



2023 ANNUAL REPORT

**Reducing the
causes and effects
of poverty in Sutter County**

Top 2022-2023 Community Needs as identified in the Community Action Plan

Homelessness Prevention & Reduction

Creation of Affordable Housing

Food Insecurity

Access to Mental, Behavioral & Substance Abuse Programs and Counseling

2023 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, Casa de Esperanza, Hands of Hope, REST, The Salvation Army Depot and Sutter County Health and Human Services.
- Funding was allocated to Habitat For Humanity, St. Vincent de Paul, The Salvation Army and Bridges to Housing to assist low-income individuals and families with deposits, rent and utility assistance payments to help them obtain or maintain safe and affordable housing.

FOOD INSECURITY

- Funding was allocated to Yuba-Sutter Food Bank to support their Homebound Food Delivery Program that delivers Sutter County residents who were age 65+, low-income, homebound and health compromised, fresh produce along with groceries to help reduce food insecurity.

SENIOR SERVICES

- Funding was allocated to Yuba-Sutter Legal Center for Seniors to provide no-cost 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.

AGENCY CAPACITY BUILDING

- Funding was allocated to Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation to provide nonprofit and service provider organizations with no-cost workshops, grant search subscriptions, a bi-monthly newsletter with capacity building content, grant opportunities and one-on-one technical assistance.

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BY THE NUMBERS

5,750 individuals were served in 2023

Homelessness Prevention/Reduction

- **29** individuals received financial literacy education including budgeting, credit repair and management
- **61** individuals received rental or mortgage assistance to maintain their home
- **15** individuals received utility assistance
- **26** seniors 65+ received assistance to help maintain an independent living situation
- **45** individuals received rental deposits to help obtain a home

Food Insecurity

- **52** individuals were provided prepared meals
- **147** individuals received food bags/boxes

Access to Mental, Behavioral & Substance Abuse Programs and Counseling

- **29** individuals obtained substance abuse counseling and attended support group meetings
- **54** individuals received medical care and/or advice through the Street Nurse program, improving their physical health & well-being

Affordable Housing

- **133** individuals obtained safe and affordable housing
- **67** households avoided eviction through services received

Other Accomplishments

- **51** individuals received interview skills training and/or vocational training, on-the-job work experience and resume development assistance
- **12** unemployed youth and adults obtained employment

REVENUE

CSBG Funding

\$331,486

EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY

Agency Capacity Building	\$9,238
Senior Services	\$18,000
Administrative	\$38,700
Supportive Services/Coordinated Entry	\$68,946
Health/Social Behavioral Development	\$71,421
Housing	\$125,181

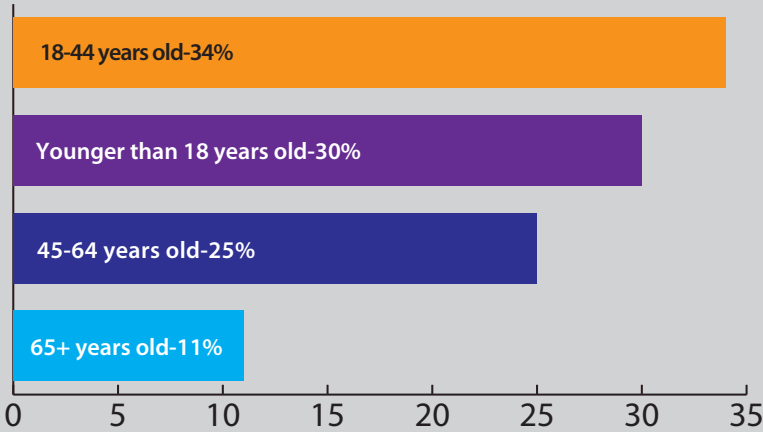
WHO WE SERVE

The following data demonstrates characteristics of those served by Community Action in 2023 for whom demographic information was known/collected.

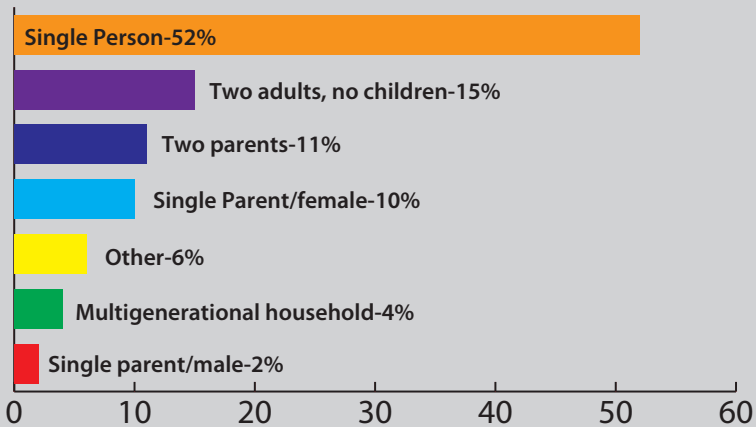
81% of households served had income at or below 100% of the federal poverty level (\$30,000/year for a family of four)

56% of households served were living in extreme poverty, annual income at or below 50% of the federal poverty level (\$15,000/year for a family of four)

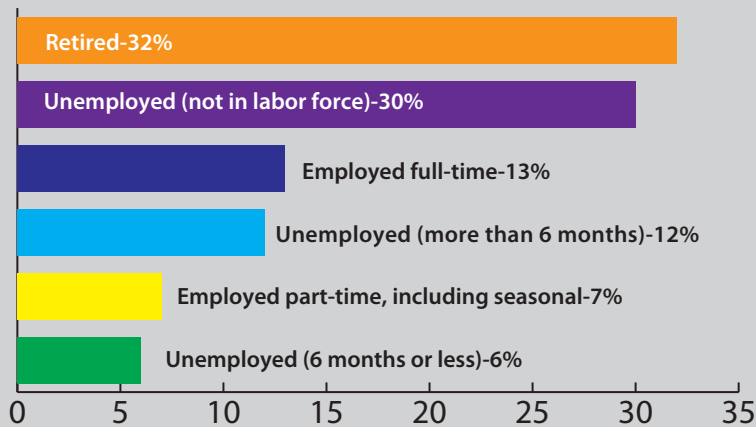
AGES OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED



HOUSEHOLD TYPE



WORK STATUS (Age 18+)



A Tale of Triumph: A Journey to Stability with Bridges to Housing

Bridges to Housing, supported by Sutter County Community Action Agency's CSBG grant funds, provides assistance to low-income and homeless families in obtaining safe, decent, and affordable housing in Yuba, Sutter, and Colusa Counties.

A dedicated single mother of three children was determined to create a better environment for herself and her family. Despite giving her 30-day notice and securing a new apartment, she faced a setback when the arrangement fell through. Struggling with the recent loss of her grandmother, who had been caring for her young son with a hearing disability, she found herself in a difficult situation, forced to stay in a hotel. With no nearby family support, unable to work due to the lack of childcare, and depleting her resources on accommodations, she sought assistance from Bridges to Housing for much-needed help.

With financial assistance provided by Bridges to Housing for a deposit, she successfully secured a new apartment and has maintained stable housing for several months. She is currently employed full-time, has resolved her childcare concerns, and her oldest child is attending school. She expressed how lost she felt, not knowing where to turn for help. She will always be thankful for the apartment she now has.

This success story is a testament to the effectiveness of programs like Bridges to Housing and the positive impact of Sutter County Community Action Agency CSBG grant funds. Congratulations to this mom on her inspiring journey towards success!

