

# Addressing Homelessness



**PRIORITY AREA: ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS**

**STAKEHOLDERS:** Ampla Health, Bridges to Housing, Casa De Esperanza, Hands of Hope, Harmony Health, Peach Tree Health, Salvation Army, Sutter County Public Health, Sutter County Superintendent of Schools, Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada and Colusa Counties, Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health, Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, Yuba-Sutter Habitat for Humanity, Partnership Health Plan

**Overarching Vision:** Ensure a safe place to live for everyone in our community

**Objective 1:** By December 30, 2027, reduce the number of unsheltered individuals by 10% from the 2023 Point-in-Time Unsheltered Count

Strategies	Actions	Lead Organization(s)	Target Date	Anticipated Product or Result	Status Description	Current Progress Updates
Increase shelter bed capacity by at least 25%	Identify funding opportunities for additional shelter beds	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	December 31, 2025	Funding to implement additional shelter beds identified	Completed	<p>9/16/2025: In Progress; Yuba-Sutter Habitat for Humanity purchased First Baptist Church in Yuba City to rehabilitate to the Life Advancement Center for sheltering services. Yuba-Sutter Homeless Consortium committed HHAP Round 4 funding to the project. This project will bring 44 emergency shelter beds and other services to the community. This project is projected to be completed by Winter of 2025.</p> <p>Casa De Esperanza notified that they will be receiving funding to add 12 beds to their shelter, no ETA as to when they will be available. They will still serve their current population.</p> <p>Habitat update: Three total phases. Rough Layout completed. 1st Phase- Dorm Layout  2nd Phase- Approximately 44 beds, family style  3rd Phase 12 beds for Medical Recuperative care  Pets have not been discussed if they will be allowed. Habitat will follow up.</p>
	Coordinate with Project Hope to implement recuperative care and sobering beds for unhoused patients discharged from the Adventist Health and Rideout Hospital needing medical support in Sutter County	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, Adventist Health and Rideout	March 30, 2026	Number of recuperative beds designated for Sutter County residents experiencing homelessness	In Progress	Project Hope construction is underway with 22 beds planned for medical respite with projected completion in early 2026.

	Develop sheltering services at Hands of Hope Day Center in Yuba City	Hands of Hope, Yuba-Sutter Habitat for Humanity	June 30, 2026	Hands of Hope capacity is expanded to include shelter beds	In Progress	Yuba-Sutter Habitat for Humanity purchased First Baptist Church in Yuba City to rehabilitate to offer sheltering services. The new location will be named the Life Advancement Center. Hands of Hope will continue to provide existing day services and additional sheltering services, including emergency shelter beds, medical recuperative beds and transitional housing beds. This project is projected for completion by Winter of 2025
	Expand the REST (Regional Emergency Shelter Team) program to offer year-round sheltering services and shelter beds	Regional Emergency Shelter Team (REST)	December 30, 2027	REST provides year-round shelter beds	Not Started	Currently do not have funding to expand sheltering services past current winter services At the time of the CHIP meeting, REST has not hired for a new director
Increase the utilization of existing shelter programs	Conduct outreach through the Homeless Engagement and Resolution (HEaRT) Team to increase the amount of engagement opportunities	Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health Homeless Engagement and Resolution Team (HEaRT)	January 30, 2024	Increase in the number of engagement opportunities to those experiencing homelessness	In Progress	HEART Team continues to conduct outreach to engage those experiencing homelessness and connect them to resources. Most shelters running at 90% capacity or higher.  The HEaRT Team conducted a successful “Pathways to Work” program in partnership with the Salvation Army and the Downtown Business Association which helped connect homeless individuals with employment opportunities
	Reinstate Open Doors, or similar program, in Sutter County to provide services, resources, and additional engagement opportunities to increase utilization of shelter services and build trust with homeless services providers	Sutter County Public Health	June 30, 2025	Open Doors, or similar program, re-established to increase the number of events held for people experiencing homelessness	In Progress	First Open Doors event held on May 2024, with the second event held November 2024. In 2025, an Open Doors event was held in June with plans to continue as a bi-annual event, with next event planned for Fall 2025

Objective 2: By January 30, 2027, decrease the number of people entering homelessness by 15% when compared to Sutter County's 2023 rate

