# **2016 LOVE YOUR HEART REPORT**

# Over 31,000 Blood Pressure Screenings Performed on Fifth Annual Love Your Heart Day

Love Your Heart is an annual, one-day event during which the County of San Diego and its partners provide free blood pressure screenings to the public at select sites throughout the San Diego region. The goal of Love Your Heart is to activate people to "know their numbers" and take charge of their own heart health. An effort that started with the County in 2011, the event has since grown to include a broad group of partners in every sector including healthcare, libraries, the fire community, universities and schools, city government, non-profits, and businesses. This truly unique event is a centerpiece of the County's vision, Live Well San Diego, for a region that is Building Better Health, Living Safely, and Thriving through the collective efforts of the entire community.

This year's Love Your Heart event took place on February 11, 2016. The event was a resounding success, with over 90 partners coming together to raise heart health awareness and inspire San Diegans to "Join the Heart Health Movement." This year, Love Your Heart also expanded to Orange County and New Bedford,

Massachusetts. Together, Love Your Heart





partners performed over 31,600 blood pressure screenings on February 11th. Additionally, in partnership with 2-1-1 San Diego, health navigators were present at some sites to assist in connecting San Diegans with needed resources.

This report highlights key findings from Love Your Heart 2016. This data will be used to inform future efforts related to heart disease in the region. The County of San Diego is deeply appreciative of our partners' collaboration in making this event, and report, possible.







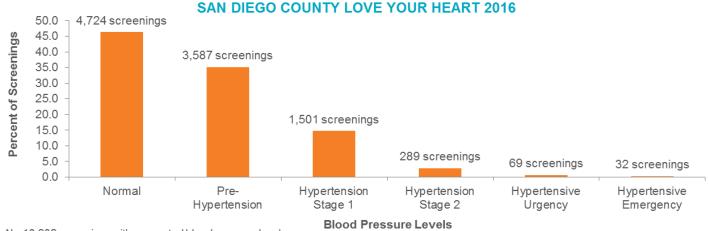
#### LOVE YOUR HEART 2016

- 31,695 blood pressure screenings were performed at 152 sites by more than 90 organizations.
- 43.5% (13,774) of these screenings were conducted in Mexico across six states (Baja California, Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon, and Tamaulipas).
- 624 screenings also took place in Orange and Los Angeles Counties and Massachusetts.
- In San Diego County, screenings were held at fire stations, schools, libraries, grocery stores, community centers, clinics, Family Resource Centers and many other locations.



#### LOVE YOUR HEART 2016 - SAN DIEGO COUNTY

- 59.0% (10,202) of the screenings conducted in San Diego County had a reported blood pressure level.
- 1 out of every 2 individuals with a reported blood pressure level in San Diego County were identified as having an elevated blood pressure.
- Of these, 101 individuals were identified as having urgent or emergent hypertension requiring immediate medical referral.



#### PERCENT OF SCREENINGS BY BLOOD PRESSURE LEVEL, SAN DIEGO COUNTY LOVE YOUR HEART 2016

N= 10,202 screenings with a reported blood pressure level

## "Today is about love. Love your heart. Love yourself."



- Jimmy Sivongsay, San Diego City College Nursing Student

Site Type	Total Screenings		Total Blood Pressure Levels Reported		Normal⁵	Pre- Hypertention⁵	Hypertension Stage 1 <sup>8</sup>	Hypertension Stage 2 <sup>8</sup>	Hypertensive Urgency⁵	Hypertensive Emergency⁵
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Clinics, Medical Facilities, and Hospitals	9,490	54.9	3,132	30.7	55.2	31.6	10.2	1.8	0.7	0.5
Public Sector Worksites	2,259	13.1	1,560	15.3	39.2	37.6	18.4	4.0	0.6	-
Retail Locations	1,218	7.0	1,206	11.8	34.2	45.4	16.3	3.4	0.5	-
Family Resource Centers	973	5.6	967	9.5	43.5	31.9	18.4	4.7	1.0	0.5
Community or Civic Centers	914	5.3	912	8.9	40.0	42.0	14.6	2.7	0.7	-
Libraries	777	4.5	779	7.6	43.6	31.6	21.4	2.4	-	-
Private Sector Worksites	730	4.2	731	7.2	48.0	34.5	13.8	2.7	0.8	-
Public Health Centers	251	1.5	238	2.3	53.8	29.4	13.9	2.1	-	-
Parks and Beaches	179	1.0	171	1.7	49.1	31.6	12.9	4.1	-	-
Senior Centers	147	0.8	146	1.4	47.9	30.8	17.1	4.1	-	-
Wellness Centers	142	0.8	144	1.4	54.2	29.2	16.0	-	-	-
Colleges or Universities	114	0.7	113	1.1	68.1	24.8	7.1	-	-	-
Fire Stations	46	0.3	46	0.5	52.2	37.0	-	-	-	-
Primary and Secondary Schools	39	0.2	39	0.4	74.4	23.1	-	-	-	-
Military/Veterans	18	0.1	18	0.2	-	55.6	-	-	-	-
Grand Total	17,297	100.0	10,202	100.0	46.3	35.2	14.7	2.8	0.7	0.3

