



Catholic Charities

Serving with Love for All Since 1954



Overview of Catholic Charities

Mission: Catholic Charities creates access to opportunities for self-sufficiency by providing innovative and compassionate services to people of all backgrounds, beliefs, and cultures.

Vision: The most vulnerable individuals in our community are empowered to achieve their full potential with dignity and hope.

Purpose: Rooted in the message of the Gospel, we aspire to create a more just and empathetic world for the most marginalized individuals in our six-county service area.



SERVE WITH LOVE FOR ALL

We serve with compassion and hope, affirming the transcendent dignity of every person.



SERVE AS ONE CATHOLIC CHARITIES

We unite as one agency to make our integrated services easily accessible throughout our six-county service area.



NOURISH THE SPIRIT

We celebrate the joy of service, making time for kindness, gratitude, reflection and wellbeing.



CHAMPION DEI & BELONGING

We foster an environment where voices are heard, perspectives are valued, and opportunities are accessible.



STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE

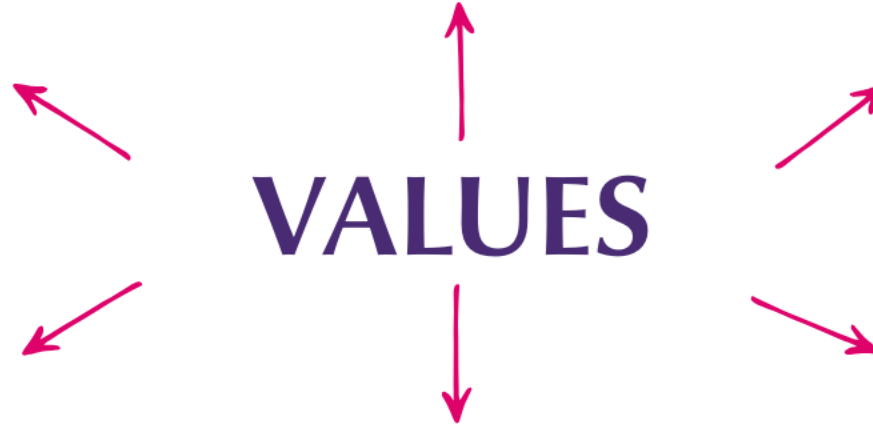
We are relentless in our pursuit of quality to set the standard for our work and the work of others.



ACT WITH INTEGRITY

We act ethically and equitably, with honesty and transparency.

