

Community Action Advisory Board

Program Summary Report

Quarter 3 Year-to-Date: July 1, 2021-March 31, 2022

The Community Action Advisory Board advises Clark County Community Services and the Clark County Council regarding the Community Action Program (CAP) and Homeless Crisis Response System (HCRS) programs. Funds come from a combination of local, state and federal sources through the following programs: Human Services Fund (HSF), Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG), Housing & Essential Needs (HEN), Deed Recording Fees, and Marriage License Fees. Some programs also received COVID pandemic funds.

PARTICIPANT SATISFACTION

Programs sent out 3,383 surveys to individuals and households served between July 1, 2021 and March 30, 2022, and received 857 responses for a 25.3% response rate. Of the responses, 86.9% indicated a positive overall experience.



Some participants requested more virtual options for attendance.

Some participants expressed appreciation for staff kindness, hospitality and patience.

Some participants were dissatisfied that they couldn't get assistance that exceeded what the program offered.

What's Being Funded

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS

Employment

- Partners in Careers, Career Academy: Employment services and supports through a series of workshops.

Health & Social/Behavioral Health

- Clark County Food Bank, Fresh Alliance: Recovers nutrient dense food from stores that would be thrown away to distribute through food pantries.
- Share, Hunger Response: Provides meals to the public at Share House and weekend food packages for students through schools.

Income & Asset Building

- Clark College, Financial Wellness Program: Provides support services for low-income students who are likely to drop out of college.

Support Services

- 211info, Information & Referral: Access to referrals for basic needs, social services, etc.
- Volunteer Lawyers Program, Access to Justice: Supports a variety of civil legal assistance for people who are low-income and/or homeless.



HOMELESS CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM PROGRAMS

Rapid Rehousing

- Impact NW, Rapid Rehousing
- Share, Rapid Rehousing
- Share, Housing & Essential Needs Program

Permanent Supportive Housing

- Impact NW, Permanent Supportive Housing
- Lifeline Connections, PSH for Recovery
- Share, Permanent Supportive Housing
- Share, Lincoln Place Apartments

Targeted Prevention

- Janus Youth, Bridges
- Council for the Homeless, Targeted Prevention through Diversion

Interim Housing

- Janus Youth, Ascend Motel Voucher
- Second Step Housing, Resident Sufficiency Program

Outreach & Engagement

- CFTH Outreach Coordination
- Share Outreach

Emergency Shelters

- Catholic Charities, Bertha's Place Shelter
- Council for the Homeless, Emergency Motel Vouchers
- Janus Youth, Motel Voucher Program
- Janus Youth, Oak Bridge
- Janus Youth, The Perch Day Center
- Share, House Men's Shelter
- Share, Orchard's Inn & Homestead Family Shelters
- Share, WHAT Women's Shelter
- Share, WHO Winter Shelters
- YWCA, SafeChoice Domestic Violence Shelter
- YWCA, Motel Voucher Program

System Coordination & Data Collection

- Council for the Homeless, Community Planning
- Council for the Homeless, Housing Solution's Center
- HMIS

Core System Programs

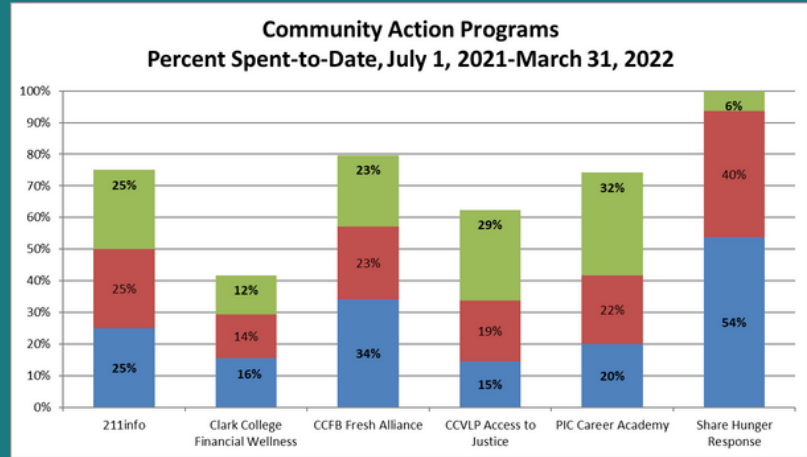
- Sea Mar/Community Services NW, SOAR
- Share, Rent Well

EXPENDITURES

Programs should be 75% spent out of their allocation for services provided through March 31, 2022.

