

COMMUNITY CHEST, INC.

2023 Review



**"Building healthy, loving
communities at home and
beyond"**

MENTAL HEALTH AND ADVOCACY

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COUNSELING

Counseling services have drastically increased during 2023 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.



Counseling Clients Served



1,812 virtual or in person counseling sessions were held in 2023.

Crisis Intervention



308 clients received intervention services and referrals.

Clients Served



567 clients served (many who were victims of domestic and sexual assault violence).

Justice Assistance



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

Shelter Supports



Over 50 nights in shelters were provided.

Personal Advocacy



555 personal advocacy and accompaniments to victims of crime provided.

HOME VISITING

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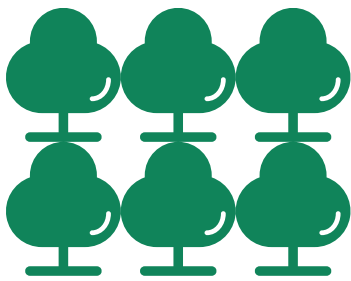
2023 IMPACT



60 families participated in Community Chests Nevada Families First home visiting program in 2023.

NEVADA HOME VISITING

2023 was an exciting year for NFF! We saw huge growth in service numbers and interested families. Our Home Visiting team has focused on increasing family engagement in group connections, childhood safety, and providing parent and child engagement opportunities.



We are serving 6 rural Nevada counties! These include Mineral, Storey, Churchill, Douglas, Nye, and Carson City!



Home Visit Numbers

In 2023, 506 individual home visits were completed by 4 home visitors. This 157 more than last year.



Children

86 children prenatal through age five participated in visits.



Developmental Screenings

173 developmental screenings were completed during 2023.



Resource Referrals

240 supportive resource referrals were provided.



One of our newest Nevada Families First Graduates!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

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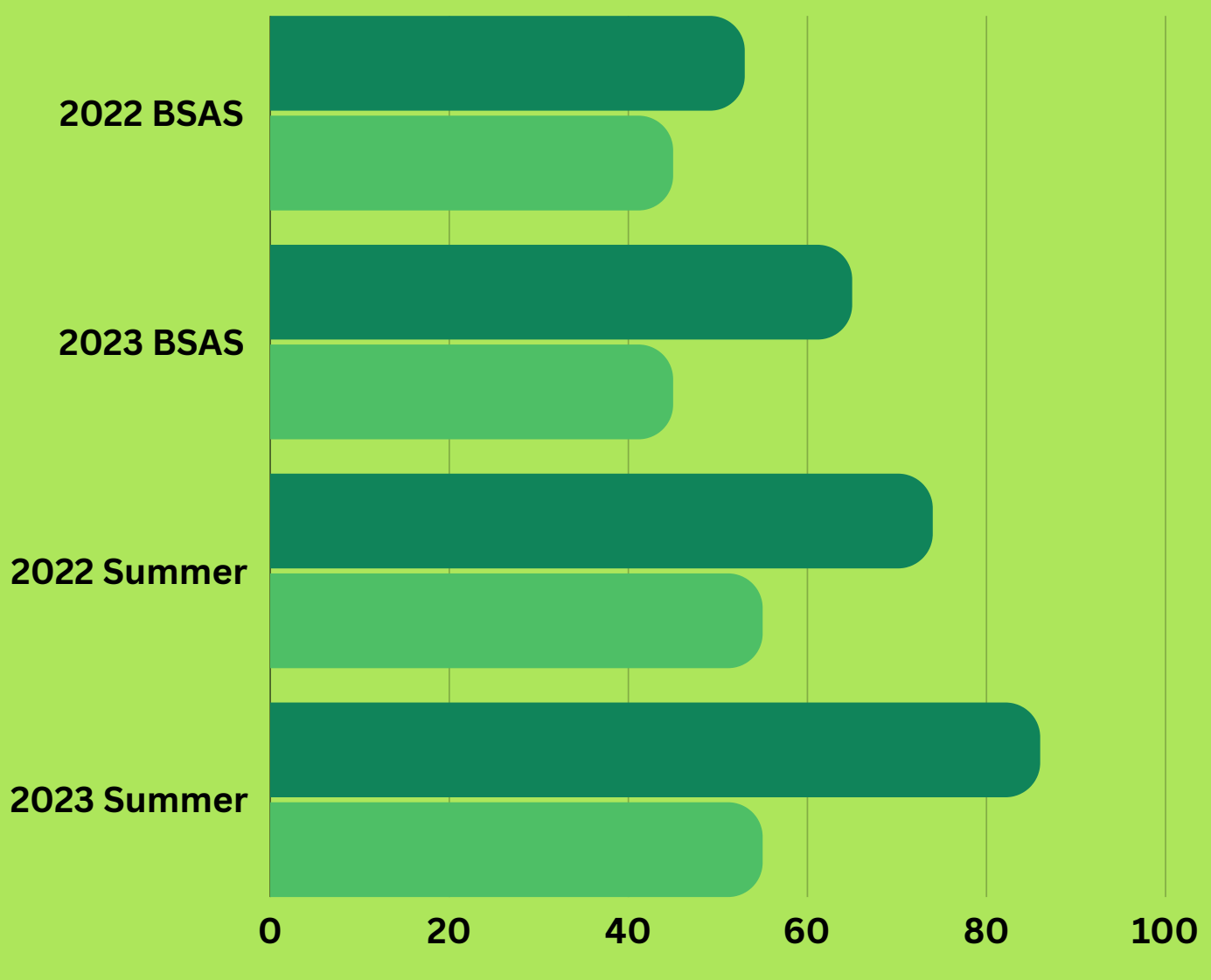
COMSTOCK KIDS AND S.O.A.R.S. PROGRAMS