VALUES



Program Areas

200+ Staff | 300+ Volunteers



**Homelessness &
Housing Solutions**



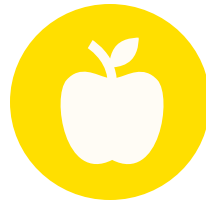
**Immigration &
Naturalization**



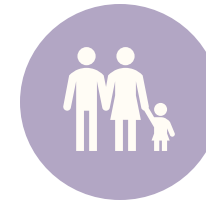
**Community
Connections**



**Senior
Services**



**Food
Access**



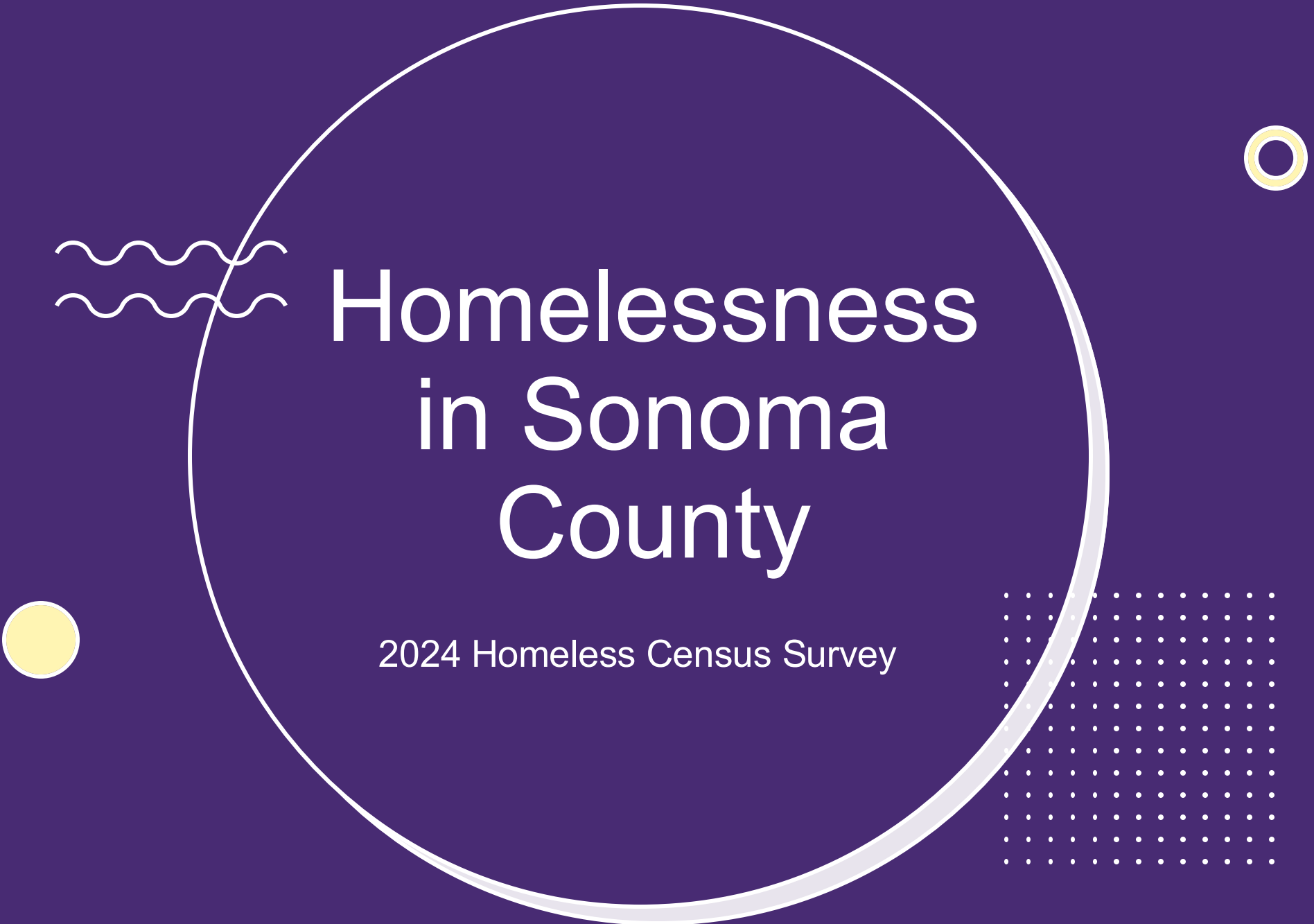
**Homelessness
Prevention**

Our Reach

Sonoma County
Napa County
Lake County
Humboldt County
Mendocino County
Del Norte County



