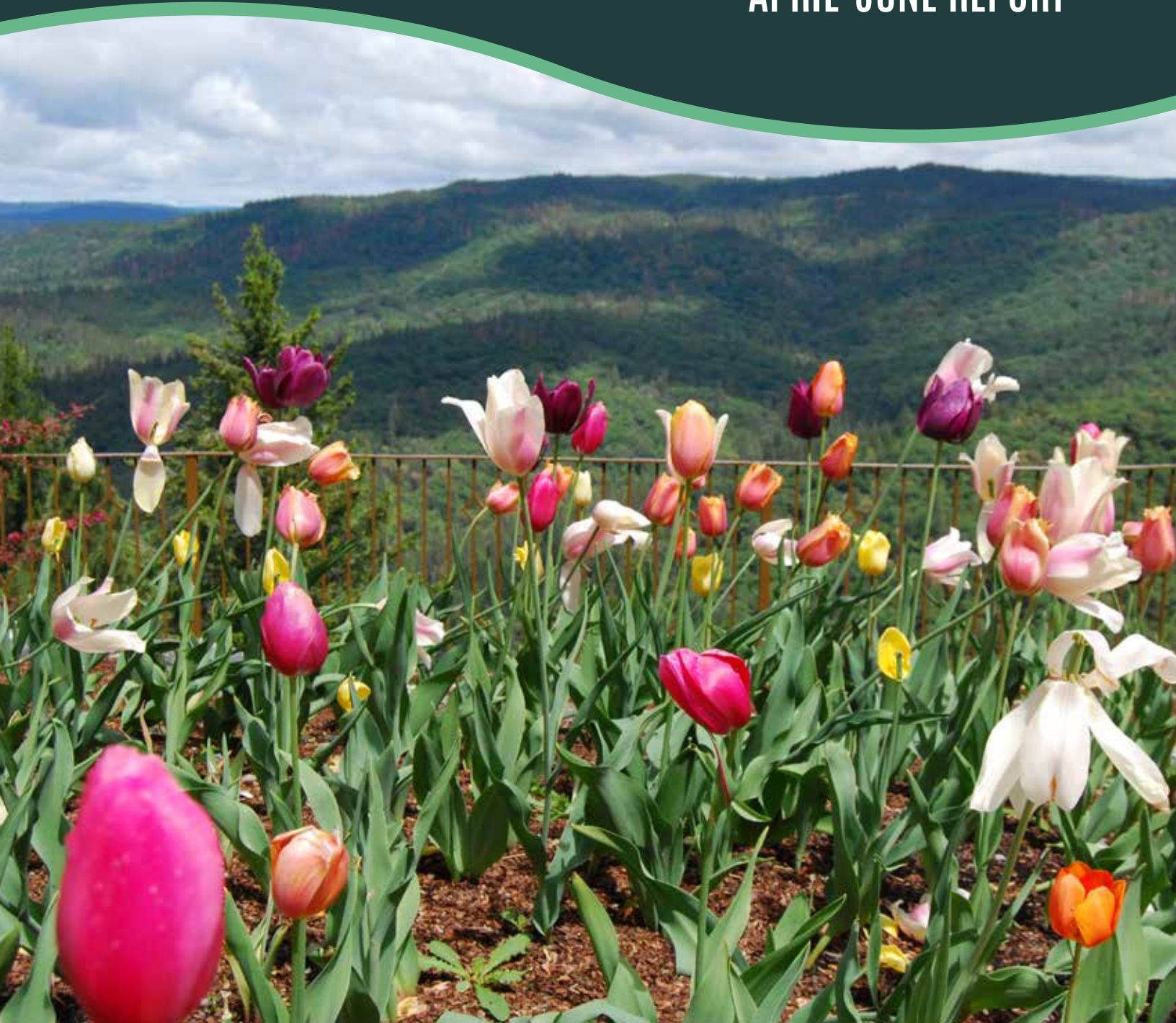




2022 BOARD OBJECTIVES

APRIL-JUNE REPORT



QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT ON THE NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' 2022 OBJECTIVES

Message from the Chair



Last quarter, I started this letter with a recap of the winter storms that battered our area in late December. Now I'm here again, writing just after the Rices Fire burned 904 acres before being contained by the incredible work of CAL FIRE, our first responders, the volunteers who assisted with animal evacuations, and all the good people out there who helped their friends and neighbors. In situations like this, our teamwork really gets tested and, once again, you have proven that we are a mighty team.

