

# COMMUNITY CHEST, INC.

2022 Review  
Storey County



"Building healthy, loving  
communities at home and  
beyond"

# YOUTH PROGRAMS

## 2022 Review

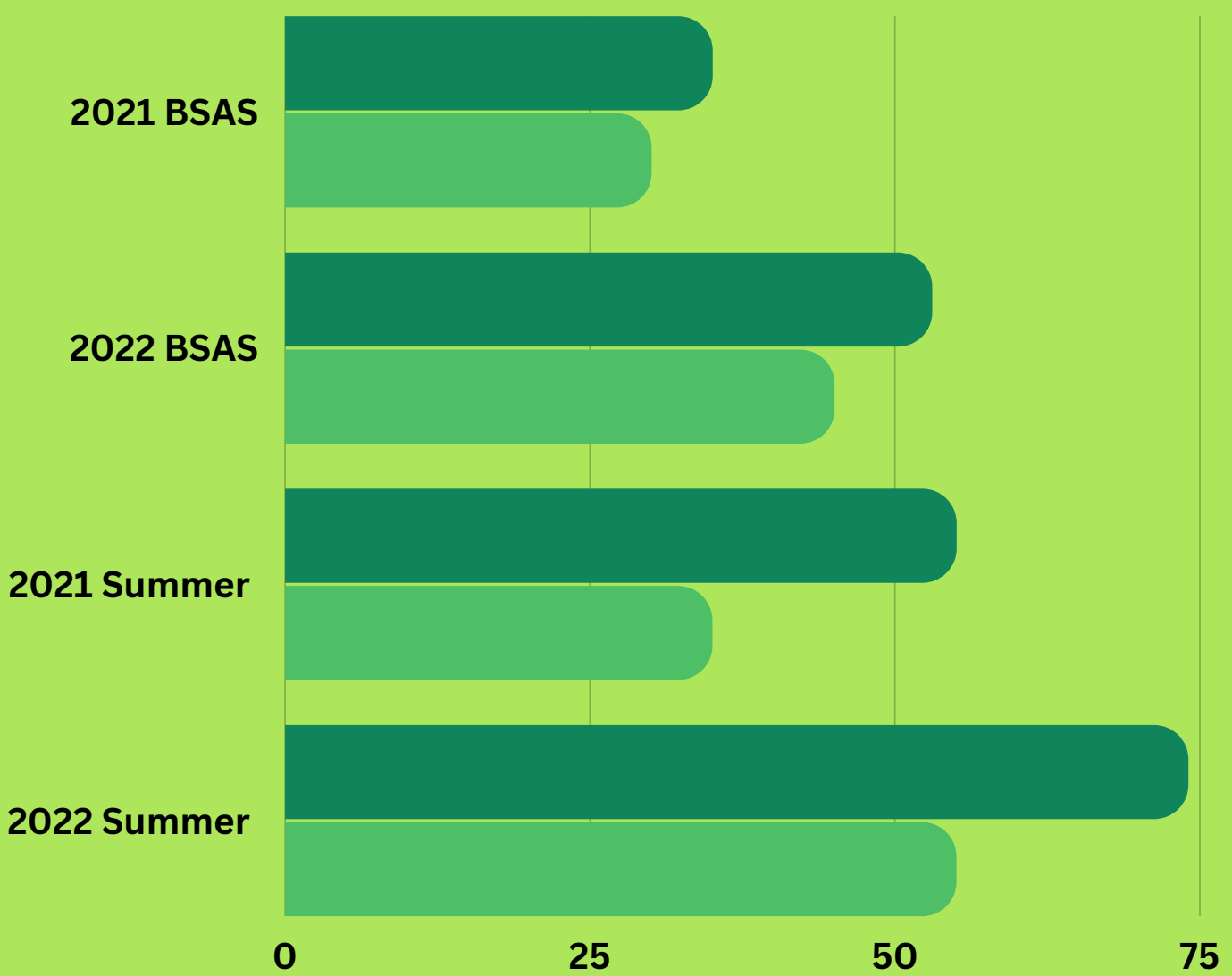
### COMSTOCK KIDS AND S.O.A.R.S. PROGRAMS

2022 delivered our largest number of children regularly participating in Youth Programs to date. Programs in both Virginia City and Lockwood have grown. We were also successful in increasing knowledge of the Developmental Asset Framework within our staff, families, community partners, and neighboring communities.



This year we were able to provide two different scholarship options for parents, Children's Cabinet Subsidies and ARP funding. These resources helped to keep our programs stable, while easing the costs for families.

The growth CCI's Youth Programs have experienced between 2021 and 2022 can be seen below. The dark green bars show the number of children enrolled in each program and the light green displays the average daily attendance.



### IN SCHOOL YOUTH

In 2022, Community Chest enrolled seven teens in the ISY Program. These students had the opportunity to learn how to apply for employment, participate in interviews, gain work experience, and increase their money management skills.



# EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

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### ECE CENTER

2022 was a year of growth for the ECE Center. We were able to add more programs and volunteers by incorporating a "grandparent" curriculum, collaborations with other CCI programs and community resources were increased, and even though we still have a waitlist of children, we were able to increase the number of children we have in the classroom.



**In 2022, 27 children between the ages of 2 and 5 years attended our center and we now have 24 children attending each day!**



### Increased Enrollment

Since opening the ECE Center, we have had a waitlist of more children than we are able to serve. This year we were able to hire an additional staff to serve an additional 8 children a day!