**Over 20,000 individuals served annually.*

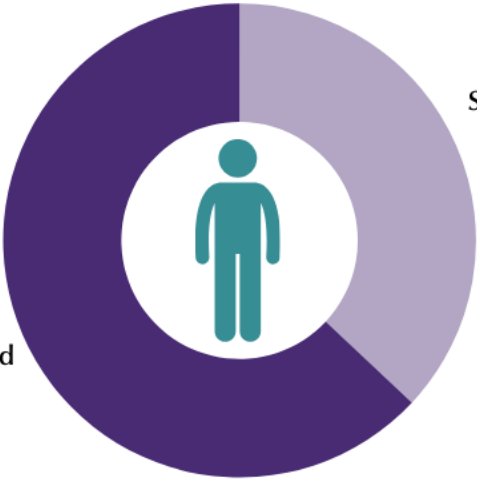


Homelessness in Sonoma County

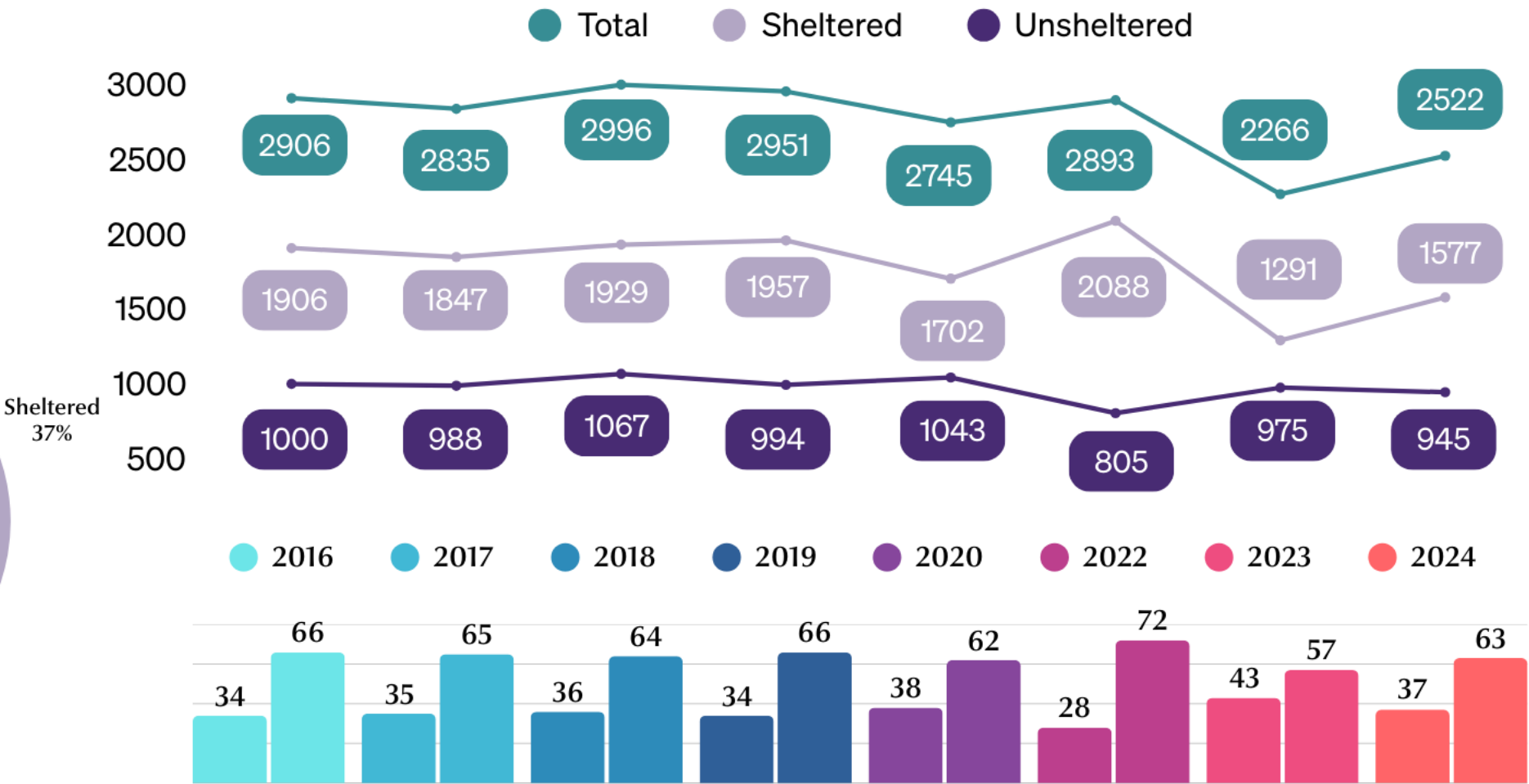
2024 Homeless Census Survey

TOTAL PERSONS
EXPERIENCING
HOMELESSNESS

2,522



Sheltered: 945
Unsheltered: 1,577



% of Sheltered VS Unsheltered

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS



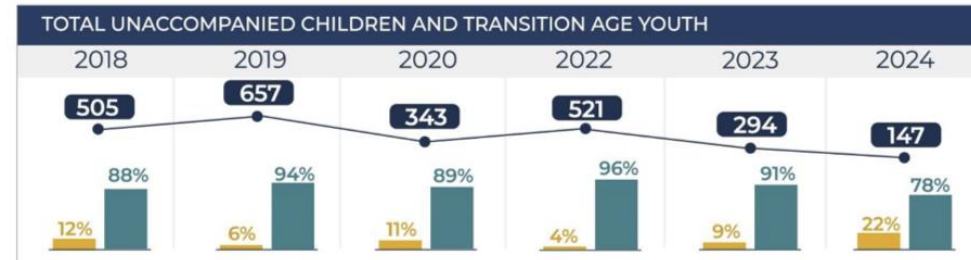
VETERANS



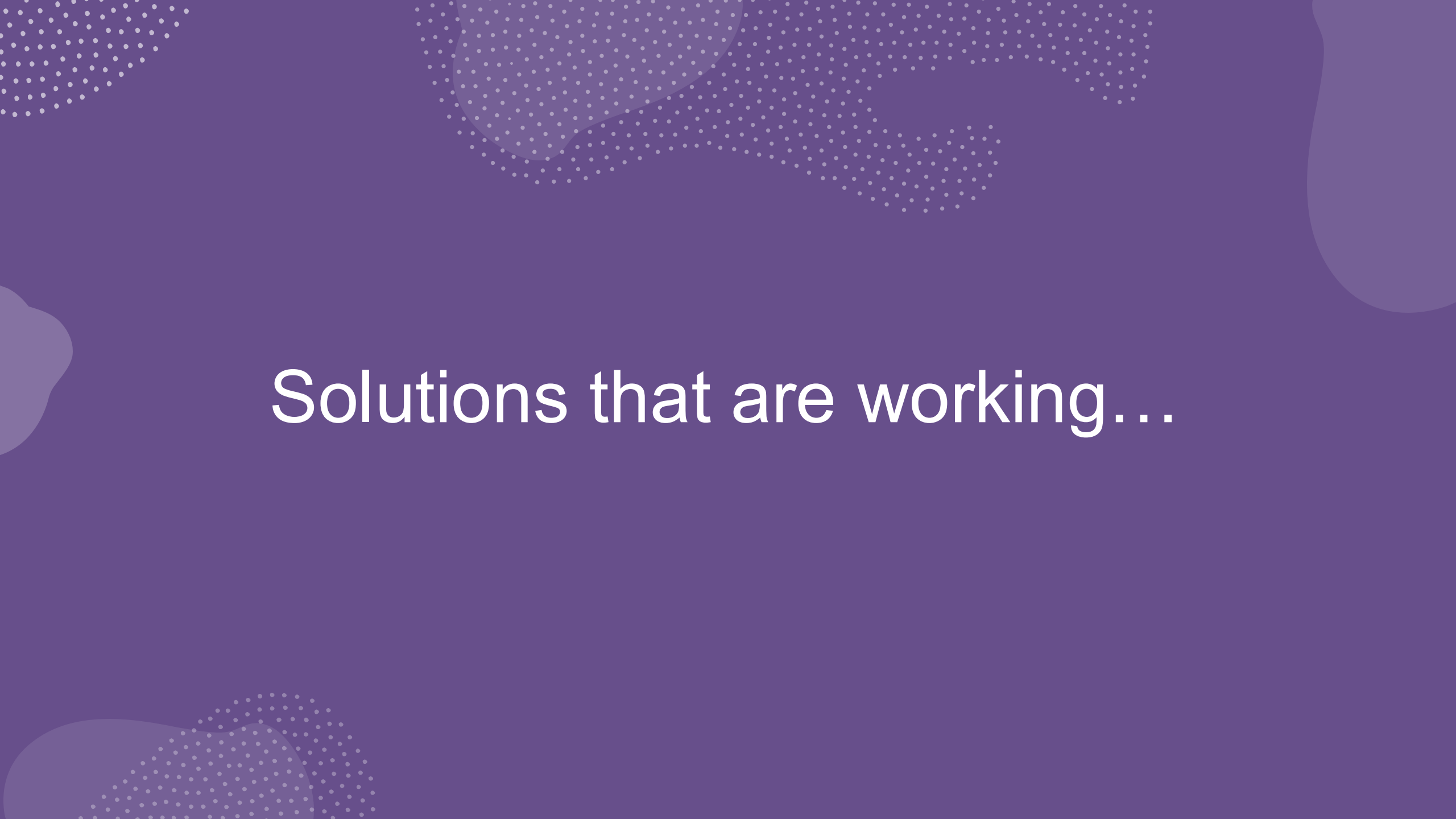
FAMILIES



UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN + TAY