Here at the County, we continue to make **emergency preparedness** a high priority. This Spring we held a series of green waste disposal events in Grass Valley and Truckee, where we collected over 3500 tons of vegetation. It was truly an example of the kind of community partnership we need to reduce the threat of wildfire.

Still, the challenge of removing storm debris continues. Thanks to a [\\$950,000 grant from CAL FIRE](#), we worked to remove hazardous vegetation from County roads and ensure key evacuation routes are clear before peak fire season.

In May, Congressman Doug LaMalfa announced \$6.6 million in federal funding for three critical projects in Nevada County, including \$4.8M for Sheriff's Office radio infrastructure improvements, \$1.1M for a North San Juan fire suppression system, and \$750,000 for the Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone, Phase II.

Through our **economic development** objective, the County continues to focus on resiliency. Nevada County awarded \$107,500 to 43 microbusinesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. And [Nevada County was awarded a \\$1.7 million workforce development grant](#) from the State's California Volunteers program to increase youth employment and strengthen our community's capacity to address urgent community challenges related to climate change, food insecurity, and local COVID-19 recovery.

Homelessness continues to be a concern for the County. According to the [2022 Point-in-Time \(PIT\) count](#), there were 527 people experiencing homelessness in Nevada County on the night of February 23, 2022, including 60 children under the age of 18. The Nevada County Health and Human Services Agency recently presented an [updated draft Homeless Plan](#) to the Board of Supervisors, which includes specific strategies and goals to address homelessness in Nevada County over the next two years. I am proud to say that Nevada County is in the last mile of reaching functional zero for veteran homelessness.

Finally, I want to thank Nevada County's fiscal team for their ongoing work to maintain the County's **financial stability and core services**. The approved [Fiscal Year 2022/2023 budget](#) includes a healthy reserve that will help Nevada County weather potential economic threats, including a recession.

I'm proud of the work we've done so far this year in support of these important objectives, and I look forward to continuing our work with the community to improve this place we all love.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Hoek". The signature is written in a cursive style and is contained within a thin blue rectangular border.

Susan Hoek, Chair
Board of Supervisors

2022 Board Objectives Summary



Fiscal Stability and Core Services

Maintain the County's financial stability and core services.



Emergency Preparedness

Lead the community in all hazards planning, preparedness, response, and recovery with a focus on wildfire. Do this by focusing on improving countywide evacuation routes and safety, continuing to strengthen early alert and critical communication systems, partnering closely with residents in emergency preparedness, defensible space, home hardening, green waste disposal, and fire-safe land stewardship.



Economic Development

Promote economic development by emphasizing resiliency and entrepreneurship; retaining and attracting high quality jobs; investing in major infrastructure projects; and working with local, state and federal partners to support our small business, nonprofit, and tourism sectors.



Broadband

Equitably expand broadband to support economic development, distance-learning, telework, telemedicine, and general quality of life for all residents by championing the implementation of Nevada County Broadband Strategy Plan policies and last-mile infrastructure projects.



Cannabis

Maintain and continue to improve the cannabis permitting and enforcement program to promote permitted cannabis activities while implementing additional on-site supply chain license types and tools to mitigate impacts.



Housing

Coordinate with local jurisdictions, developers, and other partners to facilitate development of, and access to, affordable and workforce housing development.



