

# Our 2020 Direct Impact

3,230 bags of groceries delivered to 444 families.



Over 1,200 families served through our food pantry in response to the pandemic.

850 Nevada County patients received over \$347,000 in free healthcare



Singlecare saved 808 Nevada residents \$50,205 on prescription drugs.



## CHANGING THE ODDS



*Every dollar donated supports our collaboration with our community partners, public and private agencies to support Nevada County residents in reaching their full potential.*

A \$5.00 donation purchases a \$20.00 bag of groceries.

A \$25.00 donation provides a family with \$100.00 of groceries.

A \$75.00 donation delivers over \$400.00 of healthcare to a patient.

And, when you commit to a monthly donation, you empower us to make the most of every donation through careful planning.

**Together our future is bright!**  
**#LIVEUnited**



*We are proud to work with an amazing group of community partners that focus on building a stronger community for all. Together, we tackle big issues, targeting community-based programs through collaboration and our Community Impact Fund.*

- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Bright Futures for Youth
- Community Beyond Violence
- Freed
- Gateway Mountain Services
- Gold Country Senior Services
- Hospitality House
- Interfaith Food Ministry
- PIELL
- Sierra Family Health Center
- Sierra Foothill Aids Foundation
- Sierra Roots
- Sierra Senior Services
- SNCS
- Stanford Sierra Youth & Families
- The Food Bank of Nevada County
- Women of Worth
- YMCA



*Supporting our community through increased Access to Healthcare, Financial Stability, Educational Opportunities, and Community Support.*

## Education



**Why?** In Nevada County Schools, 50.1% of students qualify for free or reduced meal programs. During the 2019/20 school year, 598 students were identified as homeless. When a student's basic needs are not met, education is not the student's priority.

### How can we, as a community, support these students and their families?

We can meet this basic need by providing access to healthy food beyond the school day, allowing them to focus on their future.

Collaborating with our community partners and local school districts, we've created a High School Food Pantry program, supplied snacks to afterschool tutoring programs, and distributed groceries to students' families at a mobile distribution.

*"After working directly with students, we realized that among all the services still needed, food and tutoring were the areas of greatest need and had the potential for the greatest impact."*

*--June Gilfillan, Intervention Coordinator, Nevada Union High School*



## Financial Stability



**Why?** According to the UWCA 2017 Real Cost Measure report, 44% of households in Nevada County spent more than 30% of their income on housing, and 11,763 households earned below the Real Cost Measure.

### How can we, as a community, support the families that keep Nevada County running?

We can make community-funded resources available to families living and working in Nevada County that struggle. At the Food Access Saturday program, a family of four can receive \$125-\$150 in groceries. This financial assistance allows them to pay for unexpected medical bills, children's school supplies or programs, etc., without incurring debt that creates financial instability.

## Healthcare



**Why?** In both the 2016 & 2019 Nevada County Community Health Assessments, access to healthcare was among the top three health problems in the community. Our rural location poses several issues--a lack of providers that take Medi-Cal and transportation issues. Coupled with high deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses, families often put off medical care, especially dental and vision care.

### How can we, as a community, increase access to healthcare for families struggling?

In July 2022, we will be hosting the County's third free medical clinic to provide healthcare, vision (including glasses made onsite), and dental services.

We offer SingleCare, a prescription discount program, to ease the burden of prescription costs.

*"Having a client come back to find me at registration with tears in her eyes because she could see after many years of not being able to, was an amazing experience. Her excitement was palpable, and her gratitude endless."*

*--Shannon Buehler, Volunteer, Free HealthCare Clinic*



## Our Goals for 2021 & Beyond

### Education Equity

- Make emergency and supplement groceries available to every school in Nevada County.
- Focus on local broadband equity to ensure availability for those students who need it the most.
- Work with students to create meaningful programs that focus on equity.

### Health Equity

- Host an annual Nevada County Free HealthCare Clinic.
- Expand our SingleCare Prescription Card program throughout the community

### Financial Stability

- Utilize community-funded resources to provide financial support for families that struggle.
- Provide tax, legal and financial information, support, and classes to struggling families.

### Community Support

- Collaborate with our community partner network to develop and implement innovative programs.
- Micro/High Impact Grant opportunities to community organizations.
- Collaborate with our community partner to respond to disasters.