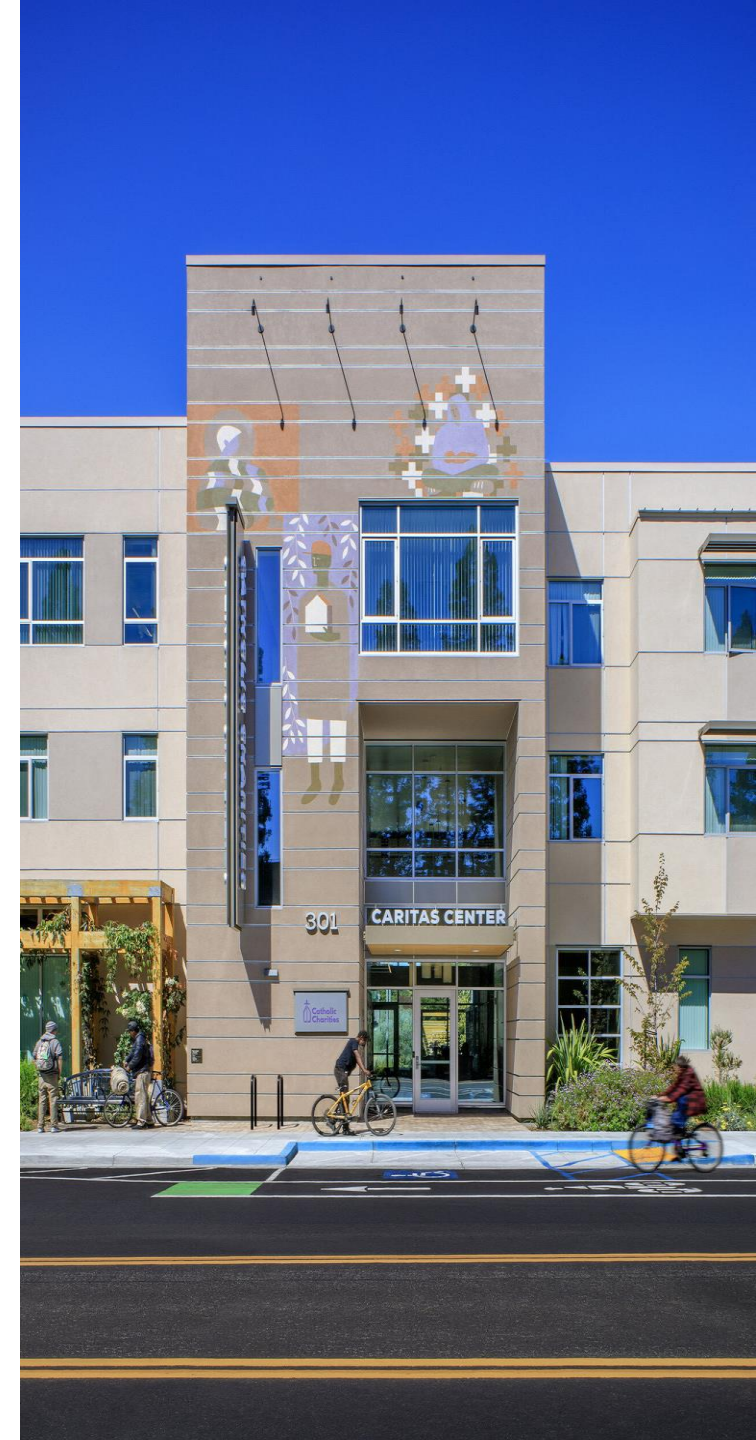
JURISDICTION	UNSHELTERED			SHELTERED			TOTAL		
	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024	2022	2023	2024
North County	155	103	141	40	15	16	195	118	152
Cloverdale	23	9	6	0	0	3	23	9	9
Healdsburg	97	18	37	0	15	13	97	33	50
Town of Windsor	8	26	26	40	0	0	48	26	26
Unincorporated	27	50	67	0	0	0	27	50	67
South County	679	337	434	89	163	181	768	500	615
Cotati	79	9	21	6	6	10	85	15	31
Petaluma	214	157	143	79	88	97	293	245	240
Rohnert Park	241	141	205	4	69	74	369	210	279
Unincorporated	21	30	65	0	0	0	21	30	65
West County	62	143	128	65	70	49	127	213	177
Sebastopol	40	47	108	38	40	10	78	87	118
Unincorporated	22	96	20	27	30	39	49	126	59
Sonoma Valley	93	109	74	29	20	12	122	129	86
Sonoma	66	40	13	15	0	0	81	40	13
Unincorporated	27	69	61	14	20	12	41	89	73
Santa Rosa	1,099	599	805	582	695	664	1,681	1,294	1,469
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Unincorporated	10	134	104	13	0	0	23	134	104
Undisclosed Location	0	0	0	0	12	23	0	12	23
Total	2,088	1,291	1,577	805	975	945	2,893	2,266	2,522