Homelessness

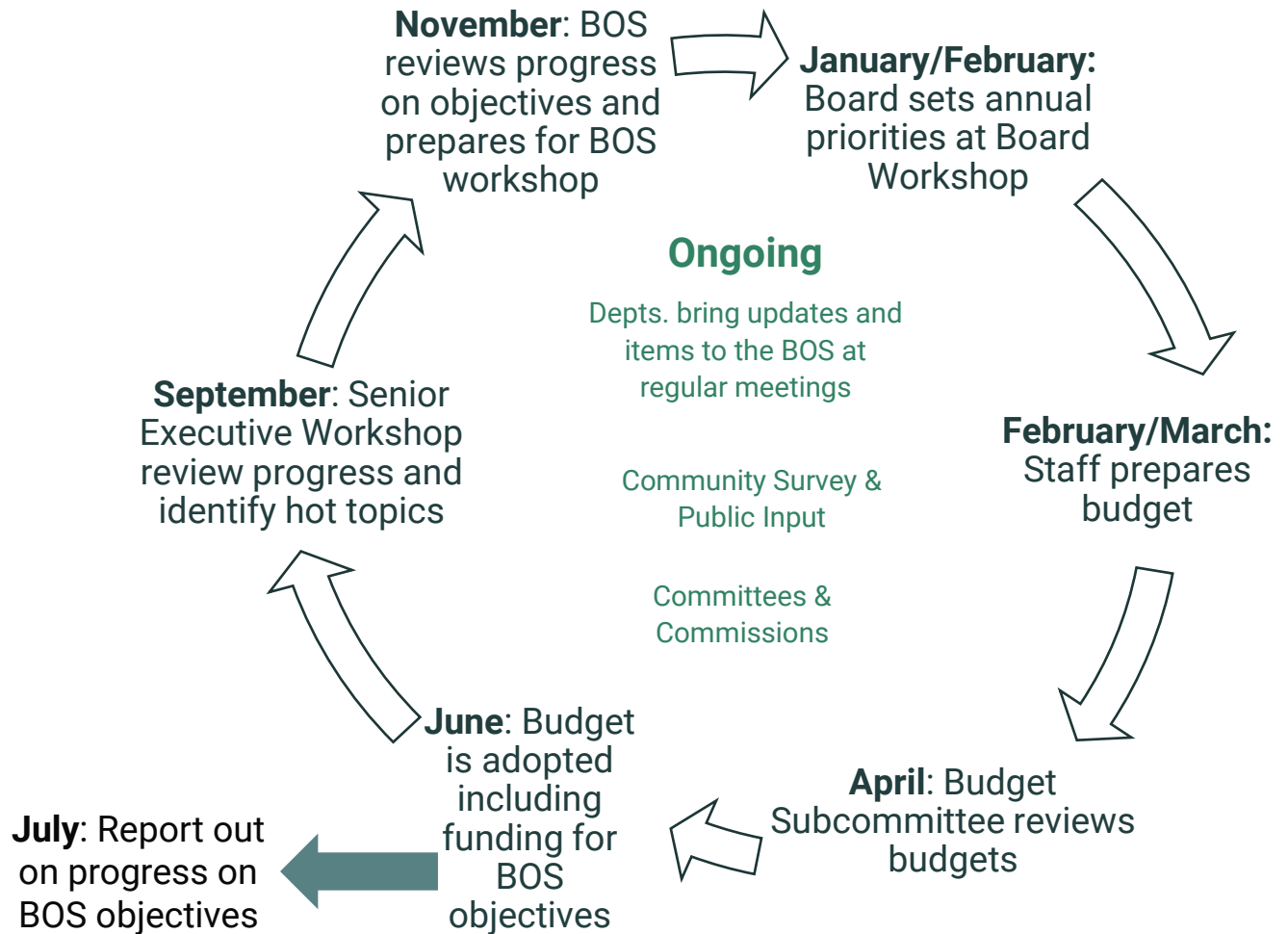
Leverage partnerships, housing first, and sustainable reforms in order to continue efforts to prevent homelessness, provide emergency shelter, expand supportive services, secure housing, and enhance coordination to address the needs of the homeless population and to mitigate impacts on the community.



Recreation

Promote sustainable recreation in partnership with community providers and other jurisdictions to enhance recreational access, support public health and safety, realize economic opportunities, and preserve natural resource assets.

Board of Supervisors (BOS) Objectives Development Cycle



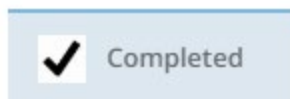
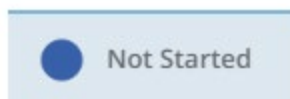
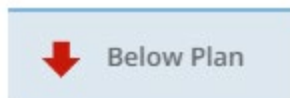
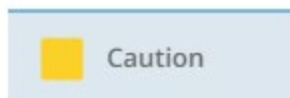
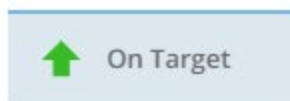
Intent of Report

This report, covering April-June 2022, summarizes the initiatives and performance measures used to track progress toward the Board of Supervisors' 2022 policy objectives. Staff developed this tracking report to be delivered on a regular basis to the Board and available on the County's website for public review. In addition, the highlights of the report are formally presented to the Board of Supervisors twice annually. First, at the Board's annual planning workshop in January each year, and second at a regular Board of Supervisors public meeting in July as a mid-year update. This report is intended to increase transparency and accountability of the County's work toward meeting the Board's objectives.