Strategies	Actions	Lead Organization(s)	Target Date	Anticipated Product or Result	Status Description	Outcomes/Progress
Increase prevention funding	Expand the number of providers contracted through CalAIM to provide enhanced case management and community supports	Habitat for Humanity Yuba/Sutter; Sutter Yuba Homeless Consortium	January 30, 2024	Increase in number of clients receiving CalAIM wrap around services	In Progress	<p>CSBG Funding</p> <p>Once Merriment Village breaks ground it will also become a main hub for CalAIM. Residents will be enrolled in CalAIM.</p> <p>There were conversations surrounding how many providers have CalAIM services specifically for unhoused individuals. Partnership mentioned they have an online provider list. Partnership will provide homelessness specific data and send it over SCPH staff to disseminate</p> <p>Habitat for Humanity is a current CalAIM community support provider, along with a number of partners who are also CalAIM community support providers. Numbers have increased. 46 Sutter County residents housed using the DHCS housing deposit Community Support benefits in 2024 and 23 to date in 2025 with most still housed. In 2024 123 Sutter County residents signed up for community supports and 697 to date for 2025</p>
	Develop data collection system within Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) prevention program to collect prevention data that will inform future funding efforts and decision-making	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	January 30, 2025	HMIS program will collect data related to homelessness prevention including prevention need and utilization	In Progress	Homeless prevention data is being collected by Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium through HMIS system for those doing Prevention Intakes at both Coordinated Entry locations
	Seek and identify innovative or funding for prevention services	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	September 30, 2025	Funding for prevention services identified	In Progress	<p>Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium offered Prevention funds through HHIP funding, HHAP 3 funding, and upcoming HHAP 4 funding (RFP in Oct 2024). Sutter County Public Health is utilizing Sutter County Community Action Agency funding to support homeless prevention efforts in calendar year 2025</p> <p>It was noted that HHAP6 has new restrictions on use for prevention as compared to previous rounds of HHAP.</p>

Advocate for housing vouchers available for prevention	Advocate to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) at the federal level to implement housing stability vouchers in Sutter County	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	July 31, 2025	Voucher advocacy is included as legislative priority	In progress; advocacy letter has been sent to members of congress in RHA's two districts	Progress on this action has stopped due to changes at the federal level
Enhance coordination between code enforcement, homeless services providers, and supportive services	Establish policy and process for engagement between homeless services providers and code enforcement	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium Strategic Planning Committee	January 31, 2025	Engagement process to increase coordination between code enforcement and homeless services providers is established	In Progress	Sutter County Code Enforcement, Sutter County Public Health homeless Services, and social services providers coordinate homeless prevention efforts during Sutter County Adult Assessment Team (SCAAT) meetings.
	Increase timely coordination between code enforcement and homeless service providers before individuals become homeless	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium Strategic Planning Committee	September 31, 2025	Reduced timeline between initial contact by code enforcement and contact to homeless services providers	Not Started	Timely coordination between law enforcement and homeless services providers is occurring.
Promote resources to prevent homelessness	Provide outreach to the community regarding Sutter County homeless services programs	Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health, Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium Strategic Planning Committee	June 30, 2025	Number of outreach activities conducted throughout the community	In Progress	Conducted and participated in outreach events focused on increasing knowledge of County homeless services programs including Bridging Hope event, Open Doors, and Successful Connections. SYHC participated in numerous events in 2024 and 2025 sharing information about coordinated entry, including prevention programs. Other outreach events where education surrounding homelessness is provided is at Back-to-school events, Ampla Health fairs, Veterans event at the fairgrounds and recovery happens. Schools are also screening for homelessness amongst their students.
	Coordinate with California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) to develop resources and advocacy for tenant rights and homelessness prevention	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	June 30, 2025	Strategy to promote resources to tenants' rights and legal resources is established	Completed	CRLA co-hosted a fair housing summit on September 25, 2024, focused on fair housing and tenant rights resources and education.