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Solutions that are working...

Caritas Center

- **Drop-in Center:** Provides essential services like mail, laundry, showers, storage, food, outreach, enrollment, and direct shelter placement for those unsheltered.
- **Nightingale Shelter:** An emergency shelter with 38 beds that offers recuperative care for individuals discharged from hospitals, serving as a cost-effective alternative for those experiencing homelessness.
- **Santa Rosa Community Health's Clinic:** A full-scope health center with comprehensive medical, mental health, and substance use care, as well as pediatric services for women and families, with specialized care for people experiencing homelessness.
- **Family Center:** This is the largest shelter for families between the Golden Gate Bridge and the Oregon border, with 192 beds and comprehensive case management support for families and children.
- **Youth and Family Services:** Our services focus on enhancing learning, development, and social opportunities for children at the Family Center, providing a safe and specialized environment.
- **Head Start Program:** A nationally recognized educational childcare program for children aged 3-5, operated by Sonoma CAN.
- **Transitional Residency Program:** This program offers interim housing for individuals who provide peer support services to those entering the Drop-in Center.
- **Caritas Homes:** A partnership with Burbank Housing to build 128 on-site affordable housing units, with 64 units already in use. Residents all have access to the continuum of services available at Caritas.



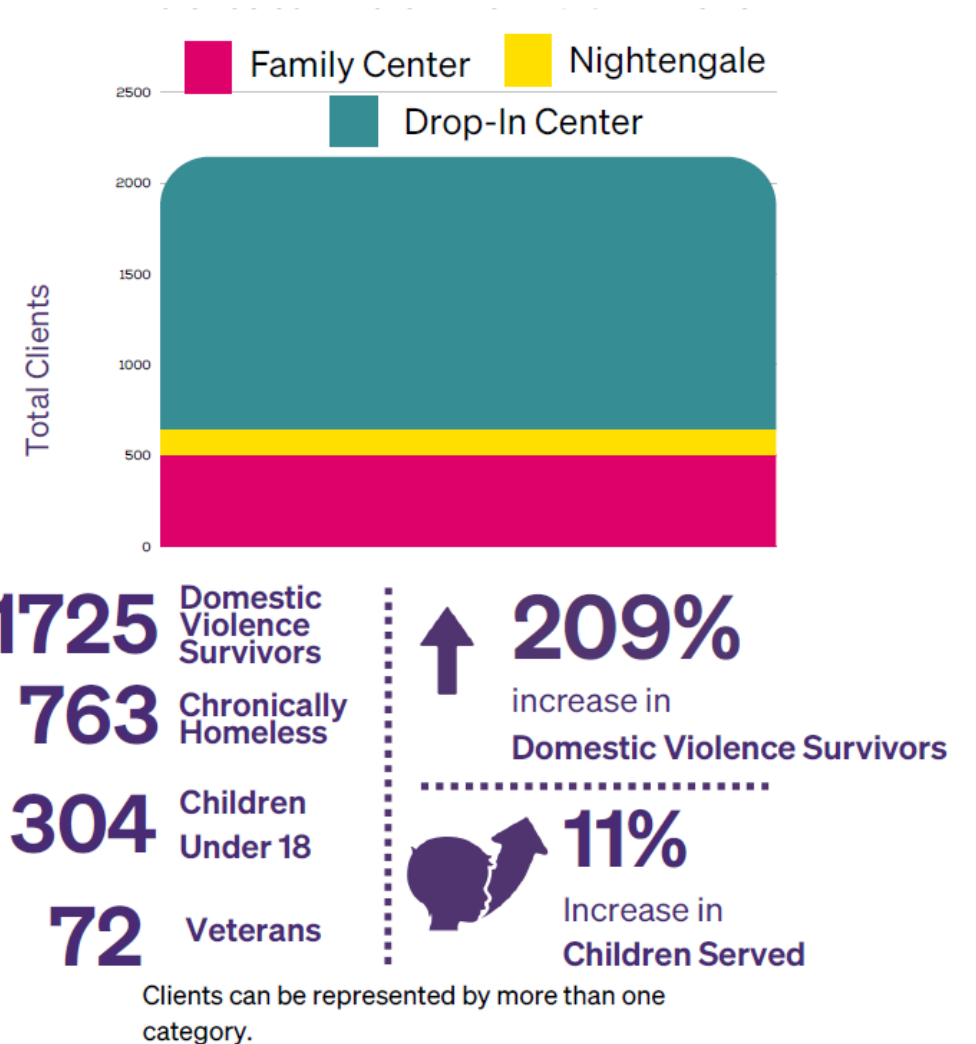
Impact in 2024



HOME IN HALF THE TIME

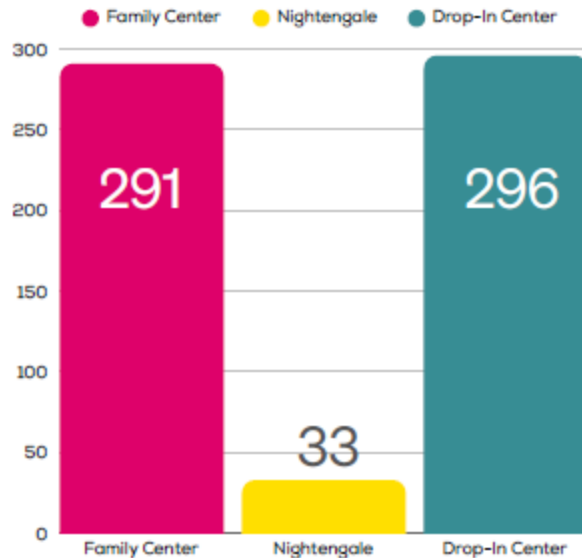
With increased rooms for families, a larger Drop-In Center offering valuable dignity and financial stability services, and our new Nightingale recuperative care facility, we saw **record-breaking housing success** in housing near- identical numbers of families in just half the time.

2,029 PEOPLE SERVED



Impact in 2024

FIRST TIME HOMELESSNESS



32% of Caritas Center clients are experiencing homelessness for the first time.

** This metric counts first-time homelessness within Sonoma County's care system, not overall.*

377 Family
Members
Served

304
Children
• Ages 0-18

565
Seniors
• Age 55+

With 565 seniors accessing services, we have seen a 26% increase in seniors.

YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS serve our children through their learning and development.
*With Caritas Center serving as an immersive and interactive learning environment, Catholic Charities can readily accommodate cross-organizational private & public partnerships.
Caritas Center's strategically located medical clinic and our team's agency-wide collaboration allows us to care for more people in our community.*

SENIORS make up California's fastest-growing homeless population. From 2017 to 2021, requests for homeless services for those aged 55+ increased by 84%.

