Life in the Time of COVID-19: Stories of life under guarantine from women living on the West Side of San Antonio

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BACKGROUND

- COVID-19 pandamic is a unique time in history, yet pandamic experiences not equal.
- Those living in central San Anionio and areas immediately east, west and south of the dity. center experience higher poverty, lower educational attainment, and higher rates of morbidity and disease 1
- South and West sides of San Antonio have been hit the hardest by COMD-19, several zip. codes on the West Side having 1,000+ confirmed cases (See Map 1 & Table 1) ².
- Black and Latino communities have disproportionally experienced a loss of job, have jobs. that place them at higher risk, and are more likely to live in multigenerational homes ³.
- The partnership with Las Mujeres Westside is a long standing partnership with the School of Nursing Center for Community-based Health Promotion with Women and Children, together in collaboration with Domesticas Unidas, Las Mujeras Westside offers women support, provides opportunities and impacts communities through service, education and empowerment. Throughout the COVID-10 pendemic, Les Mujares Westside. and Domesticas Unides have remeined ective and loyal to helping the women and communities they serve.

RESULTS

- Participants had a mean age of 57.4 years, 9 were unemployed or had. reduced hours at the time of interview.
- Commonalities that arose from the interviews included:
- A reliance and trust in faith and God.
- Concern for their family/other people.
- Desire to return to work.
- Longing for personal touch.
- the steadfastness of the community at large

CONCLUSIONS

- In order to elicit change, it is important to highlight the hardships and inequilies women in these communities face.
- It is equally important to showcase realience and how the community. has come together to help each other in this time of crisis, despite limited resources.
- Results from this project will be shared with the women who participated. and the next steps to determine action will be decided upon collectively.

References

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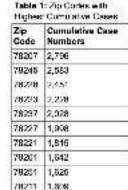
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METHODS

- IRB was submitted and project was considered non-regulated research.
- Skteen semi structured interviews were conducted with women from two. community partners Las Mujeres Westside and Domesticas Unidas.
- We used convenience sampling to select the women we would interview.
- Interviews were conducted via Zoom, telephone and face-to-face and, in the preferred language of the participant (English or Spanish).
- Interviews were recorded and transcribed verbatim.
- Participants were compensated for their time and participation in the study.
- Analysis is currently underway using Microsoft Word.
- Study team is using qualitative content analysis to analyze the data.

Map 1: COVID-19 Surveillance Map Sah Antonio Cumulative Cases





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