2023 delivered our largest number of children regularly participating in Youth Programs to date. Programs in both Virginia City and Lockwood have grown. This year we also experienced an increase in attendance of our Family Nights. These events help to provide community connections and increase parent child interaction.



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

The growth CCI's Youth Programs have experienced between 2022 and 2023 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.



FARMERS MARKET

In 2023, Community Chest Youth Programs once again held our youth run Farmers Market. This program helps to provide the community with fresh produce while teaching the children entrepreneurial skills, money management, and acts as a fundraiser.

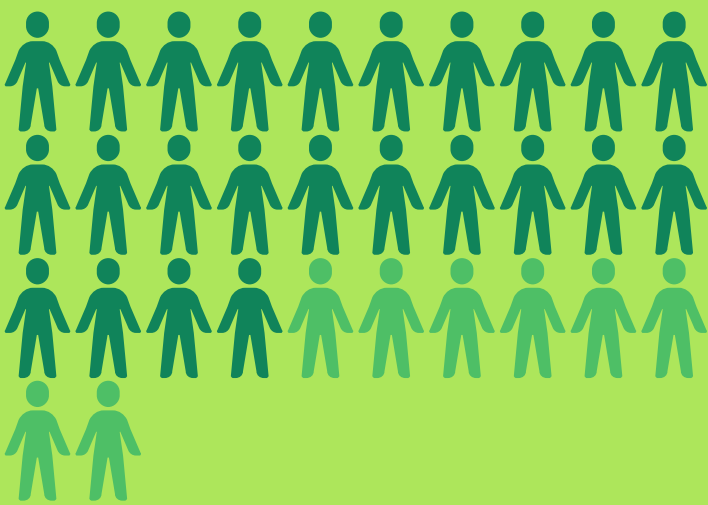


EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

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ECE CENTER

2023 was another 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 2023, 32 children between the ages of 0 and 5 years attended our ECE Center with 24 children attending each day!

Staff Training



In 2023, four of our Community Chest ECE staff members participated in professional development to complete their CDA. This helps ensure a quality learning environment

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 2023

For years one of the most identified needs in Storey County is quality, affordable child care. The opening of 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 and \$977,000 to refurbish an old school building in Hawthorne to be used for child care!**

INFANT CENTER

Our infant center celebrated it's one year anniversary this December. We have had a full center all year with 5 kids moving aging up to the ECE center.



