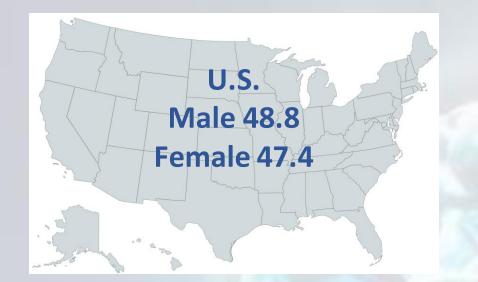
# **Community Program - Stroke**

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#### Community Need: Stroke Rates





Mecklenburg County Male 73.8 Female 75.1

## 1 out of every 20 deaths in Virginia is from stroke



### Mecklenburg County life expectancy

• Females: 2.6 years shorter than the national average and 2.3 years shorter than the Virginia state average

• Males: 3.3 years shorter than the national average and 3.7 years shorter than the Virginia state average

Contributing Factors Mecklenburg County compared to both national and state averages

- Increased rates of Diabetes
- Higher rates of smoking
- Increased rates of obesity
- Lower physical activity rates

# Two Project Plan Mission & Vision

# Provide Mecklenburg County/South Hill residents with the education and tools required to improve health and prevent stroke.

#### Educate

Host community education series that will teach at risk stroke, stroke survivors and their caregivers stroke prevention and awareness.



Improve this population's understanding of risks and provide a better understanding of healthy choices to improve outcomes.

#### Project One

**Grocery Cart Intervention (GCI):** 



GCI creates a pool of community-based volunteers to enhance the shopping experience of Walmart customer who have requested assistance from peers to make healthy dietary choices.





GCI peer volunteers explain basic nutritional information found on food labels regarding sugar, salt and carbohydrates as found on the *'Great for You'* labels of Walmart brands.



Host a five part educational series for stroke survivors which will include full scale GCI

- **1. GCI**
- 2. Physical Activity and Smoking Cessation
- 3. Hypertension and Diabetes Management
- 4. Managing Heart Disease and Obstructive Sleep Apnea
- 5. Program Review and Summary with pre test and post test assessments

The program will include education and tools for attendees to use at home to aid in disease management and nutrition planning.

#### **Projected Project Funding**

- Walmart Community Grant Program through VCU Health Community Memorial Hospital Foundation
- VA-SORH Community Paramedicine Programming Grant

# Projected Timeline



#### **Collaborative Partners**

**WCU**Health.

**Community Memorial Hospital** 



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