

# Addressing Homelessness



**PRIORITY AREA: ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS**

**STAKEHOLDERS:**

Ampla Health, Bridges to Housing, Casa De Esperanza, 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,

**OVERARCHING VISION:**

Ensure a safe place to live for everyone in our community

**OBJECTIVE 1:** By January 30, 2027, reduce the number of unsheltered individuals by 20% from the 2023 Point-in-Time Unsheltered Count

STRATEGIES	ACTIONS	LEAD ORGANIZATION(S)	TARGET DATE	ANTICIPATED PRODUCT OR RESULT
Increase shelter bed capacity by at least 25%	Identify funding opportunities for additional shelter beds	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	June 30, 2024	Funding to implement additional shelter beds identified
	Coordinate with Project Hope* to implement sheltering services in Sutter County	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium, Adventist Health and Rideout	January 30, 2025	Number of shelter beds at Project Hope designated for Sutter County residents experiencing homelessness
	Develop sheltering services at Hands of Hope Day Center in Yuba City	Hands of Hope	January 30, 2026	Hands of Hope capacity is expanded to include shelter beds
	Expand the REST (Regional Emergency Shelter Team) program to offer year-round sheltering services and shelter beds	Regional Emergency Shelter Team (REST)	January 30, 2026	REST provides year-round shelter beds

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
	Reinstate Open Doors, or similar program, in Sutter County to provide services, resources, and additional engagement opportunities to increase utilization of shelter services	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

**OBJECTIVE 2:** By January 30, 2027, decrease the number of people entering homelessness by 25% when compared to Sutter County's 2023 rate

STRATEGIES	ACTIONS	LEAD ORGANIZATION(S)	TARGET DATE	ANTICIPATED PRODUCT OR RESULT
Increase prevention funding	Expand use of CalAIM funding to provide wrap-around services for those who are living in supportive housing to promote housing sustainability	Habitat for Humanity Yuba/Sutter	January 30, 2024	Increase in number of clients receiving CalAIM wrap around services
	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, 2024	HMIS program will collect data related to homelessness prevention including prevention need and utilization

	Seek and identify innovative or funding for prevention services	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	June 30, 2025	Funding for prevention services identified
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	December 30, 2023	Voucher advocacy is included as legislative priority
Enhance coordination between code enforcement and homeless services providers	Establish policy and process for engagement between homeless services providers and code enforcement	Creating Safe and Informed Communities Committee	June 30, 2024	Engagement process to increase coordination between code enforcement and homeless services providers is established
	Increase timely coordination between code enforcement and homeless service providers before individuals become homeless	Creating Safe and Informed Communities Committee	January 30, 2025	Reduced timeline between initial contact by code enforcement and contact to homeless services providers
Promote resources to prevent homelessness	Provide outreach to the community regarding Sutter County homeless services programs	Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health, Creating Safe and Informed Communities Committee	September 30, 2023	Number of outreach activities conducted throughout the community
	Coordinate with California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) to develop resources and advocacy for tenant rights and homelessness prevention	Sutter-Yuba Homeless Consortium	January 30, 2025	Strategy to promote resources to tenants' rights and legal resources is established

**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
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
	Construct 217 unit affordable housing project “Merriment Village” on Walton in Yuba City	Habitat for Humanity Yuba/Sutter	Phase I: 79 Units December 13, 2024 Phase II: 138 Units December 12, 2025	217 units of Multi-Family Low Income Housing
	Construct 20 unit Senior Center “Tranquil Harbor Estates” in Yuba City on Walton	Habitat for Humanity Yuba/Sutter	June 30, 2025	20 unit Senior Center
	Identify funding to develop planned affordable housing units in Yuba City	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	January 30, 2025	Funds are secured to develop planned affordable housing units
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	September 30, 2023	Identify alternative affordable housing types is established as standing agenda item during county-wide homeless planning meetings

Implement housing trust and matching funds program	Identify mechanism for development fees to be allocated into a trust for developing affordable housing	Regional Housing Authority of Sutter, Yuba, Nevada, and Colusa Counties	December 1, 2024	Mechanism for establishing housing trust program is identified to increase funding for affordable housing
	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, 2025	Matching fund program is identified and implemented to increase funding for affordable housing
	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, 2024	Hold meeting with Nevada County and identify their process for implementing housing trust funds and matching program

**\*Project Hope:** Project Hope, led by Adventist Health and Rideout, sets out to serve the most vulnerable populations in our community with solutions that are calibrated to address an individual's specific needs providing healthcare related services that address the social determinants of health and adds services that will support the health and well-being of those we serve while complimenting and supporting our acute care hospital. Project Hope will repurpose the Fremont Rideout Hospital campus as the location for services.