

Building Resilient Communities-Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)



PRIORITY AREA: BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES- ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACEs)

STAKEHOLDERS: Sutter County Children and Families Commission, Sutter County Public Health, Sutter County Superintendent of Schools, Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health, Sierra Foothills Medical Society, Partnership Health Plan, Kaiser Permanente

Overarching Vision: Reduce the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) for Sutter County children and families

Objective 1: By January 30, 2026, increase by 50% the home visiting program capacity from its 2022 baseline capacity

Strategies	Actions	Lead Organization(s)	Target Date	Anticipated Product or Result	Status Description	Outcomes/Progress
Increase flexible funding and partnerships with Medi-Cal managed care plans to increase the capacity and reach of home-visiting programs	Engage in regional Medi-Cal Learning Communities (MCLC) to best position to engage MCP to leverage and sustain home visiting programs	Sutter County Children and Families Commission	September 30, 2023	Increased funding to expand home visiting capacity to all Medi-Cal beneficiaries in Sutter County	Complete	Sutter County Children and Families Commission staff engaged in the MCLC/ Worked with partners to increase flexible funding to identify gaps and implement programs to increase home visiting capacity
Increase by 1 full-time equivalent (FTE) the number of home visiting staff at Sutter County Public Health	Apply for California Home Visiting Program (CHVP)* five-year cycle expansion funds to add additional home visiting program staff	Sutter County Public Health	September 30, 2023	Increase in number of staff in home visiting program	Complete	Funding received, and 3 FTEs added to the Sutter County Public Health Home visiting programs (2 home visitors and one supervisor)

OBJECTIVE 2: By January 30, 2026, implement the Handle with Care** program in two additional Sutter County schools						
Strategies	Actions	Lead Organization(s)	Target Date	Anticipated Product or Result	Status Description	Outcomes/Progress
Implement the Handle with Care program in the two Sutter County pilot schools	Establish communications system for school staff and first responders	Sutter County Superintendent of Schools	August 30, 2023	Implementation of communications system	Complete	Communications system established, and 16 incidents reported for the 2023-2024 school year at Luther pilot school
	Train school staff and first responders on the use of the communication system	Sutter County Superintendent of Schools	December 30, 2023	School staff and first responders attend designated trainings	Complete	School staff and first responders trained, and system has been implemented
Identify sustainable funding for the Handle with Care program	Conduct outreach to community partners and community-based organizations to seek and obtain funding and share of cost to continue to implementation of the program	Sutter County Superintendent of Schools	June 30, 2024	Sufficient funding to sustain program	On-going	Kaiser Permanente has provided funding to support the Handle with Care program. Identifying funding is an ongoing activity
Following the pilot program, implement the Handle with Care program in two additional Sutter County schools	Identify the two schools where the program will be implemented and train school staff at these locations on the program and communication systems	Sutter County Superintendent of Schools	January 30, 2026	The Handle with Care program is implemented at two Sutter County schools	Complete	Program expanded to cover all five schools within the Live Oak School District for school year 2023-2024
Continue the expansion of the Handle with Care Program in two additional Sutter County School Districts, focusing on the unincorporated areas in Sutter County	Identify the two schools where the program will be implemented and train school staff at these locations on the program and communication systems	Sutter County Superintendent of Schools	January 30, 2026	The Handle with Care Program is implemented in two additional Sutter County Schools	In Progress	Identifying which Sutter County schools to expand the program into with the consideration of current program capacity and effectiveness in reaching students residing in Sutter County

Objective 3: By December 30, 2027, increase by 20% the resiliency-building resources pertaining to ACEs provided to parents/guardians from its 2023 baseline capacity