Any questions, suggestions, or requests for additional information regarding the information in this report should be directed to the County Executive Office at ceo@co.nevada.ca.us.

Status Symbol Key

Each objective and initiative are accompanied by a status symbol. The Key to the status symbols is below:



Maintain the County's financial stability and core services.



Progress Update

Q2-22

The County continues to experience financial stability, as indicated by the following key indicators:

- General Fund revenues, as a % of adopted budget, are performing in line with normalized historical averages through the fourth quarter of the Fiscal Year (July – June)
- General Fund expenses, as a % of adopted budget, are also performing in line with historical averages through the fourth quarter of the Fiscal Year

Next Steps

Q2-22

Next steps for Q3, 2022 include the following:

- Continue to proactively monitor General Fund revenue and expense performance as the 22-23 Fiscal Year begins
- Continue to implement the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Expenditure Plan, advancing Board priorities, ensuring the sustained delivery of core services, and addressing emergent community and County program needs
- Present a formal ARPA Expenditure Plan update in Q3, 2022
- Continue 5-year staffing needs evaluation, including fiscal sustainability analysis

Initiatives



Increase Collection of Delinquent Taxes

Nevada County | 7/1/19 - 12/31/21



Implement Technology, Roads and Facilities Projects as Identified in the County's Financial Management Plans.

Information and General Services | 7/1/19 - 12/30/21



Control Staffing Levels and County Costs by Reviewing All Requests for Staffing Changes and Vacancies for Revenue Availabilit...

County Executive Office | 7/1/19 - 12/31/21



Increase Countywide Fiscal Expertise Through Training, Reporting and Collaboration

