

# MEETING THE LOCAL NEED

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#### ABOUT US



We are the local safety net, providing critical support services and taking a leadership role in the community to preserve and promote the stability, self-reliance and dignity of vulnerable populations.



Established in 1957 to serve Mountain View, Los Altos and Los Altos Hills. A member of the Emergency Assistance Network (EAN) of Santa Clara County.





OUTREACH AND ADVOCACY

HOMELESS PREVENTION SERVICES

HOMELESS SERVICES GUARANTEED BASIC INCOME

SENIOR SERVICES SENIOR NUTRITION

FOOD AND NUTRITION CENTER



### HOMELESS SERVICES

- Official count approximately 562
- CSA serves 1,300



**WHERE THEY STAY** 

27% 15% 10%

**Couch surf** 

Car

RV

**Shelter** 

2%

Outside



#### HOMELESS SERVICES

1,300 clients enrolled

689

households

113

received financial assistance

154

clients housed



#### HOMELESS YOUTH

207

households with children

88

children 0-4

278

school-aged children



## UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH

- Race and ethnicity: Native American youth more than twice as likely to experience homelessness. Black, Pacific Islander, Latino, and English learner students have higher rates of homelessness.
- Sexual orientation and gender identity: LGBTQ+ youth are at a 120% higher risk of becoming homeless after coming out to their families
- Disability: Students with disabilities make up 20% of all homeless students
- Family status: Young parents are disproportionately affected
- Education: Youth who haven't graduated high school are at greater risk
- Income: Low-income youth are more likely to experience homelessness.

HOMELESS CASE
MANAGEMENT

Secure affordable housing

Referrals for mental health & substance abuse

Financial Assitance

Transportation assistance

HOMELESS CASE
MANAGEMENT

Medi-cal enrollment

Finding employment

Access to free showers

Advocacy



## FOOD AND NUTRITION CENTER

3,213

individuals received fresh groceries

1,110

Mobile pantry participants

61%

Homeless Households utilize free groceries



#### **Community Services Agency**

The community's safety net since 1957

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