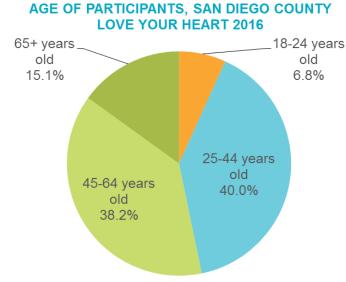
#### Blood Pressure Screenings Performed by Blood Pressure Level and Site Type, San Diego County Love Your Heart 2016

Percent is calculated out of screenings with a reported blood pressure level

-Value not reported for categories with less than 5 cases

#### LOVE YOUR HEART 2016 - SAN DIEGO COUNTY

- Nearly 8 of every 10 participants screened in San Diego County were between the ages of 25 and 64 years old.
- Two-thirds of these participants age 18-24 and half of these participants age 25-44 had normal blood pressure.
- 70% of these participants age 65 years and older had an elevated blood pressure.



N=6,403 screenings performed in San Diego County with reported age.

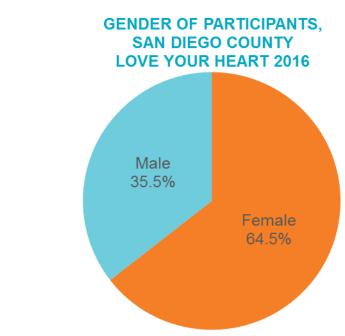


"I got my blood pressure checked because I find it very important to keep up with your health." - Maria Lewis.

Encinitas Senior Center Volunteer

#### LOVE YOUR HEART 2016 - SAN DIEGO COUNTY

- Nearly 6,500 participants screened in San Diego County provided their gender.
- 2 of every 3 participants were women.
- Half of all female participants had an elevated blood pressure, whereas 70% of all male participants had an elevated blood pressure.



N=6,493 screenings in San Diego County with a reported gender.

Hypertensive

Urgency, 0.6%

Prelypertension, 34.3%

Hypertension

Stage 2, 2.2%

Hypertension.

Stage 1, 13.3%

BLOOD PRESSURE LEVEL AMONG FEMALE PARTICIPANTS.

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Hypertensive

Emergency,

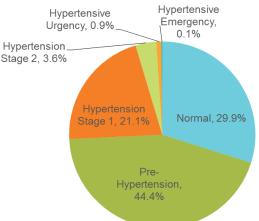
0.2%

Normal, 49.4%



"Normally, you don't get your blood pressure checked unless you were going to the doctor once a year. But if you have high blood pressure you don't always have symptoms, so it's good to keep track of your health." - Laura Werbaneth, Volunteer EMT

#### BLOOD PRESSURE LEVEL AMONG MALE PARTICIPANTS, SAN DIEGO COUNTY LOVE YOUR HEART 2016



N=4,186 screenings in San Diego County with reported female gender and blood pressure level.

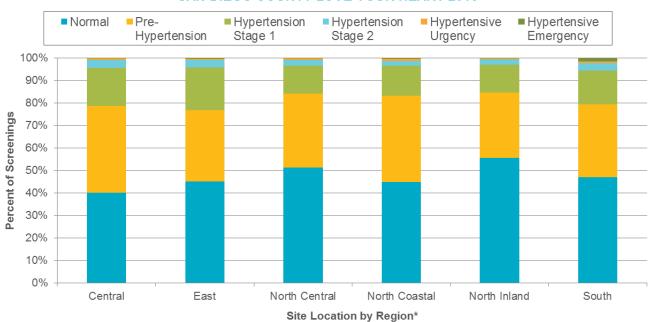
#### "I love seeing all the participants taking an active step to know more about their heart health today." - Rebecca Aricheta.

- Rebecca Aricheta, San Diego City College Outreach Mentor N=2,307 screenings in San Diego County with reported male gender and blood pressure level.



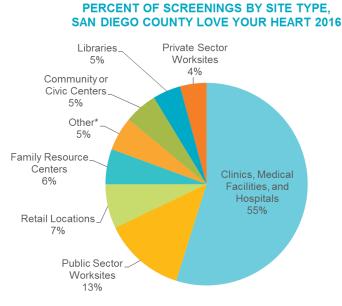
#### LOVE YOUR HEART 2016 - SAN DIEGO COUNTY

- Central and North Central Regions conducted the most screenings, each with nearly 2,200 completed.
  - 1,875 screenings were performed in Kearny Mesa, the most of any subregional area. The second highest number of screenings was done in Escondido with 976 blood pressures read.
- More than half of the screenings done in the North Central and North Inland Regions had a normal blood pressure.
- 6 of every 10 screenings in Central Region had an elevated blood pressure.