County Executive Office | 2/1/19 - 12/31/21



Ensure Healthy Performance of County General Fund

County Executive Office | 7/1/19 - 12/31/21



Measures



Key General Fund Revenues
Board of Supervisors 2022



County Budget
County Executive Office



General Fund Revenues
County Executive Office

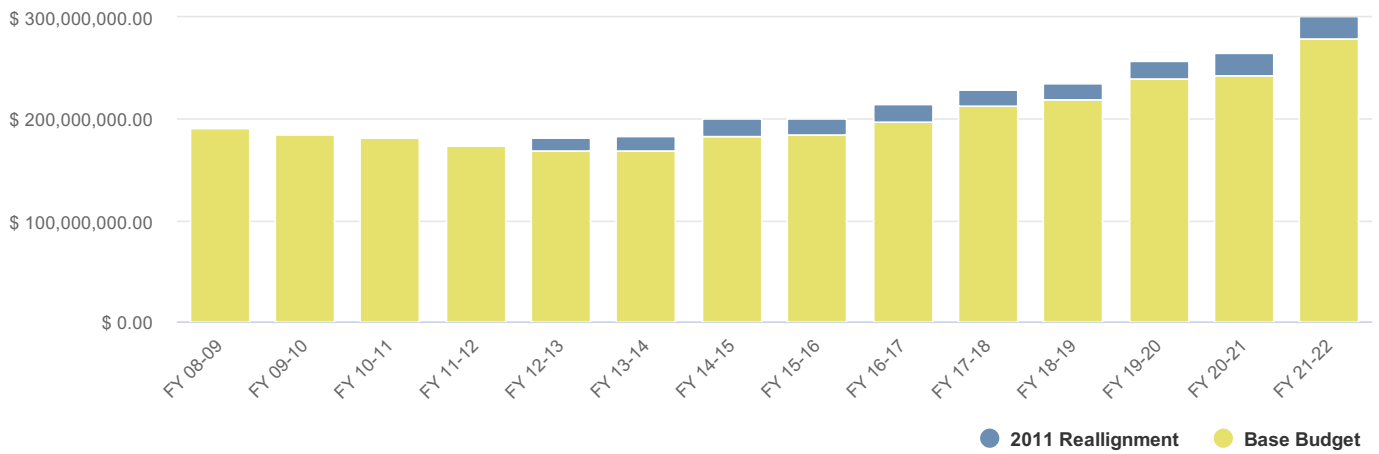


General Fund Expenses
County Executive Office

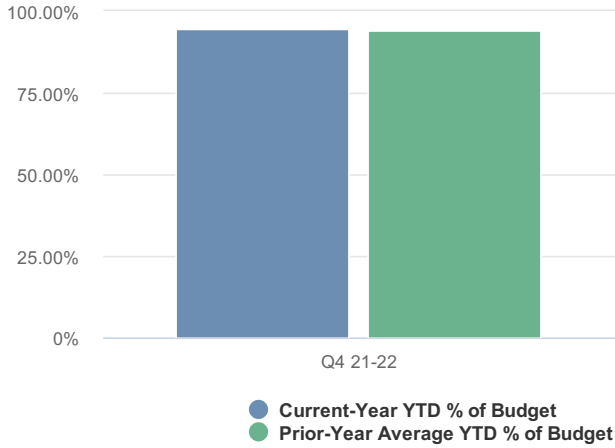


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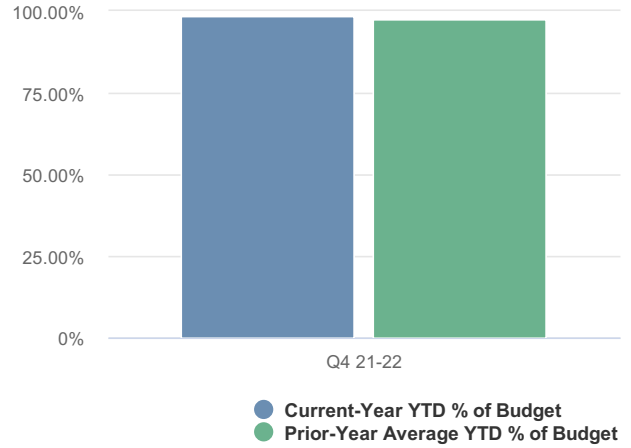
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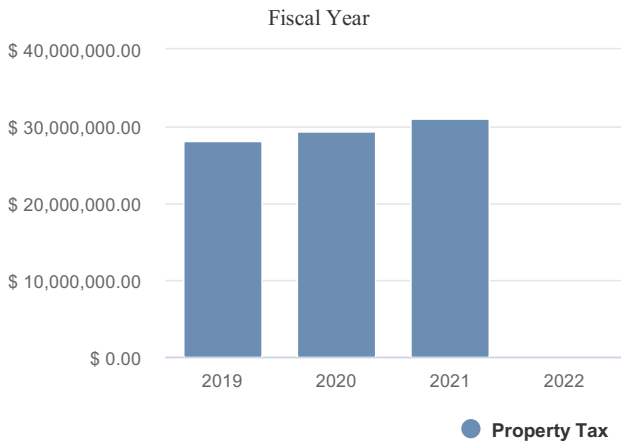
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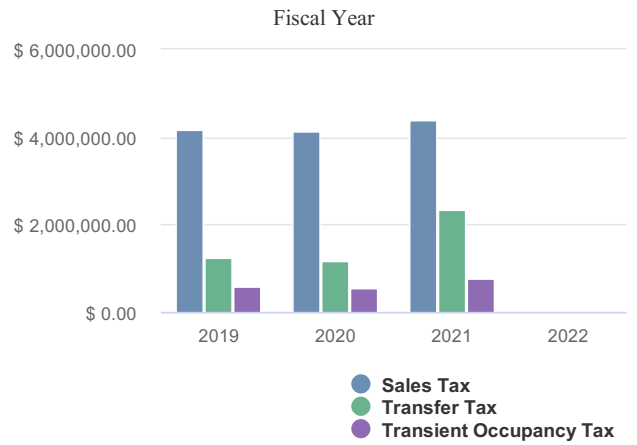
General Fund Expenses
General Fund Expenses



Property Tax
Key General Fund Revenues



Sales, Transfer, TOT Taxes
Key General Fund Revenues



Owner

MP Martin Polt (CEO)



Lead the community in all hazards planning, preparedness, response, and recovery with a focus on wildfire. Do this by focusing on improving countywide evacuation safety, continuing to strengthen early alert and warning systems; creating more defensible space around properties and roadways, engaging residents in emergency preparedness and fire-safe land stewardship, leading the community in recovery from Federally declared disasters and by mitigating the impact of Public Safety Power Shutoff Events.



Progress Update

Q2-22

In Q2 OES peaked in its planning outreach and education events as the county entered the significant danger of fire season. County staff are transitioning to a response footing during peak fire season.

OES and Public Works approached their goals for roadside vegetation reduction and defensible space inspections but were challenged by staffing and capacity issues stemming from the December thru January Winter Storm.