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

OUT OF SCHOOL YOUTH

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OSY PROGRAM

The OSY program supports adults aged 18 - 24 in Lyon, Storey, Churchill, or Mineral counties to increase their education, employment training, and life skills by participating in weekly classes, GED or diploma prep, and work placement opportunities.



Increased Supportive Services

Due to the increase in the cost of living for many youth enrolled in the OSY program, CCI provided increased supportive services in 2023. These included financial assistance in housing, cell phones, gas, transportation, auto maintenance food, clothing, and basic necessities.

G.A.M.E. PROGRAM CLASSES

Each week youth have the opportunity to participate in various life skills classes. These classes provide mentoring, employment prep, financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and more. The students 5 favorite classes of 2023 are shown.



In 2023, the Out of School Youth program served a total of 25 clients.

ADULT WORKS AND DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAMS

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In 2023, the Adult Works and Dislocated Workers programs saw full client enrolment, and inspiring number of clients complete their trainings and meet their goals, and service areas expansions.



Deepened Relationships

Case Managers were able to stretch relationships with several training providers to allow for additional training opportunities for clients.



Full Enrollment

In 2023, Community Chest hit full program enrollment early in the year!

Adult Works and Dislocated Worker Service Numbers



49 clients were served



Employment Case, Manager, Jessica, was the employee of the month for September 2023!

COW BUS

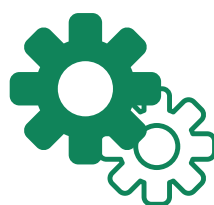
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THE RETURN OF THE COW BUS!!

This year we have been working towards hiring more cow bus staff to increase classes in our existing locations as well as opening in new locations in the upcoming 2024 year!



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 were able to have two buses fully up and running in Mark Twain and Silver Springs! Look out! We are working to mooove even further!

Over 2023 COW Bus has served a total of 60 students.

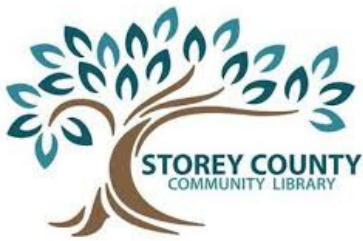


COMMUNITY SERVICES

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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 80 families.



Christmas

In the month of December, Community Chest distributed holiday dinners to 85 families.



FOOD ASSISTANCE

Community Chest saw an increase in food assistance needs in 2023. Over the year we were able to provide fresh fruits and vegetables, meals, pantry essentials, snacks, holiday meals and, school lunches.

Emergency Meals and Snacks for Schools: 1,076

Families Visiting the Food Bank: 49

People Served Through Food Bank: 118



ANGEL TREE

2023 was our largest Angel Tree year yet! With the help of generous community members, we were able to ensure 255 people received a warm winter item and a toy for the holidays!