Promote the knowledge and utilization of CalAIM resources for Sutter County residents	Create a guide listing all CalAIM community support providers in Sutter County and information on how to navigate community support resources for both homeless services providers and community members	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, Partnership HealthPlan	June 30th, 2026	A guide including all community support providers through CalAIM and resources for how to navigate the system is developed to increase knowledge of resources available to reduce and prevent homelessness	Not Started	<p>CHIP partners mentioned that there are a lot of resources out there, but they are not connected.</p> <p>Butte County has a collaboration of CalAIM providers and there was interest in the group to start a Yuba-Sutter Collaboration for CalAIM. In need of a ECM provider list for CalAIM for Yuba Sutter. Potentially a spreadsheet format would be ideal.</p> <p>Partnership has a ECMCS indicator tool on their website. Partnership can do a non-contracted provider account that allows those with those accounts to see the list in *view only* and cannot make edits. It would still be helpful.</p>
	Meet and coordinate with Butte County to discuss best practices around developing CalAIM resources and a CalAIM focused collaborative	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	September 30, 2026	Hold meeting with Butte County to discuss best practices	Not Started	New action added October 2025
	Establish CalAIM focused collaborative	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, Habitat for Humanity, Partnership HealthPlan, Sutter County Public Health	December 30, 2026	CalAIM focused collaborative is established to promote information sharing and updates to the CalAIM program	Not Started	New action added October 2025

Objective 3: By December 31, 2028, increase the number and variety of affordable permanent housing options in Sutter County by at least 100 units						
Strategies	Actions	Lead Organization(s)	Target Date	Anticipated Product or Result	Status Description	Outcomes/Progress
Ensure development of affordable housing units in Sutter County	Construct 32 affordable housing units in Live Oak	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	December 1, 2023	32 affordable housing units are established at Maple Park	Complete	This project has been in operations for over a year and is fully leased. Additionally, the Regional Housing Authority is starting construction of 133 housing units in Yuba City in October 2025
	Construct 13 affordable housing project "Innovation Housing" on Turpen Street in Yuba County with 6 units available to Sutter County residents	Habitat for Humanity/Yuba Sutter	December 30, 2026	6 affordable housing units are established in Yuba County for Sutter County residents	In Progress	Project scheduled to break ground in early 2026, projected completion at end of 2026
	Construct 217-unit affordable housing project "Merriment Village" on Walton in Yuba City	Habitat for Humanity Yuba/Sutter	Phase I: 79 Units March 31, 2026 March 31, 2027 Phase II: 138 Units December 30, 2027 December 30, 2028	217 units of Multi-Family Low Income Housing	In Progress	Projected is scheduled for summer 2026 Habitat for Humanity was meeting with Yuba City 9/16 to see if they are getting approval to move forward on the project. <b>Will need to wait for the update on the outcome of that meeting.</b>  There will be three total phases to this project. Phase three's deadline will actually be December 30th, 2028. It will be a quick turn around from when it starts.  HFH is hoping to break ground the last week of October if all goes to plan with the Yuba City approval meeting.  Difference in home key funding and home key plus funding. Home key plus funding is available and focused on veteran housing.
	Construct 20-unit Senior Center "Tranquility Harbor" in Yuba City on Walton	Habitat for Humanity Yuba/Sutter	June 30, 2025	20-unit Senior Center	Terminated	This project has stopped. Habitat for Human Yuba/Sutter will look to do this project in another location in the future

	Identify funding to develop planned affordable housing units in Yuba City	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	January 30, 2026	Funds are secured to develop planned affordable housing units	In Progress	Construction financing will close in September 2025, and construction will start in October 2025 on 133 units at Richland Housing in Yuba City
Advocate for development of alternative affordable housing types	Advocate for developing alternative housing types (mobile home parks, tiny houses, etc.) during county-wide homeless planning meetings	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, Regional-Housing Authority, Yuba-Sutter Habitat for Humanity	December 30, 2027	Identify alternative affordable housing types is established as standing agenda item during county-wide homeless planning meetings	Ongoing	On-going discussion during County-wide homeless services planning meetings It was discussed about Trailer parks being an alternative housing type but there was no movement on this topic.
Implement housing trust and matching funds program	Identify matching funds for housing trust funds in Sutter County through the development of Sutter Point	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	December 1, 2026	Matching fund program is identified and implemented to increase funding for affordable housing	In progress	Progress on this action has stopped as there are no available Housing Trust fund dollars in the federal or State budget at this time
	Meet with Nevada County for best practices in identifying housing trust funds and matching programs	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	January 30, 2025	Hold meeting with Nevada County and identify their process for implementing housing trust funds and matching program	Completed	Progress on this action has stopped as there are no available Housing Trust fund dollars in the federal or State budget at this time
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