In Q2 OES also conducted outreach over 6 weekends in this quarter tabling at Earth Day in Nevada City, conducting neighborhood level outreach at Darkhorse, Cascade Shores and Lake Wildwood and OES was at other more formal events like the Home and Garden Show at the Fairgrounds.

In Q2 OES made continued gains in the implementation of Phase I of the FEMA AFN Defensible Space Grant with the approval of contracts and planning with the Fire Safe Council.

In Q2 the Nevada County Defensible Space Program opened 84 cases, with 11 coming into compliance on the first visit, 41 coming into compliance after the notice to abate was sent, 19 came into compliance after a warning letter was sent, 2 after the first citation and 2 after the second citation and 5 after the third citation. 78 cases were complaint driven and 6 were proactive cases. In Q2 the DSI program saw a 47% compliance rate and a 49% education rate.

In Q2 the Nevada County EOC was open for 7 days in support of the Golden Fire in Yuba County and for the Nevada County Rice's Fire.

In Q2 OES took on the Winter Storm Recovery Project after being approved for California Disaster Assistance Act funding while making slow but steady progress with the Jones & River Fire Recovery Projects.

Lastly OES worked with local utilities on their PSPS/PSOM plans and addressed numerous vegetation management concerns with the utilities.

Next Steps

Q2-22

In Q3 OES plans to continue wildfire readiness and evacuation messaging ahead of the peak of the most dangerous segment of fire season (July-September).

In Q3 OES will have the final version of the Ready Set Go Handbook printed off for local distribution and will mail a handbook to every incorporated and unincorporated resident.

In Q3 the DSI team will continue to workshop the fuel on open lands and 50/50 cost share concerns brought forward by residents with the intent of bringing recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors in September.

OES hopes to bring forward rewrites of local plans to the Emergency Services Council for approval in Q3.

The Nevada County EOC will continue to grow its team and focus in on wildfire readiness with the likelihood of more evacuations and EOC activations.



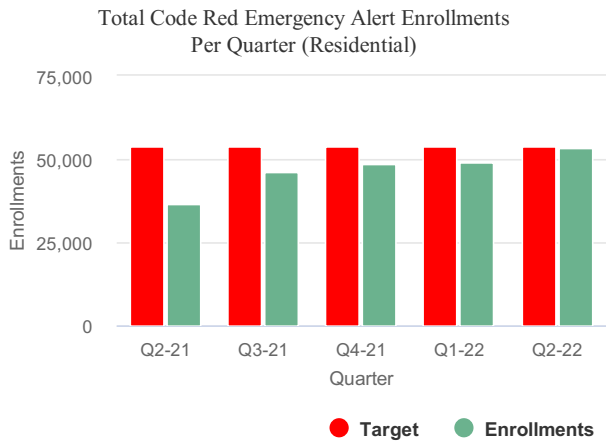
Initiatives

- ↑ **Reduce Hazardous Vegetation on County-Maintained Roads and County Owned Property**
 Information and General Services | 1/1/21 - 12/31/21
- ↑ **Planning and Preparedness**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22
- ↑ **Hazard Mitigation**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/21
- ↑ **Response**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/21
- **Recovery**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/21
- ↑ **Public Safety Power Shutoff Preparation**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/21
- ↑ **Facilitate the Yuba River Cohort to Increase Safety at the River for Neighbors and Visitors**
 County Executive Office | 1/1/21 - 12/31/21

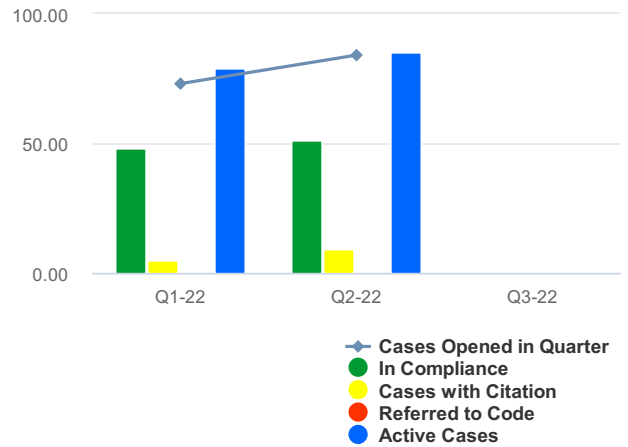
Measures

- ↑ **Improve Early Warning Systems and Emergency Communications to Reach Everyone**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022
- ↑ **Roadside Vegetation Treatment**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022
- **Emergency Response Activation**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022
- ↑ **DSI Inspection Program**
 Office of Emergency Services 2022