OPERATING

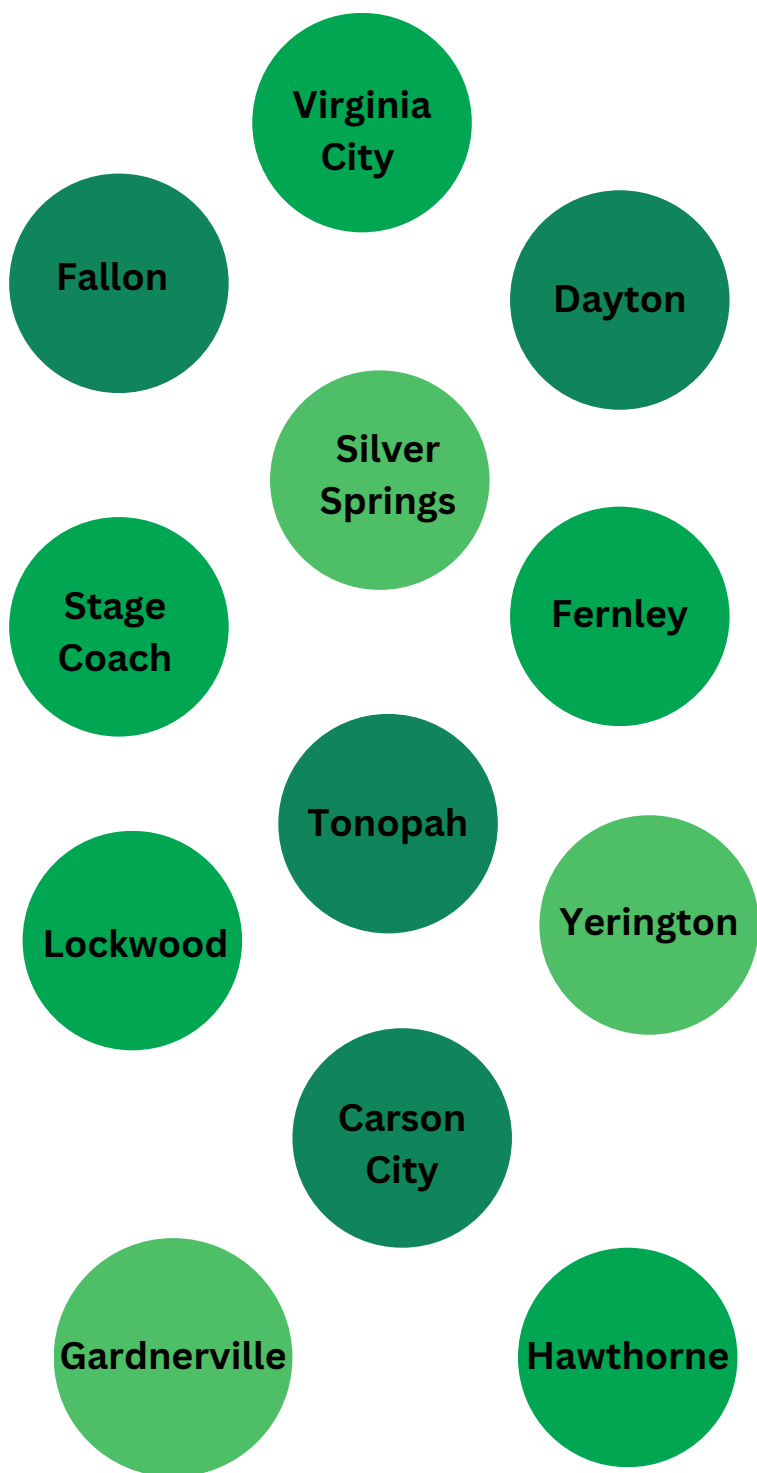
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A YEAR OF GROWTH

2023 was a year of growth and success across the organization!

- Started the Storey County Early Childhood Center Expansion project.
- Increased services in Tonopah.
- Improved internal efficiency in our business office by going digital
- Increased service capacity by adding staff in many programs.

Our 2023 Nevada Impact



Employee Support

Salary Increases

As another way to balance out high living costs, CCI was able to provide all staff members with salary increases.



**\$5 Million
Operating
Budget**



In 2023, our programs were supported by 50 diverse grant funding streams.

HEALTH CENTER

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INCREASING ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

Our Community Center in Virginia City was able to move back to a single point entry system (during Covid we had to use separate entrances) which allowed patients to sit in the waiting area inside the center. This increased comfort and support by also allowing patients to utilize the food bank and other resources in the same part of the building.



Out of the 689 appointments scheduled in 2023, 77% of patients kept their appointments equaling 533 appointments completed.



Center Visits

In 2023, 689 visits were scheduled with Nevada Health Centers Virginia City clinic.



New Patients

The clinic held a caseload of 503 patients in 2023. This is 74 more patients than last year, and their highest caseload in the past 4 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.