - Developing a framework for strategy identification
  - Primary Prevention focus
    - early intervention
    - population level response





# The Plan (Year 1)

- Comprehensive Domestic Violence Plan
  - Use framework to define broader scope
  - Chronical existing work
  - Identify/address gaps
- Status of Women CCR/Report
  - Reviewed annually
  - Rubric used to focus services and funding
- Trauma Informed Care Consortium
  - 11 Sectors
  - Prioritized work of 180 organizations



# The Plan (Year 1)

- Establish a Trauma Informed Care (TIC) Certifying Entity
  - Trauma Informed approaches increase resilience and improve school performance
- Implement Triple P – Positive Parenting Program
  - Provides communities/countries with population-level early intervention to prevent child abuse, mental illness and violent behavior
- Implement too Good for Violence
  - School curriculum shown to foster healthy relationships, resistance to substance abuse and reduce violence
- Implement Mental Health Urgent Care Clinic
  - Psychiatric services for children and adults (focus on homeless)
  - Walk-in medication services
  - Supportive services for children whose parents have mental illness



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