#### PERCENT OF SCREENINGS BY BLOOD PRESSURE PER SITE LOCATION, SAN DIEGO COUNTY LOVE YOUR HEART 2016

\*Health and Human Services Agency Region. N=8,766 screenings with reported San Diego County site location and blood pressure.

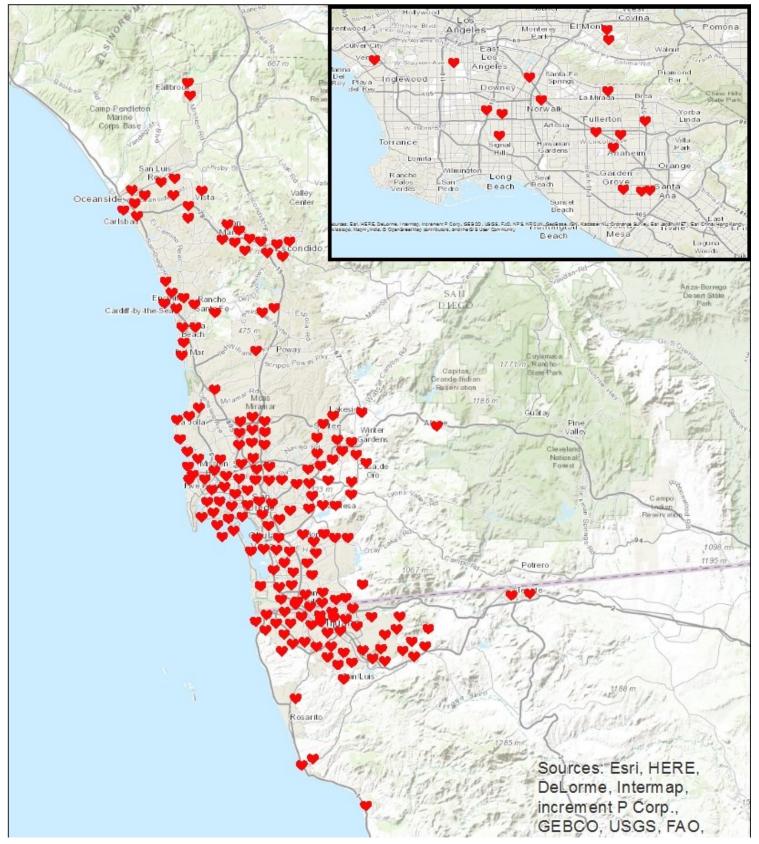


 "Love Your Heart gives us the opportunity to educate people on how to prevent blood pressure, obesity and diabetes. I really enjoy helping people in this way."
Shane Frazier, Nursing Student at San Diego State University

N=17,297 screenings. \*Other includes site types with fewer than 500 screenings.

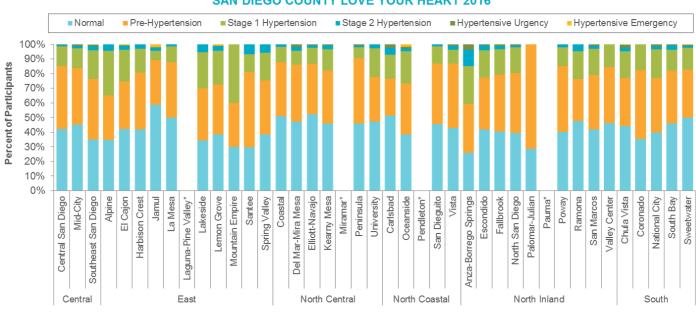
"It was a great turnout on Love Your Heart Day. Some people were a little surprised to realize what their numbers were, but it's a good thing because it encourages them to look further into their health. Hopefully that will lead them to learn about things that will help them lower or prevent high blood pressure going forward."

- Maureen O'Connor, Medical Volunteer



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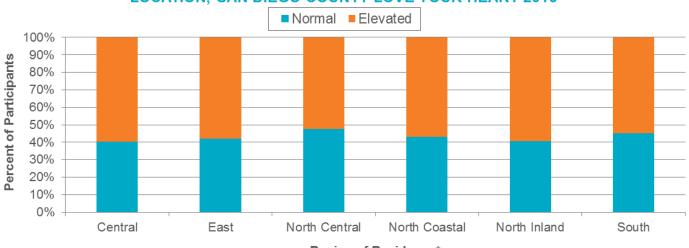
- Nearly one quarter of all participants who provided their zip code of residence live in Central Region and 21% live in South Region.
  - Among all the subregional areas, Southeast San Diego had the most participants.
- Regardless of the Region where participants lived, more than half had an elevated blood pressure.
  - 60% of North Inland and Central Region residents had an elevated blood pressure, the most of all the Regions.
- Participants living in all but five subregional areas (La Mesa, Jamul, Elliott-Navajo, Coastal and Carlsbad) were more likely to have an elevated blood pressure than a normal blood pressure.
  - 74.1% of participants living in Anza-Borrego Springs had an elevated blood pressure, the highest of any subregional area.
  - 58.7% of participants residing in Jamul had a normal blood pressure, the highest of any subregional area.