Community Action Programs to note:

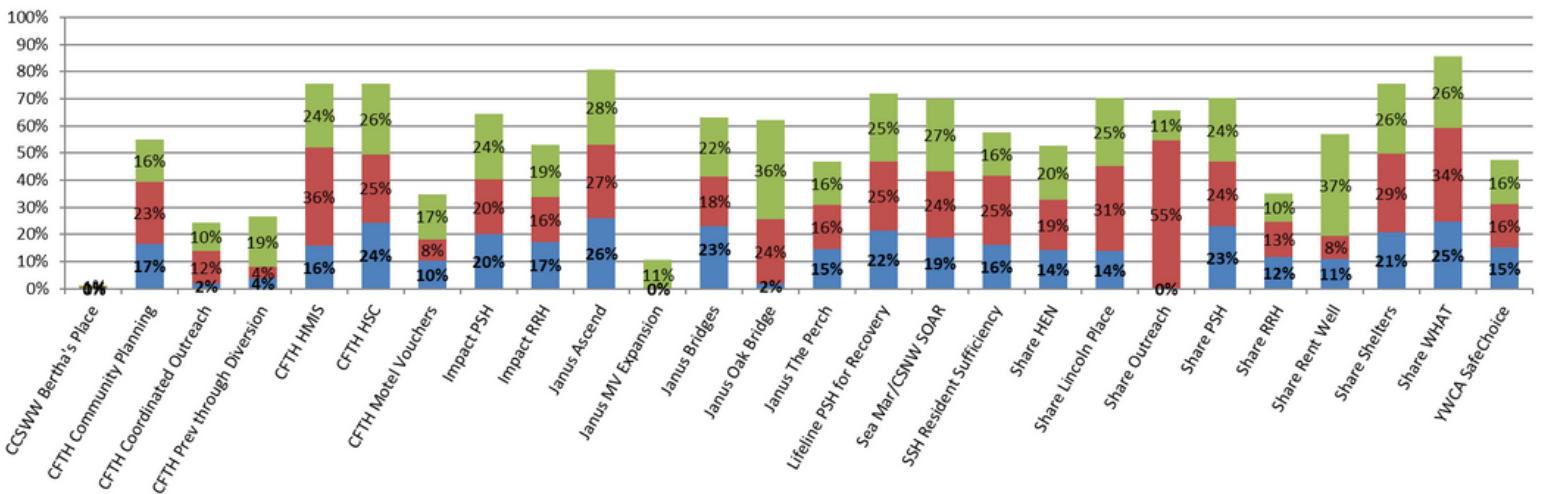
- Programs are on track for spending.
- Clark College has other pandemic related funds to use for emergency grants. Once those funds are spent, they will bill those costs to this program.
- Share Hunger Response often bills this program before spending privately raised dollars on the program.



Homeless Crisis Response System programs to note:

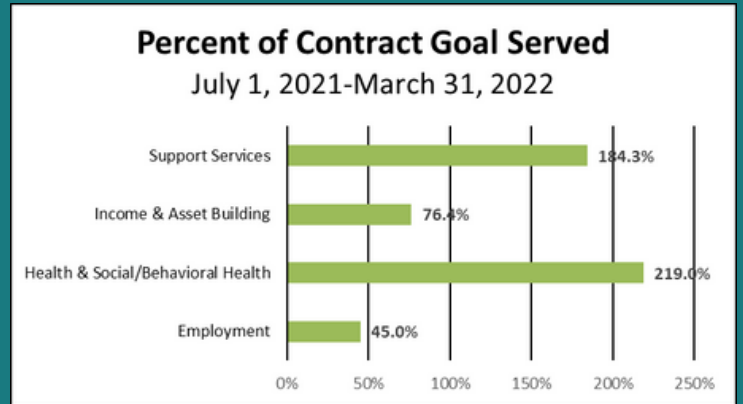
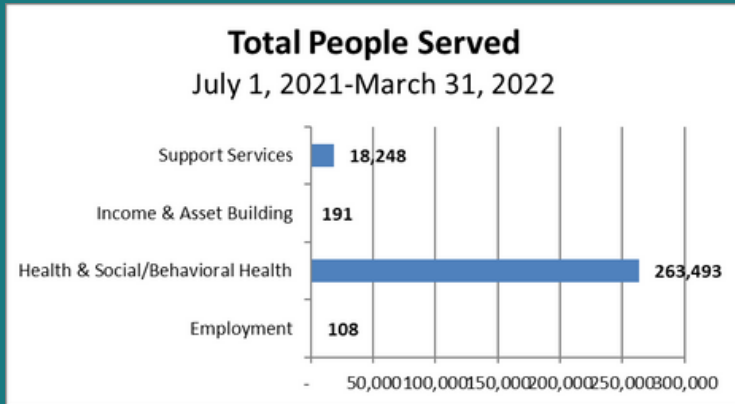
- Council for the Homeless received additional Prevention funds and are simultaneously working on spending COVID related dollars.
- Bertha's Place, a new shelter, is now open and accepting guests. Funding for operations includes COVID related funds that have a faster approaching deadline.
- Janus has a newly funded motel voucher program.
- Share has received other funding to help support RRH program participants.
- All other programs are on track with their spending.

Homeless Crisis Response System
Percent Spent-to-Date, July 1, 2021-March 31, 2022



CAP SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

The following charts show the progress county funded CAP programs are making towards their contract goals.



Programs should be at 75% of their contract goal for the number of people served. The above charts show the total number of people served, and the progress towards the combined contract goal by program type.

Things to note:

- 211info, a Support Service, has seen an increase in the number of people looking for resources.
- The Clark County Food Bank has been serving significantly more individuals due to the pandemic.
- PIC has recently been able to engage more participants in their program.

Other Community Action services and outcomes to note this reporting period:

- Clark County Food Bank's Fresh Alliance program received 1,120,743 pounds of food; the equivalent of 7 space shuttles!



- Clark County Volunteer Lawyers Program helped 780 households avoid eviction, nearly four times the number from all of last year.



- Share's Hunger Response program provided 67,561 meals at Share House.



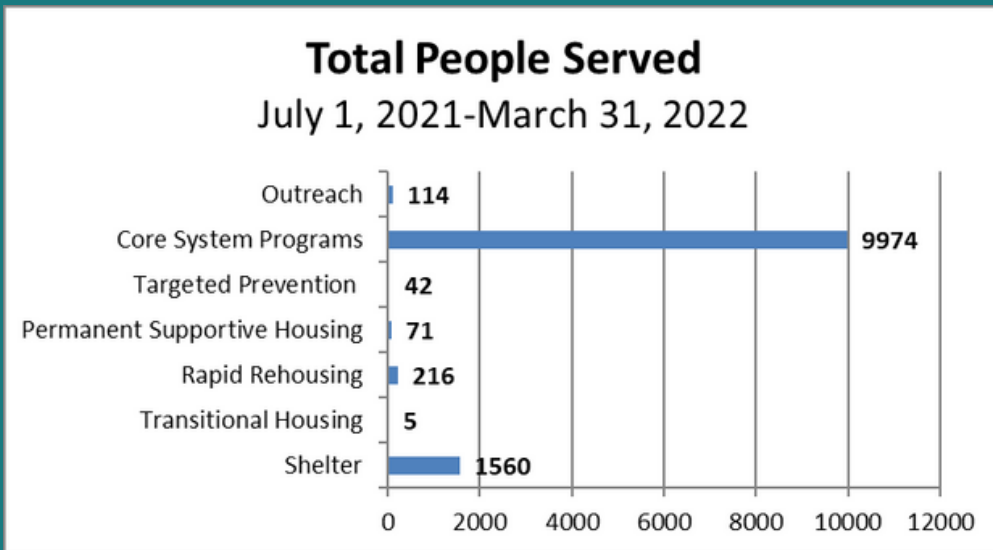
- The Housing Solutions Center assessed 9,918 households for housing program placement and diverted 337 households from the Homeless Crisis Response System.