Strategies	Actions	Lead Organization(s)	Target Date	Anticipated Product or Result	Status Description	Outcomes/Progress
Establish a centralized digital resource hub for parents and guardians to access resiliency building resources	Review and determine resilience-building resources most applicable to the Sutter County community	Sutter County Children and Families Commission	September 30, 2023	Addition of resiliency resources onto Commission’s website	Complete	Sutter County Children and Families Commission and other ACEs-related resource providers utilize the FindHelp platform to distribute and connect the community with ACEs-related resources. This hub hosts resiliency-building resources such as community programs and services
	Distribute resiliency building resources to partner agencies, community-based organizations, and faith-based organizations	Sutter County Children and Families Commission	June 30, 2024	Increased resiliency-building resources distributed throughout the community	Complete	The Sutter County Children and Families Commission continues to distribute resiliency-building resources throughout the community

Identify funding opportunities and ensure collaboration between partners to support resiliency building related efforts	Establish “identifying grant funding opportunities” as a standing agenda item at the Family Intervention Team (FIT) monthly meetings	Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health - Children Services Branch	September 30, 2023	Grant funding as standing topic on Family Intervention Team Agenda	On-going	
	Establish “identifying grant funding opportunities” as a standing agenda item at Domestic Violence workgroup	Sutter County Children and Families Commission	September 30, 2023	Grant funding as standing topic on Domestic Violence Workgroup Agenda	On-going	
	Apply for Children Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI)*** funding rounds 1 and 2	Sutter County Superintendent of Schools	June 30, 2024	Application for CYBHI funding for rounds 1 and 2 completed	Complete	CYBHI applications to increase funding for resources
Increase knowledge and utilization of ACEs prevention related resources	Create a subcommittee focused on addressing ACEs through improved ACEs screening/referral processes and community awareness	Sutter County Public Health, Sutter County Children and Families Commission, Sutter – Yuba Behavioral Health, Partnership Health Plan, Kaiser Permanente	August 31, 2025	Subcommittee is formed to focus on addressing ACEs in Sutter County	In Progress	ACEs subcommittee created and held first meeting August 2025. Will convene bi-monthly to address ACEs screening/referral processes and community awareness
	Develop a provider-focused pocket guide clearly defining the pathways to refer patients needing referrals after ACEs Screening	Sutter County Children and Families Commission, Sutter County Superintendent of Schools, Sutter County Public Health, Partnership Health Plan, Kaiser Permanente, Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health	April 30, 2026	Provider pocket guide is developed	Not Started	
	Educate providers on the pathways to refer clients to care during ACEs screenings using the pocket guide	Sutter County Children and Families Commission, Sutter County Superintendent of Schools, Sutter County Public Health, Partnership Health Plan, Kaiser Permanente, Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health, Sierra Foothills Medical Society	December 1, 2026	Healthcare providers are educated on ACE-related resources and parenting classes	Not Started	
	Create a targeted County-wide communication and marketing plan to improve awareness of ACEs and resiliency-building resources through FindHelp	Sutter County Public Health, Sutter County Children and Families Commission	January 30, 2027	Communication and marketing strategies are developed targeted all Sutter County residents	Not Started	

	Implement the ACEs communication and marketing plan throughout Sutter County through social media platforms, partner websites, stakeholders, and other media	Sutter County Public Health, Sutter County Children and Families Commission, Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health, Sutter County Superintendent of Schools, Sierra Foothills Medical Society, Partnership Health Plan, Kaiser Permanente	July 31, 2027	ACEs Resources and FindHelp platform communications are distributed throughout the community	Not Started	
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[*California Home Visiting Program: Preventive intervention focused on promoting positive parenting and child development for overburdened families who are at risk for ACEs, including child maltreatment, domestic violence, substance use disorder and mental health related issues. For more information please visit the California Department of Public Health California Home Visiting Program.](#)

[**Handle with Care Program: Promotes safe and supportive homes, schools, and communities that protect children, and help traumatized children heal and thrive by ensuring that children who are exposed to trauma receive appropriate interventions. For more information, please visit the Administration for Children and Families.](#)

[***Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative: Aims to reimagine mental health and emotional well-being for ALL children, youth, and families in California by delivering equitable, appropriate, timely and accessible behavioral health services. For more information, please visit Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative - California Health and Human Services](#)

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