2021 ANNUAL REPORT



THAO FAMILY HOUSED BY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY YUBA-SUTTER IN 2021



Reducing the causes and effects of poverty in Sutter County

Top 2020-2021 Community Needs as identified in the Community Action Plan

HOMELESSNESS (PREVENTION & REDUCTION)

CREATION OF TEMPORARY/SEMI-PERMANENT HOUSING

ACCESS TO MENTAL, BEHAVIORAL & SUBSTANCE
ABUSE COUNSELING

OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGHER PAYING JOBS & REDUCED UNEMPLOYMENT

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### **2021 FUNDED PROJECTS**

# HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION and REDUCTION

Funding was allocated to Sutter Yuba Homeless Consortium to help manage a Coordinated Entry site at Hands of Hope in Yuba City, a one-stop location for homeless individuals and households for meals, showers and laundry, case management, life skills classes, legal support and referrals for housing, mental health and substance abuse services. Coordinated Entry funded partners included Adventist Health, Bridges to Housing, Casa de Esperanza, Habitat for Humanity, Hands of Hope, REST and The Salvation Army.

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Funding was allocated to Habitat for Humanity to support Harmony Village, a newly opened 62-unit permanent affordable housing facility in Sutter County for elderly, disabled and veterans with wrap around services.

# OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGHER PAYING JOBS and REDUCED UNEMPLOYMENT

Funding was allocated to E Center to provide paid internship positions for low-income college students exploring a variety of career options including early childcare, marketing, business development, finance, human resources and more.

#### SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Funding was allocated to NorCal Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing to provide information referral, communication assistance, peer counseling, employment assistance, advocacy, independent living skills and community education.

#### **SENIOR SERVICES**

Funding was allocated to Yuba-Sutter Legal Center for Seniors to provide free legal services and advocacy for low-income persons aged 60 and over in Sutter County to help them obtain or maintain their income, housing and medical care.

#### COVID IMPACTED SERVICES

Funding was allocated to eight different agencies to provide the following for homeless and low-income individuals/families affected by COVID-19:

- personal protective equipment, COVID testing
- rent, mortgage, utility and general financial assistance
- delivery of meals to homebound elderly and health compromised
- at home legal services for homebound elderly and health compromised
- rent a facility to provide COVID safe emergency shelter, meals and case management
- hotel room access for COVID exposed homeless and those with chronic health conditions

#### AGENCY CAPACITY BUILDING

Funding was allocated to Sutter Yuba Homeless Consortium to provide training to local nonprofit agencies for Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data entry. HMIS provides the necessary data to monitor the efficiency of services provided to the homeless population. It also assists in tracking the progress toward housing and self-sufficiency for homeless households.

## BY THE NUMBERS

• 3,215 individuals were served in 2021

#### **Homelessness Prevention and Reduction**

- 46 individuals received financial literacy education including budgeting, credit repair and management
- 160 individuals received rental or mortgage assistance
- 287 individuals received utility assistance
- 157 households were entered into the Homeless Management Information System to be able to receive services to help them exit from homelessness

# **Temporary and Semi-Permanent Housing** (shelters/transitional)

- 376 individuals obtained safe temporary shelter
- lacksquare 11 individuals obtained transitional housing

# Access to Mental, Behavioral and Substance Abuse Programs and Counseling

- 39 individuals obtained substance abuse counseling and attended support group meetings
- 165 individuals received medical care and/or advice through the Street Nurse program

#### **Affordable Housing**

280 individuals obtained safe and affordable housing

# Opportunity for Higher Paying Jobs and Reduced Unemployment

- 69 individuals received job readiness training and/ or vocational training, on-the-job work experience, resume development assistance
- 21 unemployed adults obtained employment



Move in day at Harmony Village

### **REVENUE**

CSBG Funding \$558,142

| <b>EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY</b>       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Employment                            | \$50,000  |
| Health/Social Behavioral Development  | \$59,170  |
| Agency Capacity Building              | \$15,937  |
| Senior Services                       | \$20,828  |
| Housing                               | \$104,975 |
| Administrative                        | \$47,401  |
| Supportive Services/Coordinated Entry | \$127,326 |
| COVID Related Assistance              | \$132,505 |



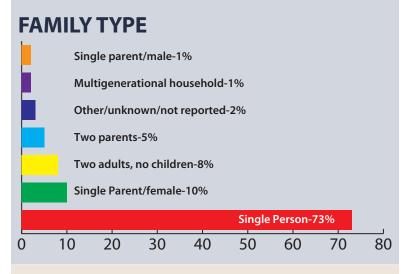
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# Who we serve

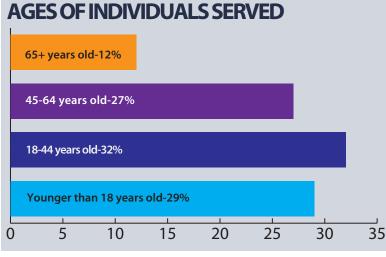
The following data demonstrates characteristics of those served by Community Action in 2021 for whom demographic information was known/collected.

**78%** of households served had income at or below 100% of the federal poverty level (\$26,500/year for a family of four)

**53%** of households served were living in extreme poverty (annual income at or below 50% of the federal poverty level, or \$13,250/year for a family of four)









Harmony Village resident, Cordelia and frier

# Local CSBG funded non-profits work together to make a difference

"My name is Cordelia. I am 31 years old. I have been homeless for 12 years. I was living at the river in Marysville for 9 years. I got pregnant at 20 and had a daughter August 2012. I gave her up for adoption as I had no income and was homeless and really sick with the beginning of my first experience of Crohn's Disease.

I went to Hands of Hope when they opened and was able to take a shower and do laundry. Hands of Hope helped me get on SSI and they helped me when I needed to go to the hospital for my Crohn's Disease. They are a big part of my homeless life.

I went into REST and was there for 3 weeks before I was accepted into Better Way, a temporary shelter in Yuba City. I was able to stay at Better Way for a little over a month and was able to continue with Hands of Hope to take showers and do laundry. In January 2021, I found a small apartment for me and my service dog at Habitat for Humanity's Harmony Village in Sutter County.

In January 2022, Habitat for Humanity reported that when Cordelia first moved in, she was new into her recovery. One year later, Cordelia has maintained her sobriety, managed her chronic illness and had a realistic 3-year plan to move out of Harmony Village into her very own Habitat Home as a homeowner.