

# 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   |
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| 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</p> <p>2nd Phase- Approximately 44 beds, family style</p> <p>3rd Phase 12 beds for Medical Recuperative care</p> <p>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        | <p>Project Hope construction is underway with 22 beds planned for medical respite with projected completion in early 2026.</p>   |

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|   | 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<br>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.<br>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.<br>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 |   |   |                    |   |                    |   |
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| 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>  |

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| 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.  |

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| 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 | CHIP partners mentioned that there are a lot of resources out there, but they are not connected. 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. 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. |
|   | 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 |  |   |  |   |                    |   |
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| 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<br><br>March 31, 2026<br><br>March 31, 2027<br><br>Phase II: 138 Units<br><br>December 30, 2027<br><br>December 30, 2028 | 217 units of Multi-Family Low Income Housing  | In Progress        | Projected is scheduled for summer 2026<br><br>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><br><br>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.<br><br>HFH is hoping to break ground the last week of October if all goes to plan with the Yubs City approval meeting.<br><br>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  |
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|  | 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<br>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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