# Obesity's Impact on Michigan's Economy and Workforce in 2023



### **REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY \$15B**

67% of adults have obesity or overweight



\$5.3B in higher healthcare, absenteeism, and disability costs to employers



\$1.9B detrimental state budget impact



### **COST OF OBESITY ON MICHIGANERS**



Reduced Labor Force Participation

99,700 fewer adults with obesity working



Reduced Earnings for Employed Women

Women with obesity earn 9% less than women with healthy weight



Obesity-Attributed Early Mortality

17,900 premature deaths occur annually



Higher Medical Costs

\$1B spending by households

#### COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS



\$1.5B in higher healthcare costs to employers



**\$3.8B** in health-related lost workdays and disability



2.3% reduction in Michigan's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

5%-25% weight loss among adults age <65 over 10 years has potential to save \$7.1B-\$29.3B in medical costs

## **COST OF OBESITY ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

\$1.1B reduced tax revenues from lost economic activity

Medicaid

\$466M higher Medicaid spending

**Healthcare Coverage** 

\$300M for employee healthcare coverage

Public Assistance Program

\$26M in public assistance program costs

**TOTAL** 

\$792M increased spending