** CalMatters Homeless Data Integration System (February 2023).*

Closing the Healthcare Gap

United in Health and Home Policy Recommendations



Dignity Services



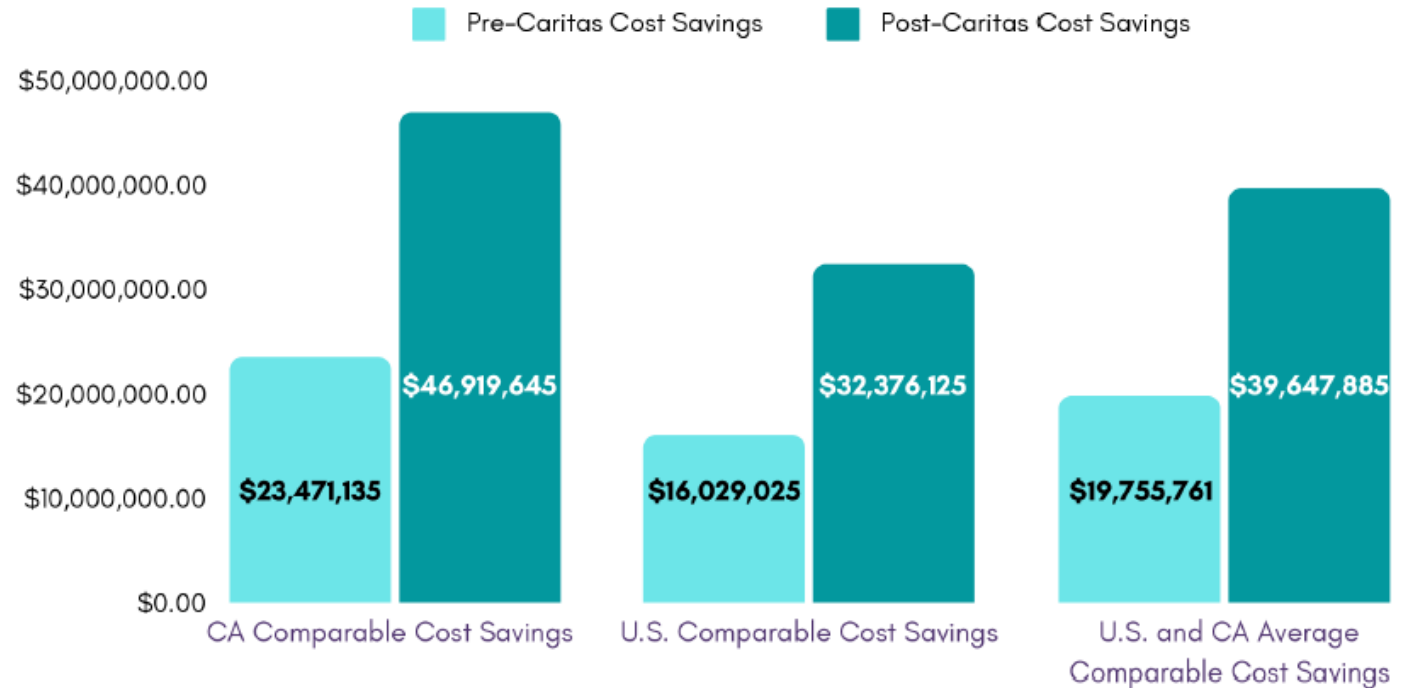
- Mail, Laundry, Shower
- No-Fee ID Vouchers
- Recuperative Care
- Temporary Address
- Conservation Corps

Medical Clinic



- Primary Care
- Mental Health Care
- Pediatrics
- HIV and Hep C Care
- Health Education
- Insurance Application Aid

Community Cost Savings



It is widely acknowledged that Recuperative Care programs provide significant community cost savings, and Nightingale serves as an example of a much less costly intervention than inpatient hospitalization. Given the level of acuity and co-occurring physical and mental health needs, many of these individuals would otherwise be unable to be discharged for long periods of time. Nightingale's cost per bed night is \$104. In comparison, the average inpatient bed night in the U.S. is \$3,025, while the California statewide average is \$4,337.

Questions?

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