PERCENT OF BLOOD PRESSURE LEVELS BY PARTICIPANT RESIDENCE, SAN DIEGO COUNTY LOVE YOUR HEART 2016

Participant Residence by Region<sup>o</sup> and Sub-Regional Area

N=5,729 screenings with reported blood pressure level and San Diego County residence. \*Less than 5 participants residing in sub-regional area. °Health and Human Services Agency Region.

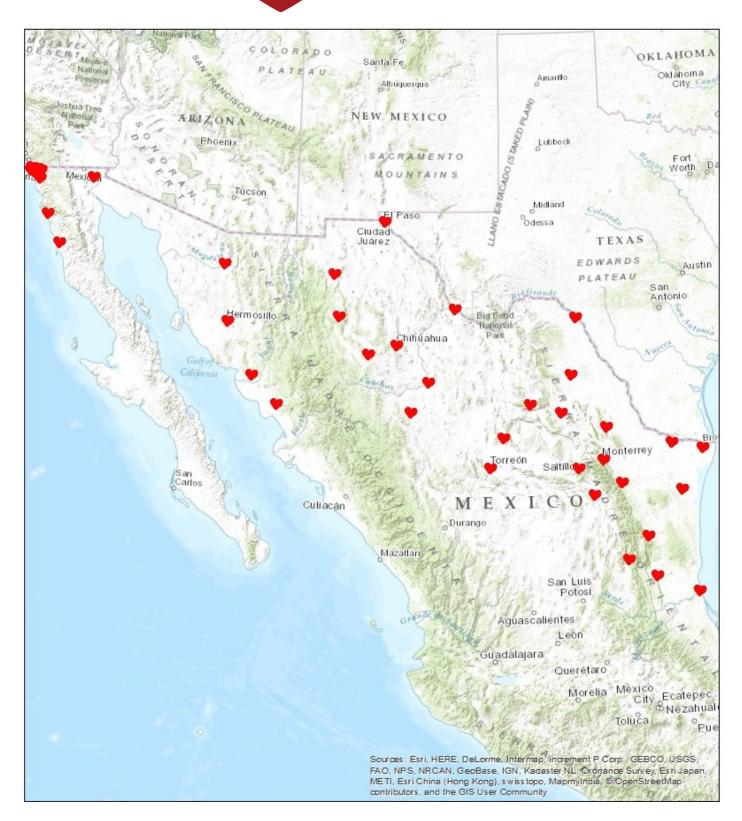


#### PERCENT OF SCREENINGS BY BLOOD PRESSURE LEVEL PER RESIDENCE LOCATION, SAN DIEGO COUNTY LOVE YOUR HEART 2016

**Region of Residence\*** 

\*Health and Human Services Agency Region. N=5,729 screenings with San Diego County residence and blood pressure reported.

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### **Binational Love Your Heart Event More than Doubles in Reach**

On Thursday, February 11, the County of San Diego and its partners celebrated the fifth Love Your Heart day, a day-long event where free blood pressure screenings were offered throughout San Diego County and the Border States in Mexico. Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States and Mexico. For this reason, it is critical that both nations work collaboratively to address the number one killer of the population.

Last year, there were just over 30 Love Your Heart sites in Tijuana, Rosarito and Tecate. This year the number of sites increased to 82 sites in the six Mexican Border States: Baja California, Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas. Mexico reported over 13,700 blood pressures taken during the day long Love Your Heart event.

As part of the binational Love Your Heart, Northgate González Market on Coronado Avenue in South Region again hosted the lead site for the binational effort. Partners from both sides of border joined to raise awareness of heart health and their services. A new partner this year, SIMNSA (Sistemas Medicos Nacionales, Sociedad Anónima de Capital Variable), a comprehensive health care service plan that was designed to provide quality healthcare for the growing U.S. workforce whose preference is to receive their healthcare coverage in Mexico, provided blood pressure checks and information. San Ysidro Health Center not only measured 55 individuals for blood pressure and BMI, but they also provided health education and counseling at the binational Love Your Heart site. Collaborative efforts made the binational Love Your Heart event a success.









"I got my blood pressure checked because it's good for me to be reminded to be healthy. My parents have had high blood pressure before, so it's important for me to have it checked."

- Tracy Mangum, Community Member







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**Encinitas Fire Department** 

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