### Affordability

This year we were able to offer two different childcare scholarships to families. This helped to financially strengthen the program and ensure access to as many families as possible.



### Meeting Community Needs in 2022

For years one of the most identified needs in Storey County has been quality, affordable child care. The opening of the Community Chest Early Childhood Education Center and the Infant and Toddler Center is a step in the right direction, but the need is still greater than what we can currently fill. To tackle this problem, **Community Chest was successful in securing \$989,450 in funding to build a larger Early Childhood Center to be used for child care!**

### INFANT CENTER

In December of 2022, Community Chest was successful in opening our first Infant and Toddler Center! This center is licensed to care for children 0 - 2 years old.



**11 Children have been enrolled in our Infant and Toddler Center, with a total of 8 attending daily.**

# COW BUS

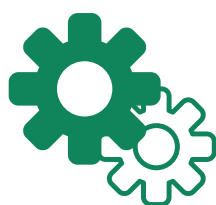
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## THE RETURN OF THE COW BUS!!

After almost a year long hiatus, we were able to reopen the Classroom on Wheels (COW) Program in November of 2021 for the children and families in Mark Twain.



## Program Management App



We have successfully incorporated the Procure app for all COW Bus classes. This allows parents and teachers to easily communicate, track attendance, and keep track of finances. This has greatly enhanced the efficiency of program payments.

## Two Buses are Open!



We have been able to reopen two buses. At this time, both buses are located in Mark Twain.

**Over 2022 COW Bus has served a total of 38 students. 11 students in the spring session and 27 students enrolled in the fall.**

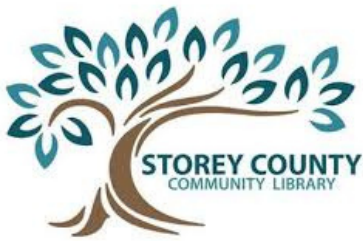


# COMMUNITY SERVICES

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### STOREY COUNTY LIBRARY

The Storey County Library has had a strong year of growth. Not only have available resources increased, but so have community collaborations. Library staff have been able to host various youth programs, community organizations, and trainings. They have also been able to increase access to early literacy by providing story time to the COW Bus program!



#### Over 300 Patrons

Patrons have been utilizing the Library through in-person services, Libby, meeting space, and home work assistance.



#### Expansion of Available Resources

The Library now has 5,547 books on the shelves and over 16,000 E-Books available for patrons of all ages.

#### Thanksgiving

In the month of November, Community Chest distributed Thanksgiving dinners to 53 families consisting of 138 adults and 119 children.



#### Christmas

In the month of December, Community Chest distributed holiday dinners to 58 families consisting of 133 adults and 105 children.



### FOOD ASSISTANCE

Community Chest saw an increase in food assistance needs in 2022. Over the year we were able to provide fresh fruits and vegetables, meals, pantry essentials, snacks, holiday meals and, school lunches.

**School Lunches: 1,076**

**Families Visiting the Food Bank: 49**

**Individuals Served Through Food Bank: 118**



### ANGEL TREE

**2022 was our largest Angel Tree year yet! With the help of generous community members, we were able to ensure 215 adults and children received a needed warm winter item and a toy for the holidays!**



# HEALTH CENTER

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### INCREASING ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

Nevada Health Centers has been working to increase access to health care for the residents of Storey County by providing quality, affordable, and accessible services in Virginia City and Lockwood. Services provided include in person clinic visits available weekly, telehealth appointments available five days a weeks, and wellness checks and in home visits in Lockwood weekly.



**Out of the 641 appointments scheduled in 2022, 73% of patients kept their appointments equaling 466 appointments completed.**



#### Center Visits

In 2022, 641 patient visits were scheduled with Nevada Health Centers Virginia City clinic.



#### New Patients

30 new patients were established in 2022, bringing the total number of established patients to 429, the largest caseload in three years!



#### Affordability

In order to maintain affordability, they accept Medicaid, Medicare, Nevada Check Up, most private insurances, and offer a Sliding Fee Discount Program that is based on family size and income

### Lockwood Home Visits

By working with the Storey County Senior Centers Meals on Wheels program, the Lockwood Community Health Nurse is able to provide wellness checks and medical visits to homebound seniors that would otherwise have little to know medical attention.



**The Lockwood Health Nurse sees an average of 10 clients per week during home visits.**

# MENTAL HEALTH AND ADVOCACY

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### COUNSELING

Counseling services have drastically increased during 2022 due to the overwhelming increase in need from the communities that we serve. Our programs provide counseling and support in personal, family, drug and alcohol prevention, domestic violence, sexual assault, and youth development. While this this year we saw more clients than we've ever previously served, what is perhaps just as telling is that the number of counseling sessions increased by more than 25% between 2021 and 2022.



### School Supports

During 2022, Community Chest counselors and community health workers have provided additional mental health supports to over 30% of the Storey County School District student body.



### Counseling Clients Served

Counseling services either face to face or virtually increased by over 25%.



### Crisis Intervention

Over 100 clients received intervention services and referrals



### DV Clients Served

60 victims of domestic and sexual assault violence served.



### Justice Assistance

45 clients received criminal and civil justice services through our Victim Advocates.



### Shelter Supports

Over 10 nights in shelters were provided.



### Personal Advocacy

Over 65 personal advocacy and accompaniments to victims of crime