HCRS SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

The following charts show the progress county funded HCRS programs are making towards two of their contract goals. Additional system performance measurements can be found at <https://www.councilforthehomeless.org/system-dashboards/>.

Programs should be at 75% of their contract goal for the number of people served. These charts show the total number of people served, and the progress towards the combined contract goal by intervention type.



Things to note:

- The Housing Solutions Center, under Core System Programs, has seen a dramatic increase of requests for assistance due to the pandemic.
- Outreach services have been added to the report. They have engaged significantly higher numbers than anticipated.
- Permanent Supportive Housing programs report most of the households served in the first quarter with little turnover throughout the rest of the fiscal year.
- The Housing & Essential Needs rapid re-housing program anticipates most households to remain in the program for the year due to income and disability status upon entry.

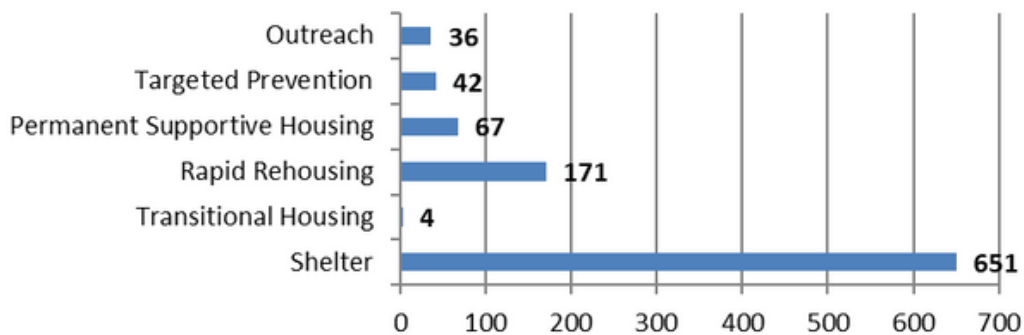
HCRS SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

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It is anticipated that programs would be at 75% of their contract goal for the number of people who have maintained or increased their income. However, program participants set their own goals and programs work to help them achieve those goals which might not always include increasing income as the first priority. These charts show the total number of people who have maintained or increased their income, and the progress towards the combined contract goal by intervention type.

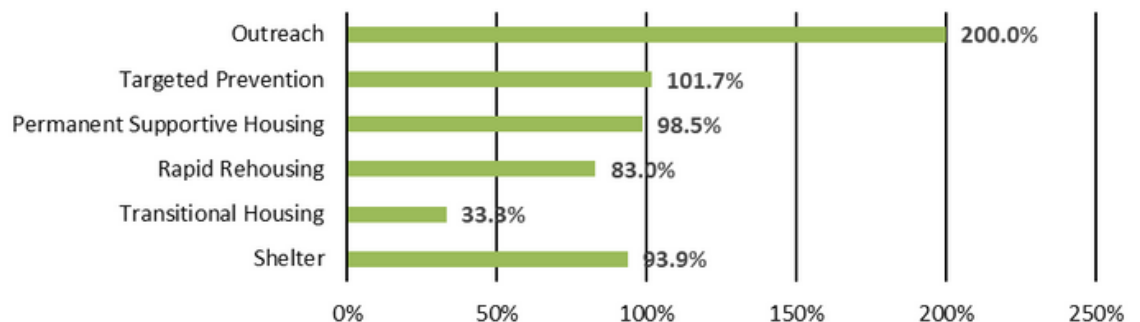
Households Maintained/Increased Income

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Percent of Contract Goal Maintained/Increased Income

July 1, 2021-March 31, 2022



Things to note:

- Second Step Housing has struggled to find households who are willing to live in shared living environments.
- Outreach programs are regularly engaging houseless clients and are able to document income information for many of the people they are working with.
- Council for the Homeless made updates to their Prevention as Diversion program to better report income information for participants.

DEMOGRAPHICS

The following information is what is being reported for Community Action Programs and the Homeless Crisis Response System in HMIS. Data provided is unduplicated across all programs that report in HMIS.