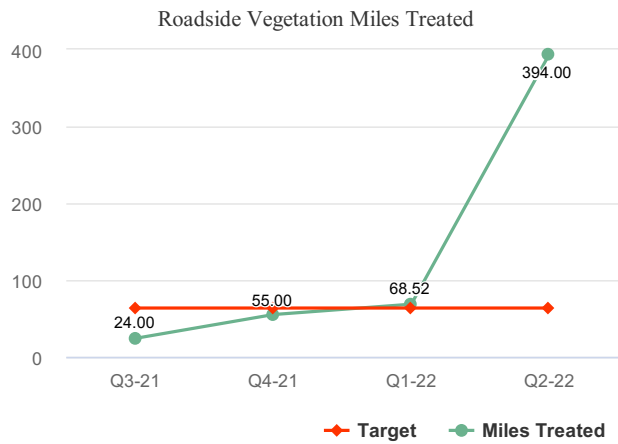
↑ **Total Code Red Emergency Alert** Improve Early Warning Systems and Emergency Communications to Reach Everyone



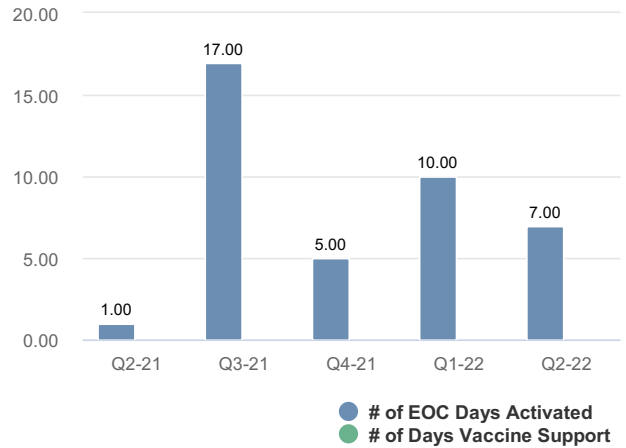
↑ **DSI Inspection Program Case Status** DSI Inspection Program



Roadside Vegetation Treatment
Roadside Vegetation Treatment



Emergency Response Activation
Emergency Response Activation



Promote economic development by emphasizing resiliency and entrepreneurship; retaining and attracting high quality jobs; investing in major infrastructure projects; and working with local, state and federal partners to support our small business, nonprofit, and tourism sectors.



Progress Update

Q2-22

Staff and partners promoted economic development through five board initiatives, with Quarter One progress achieved in each initiative.

1. Support tourism: Launched the new Go Nevada County marketing campaign.

2. Diversify economy, create equity and sustainability

- Launched planning processes, including community survey to inform priority projects in anticipation of the Community Economic Resiliency Fund release, to position Nevada County to secure funds for economic development priorities.
- Contracted with Sierra Business Council for economic development program management services including Business Technical Assistance; Warm Handoff Coordination; Inclusive Business Collaboration; and Rural Broadband Expansion, and regional coordination with CERF and CEDS.
- Engaged with Pioneer Community energy to explore implementation of community choice aggregation for Nevada County.
- Supported launch of a Western Nevada County Community Foundation. The foundation is developing a board.

3. Establish infrastructure and further projects and plans to support economic vitality

- CDA staff reinstated programs that increase access to CDA customers through the Building Outpost at the Nevada County Contractor's Association and the over-the-counter plan review program. The Outstanding Public Service (OPS) Team in collaboration with the CDA Leadership Team
- The As-Built Policy Advisory Group implemented the unpermitted improvements (as-built) policy to improve permitting accessibility and efficiency.
- Completed the initial drafts of the affordable housing master plan project, finalized drafts are to be completed in the coming months.
- The Outstanding Public Service (OPS) Team in collaboration with the CDA Leadership Team worked to implement initial updates to the lobby areas and finalize draft process workflows for multiple land use processes for customers and employees.
- Nevada County partnered with South Area MAC for the Higgins Area Plan, analyzing stakeholder interviews and existing conditions analysis, and hosted third public workshop to present draft concept proposals incorporating community input received from previous workshops. Input from this workshop will be used to define specific plan goals and policies to achieve the community vision.
- The County nearly completed the fee study and final determination of the tank site. Began to work on USDA funding application and to work with State and Federal Lobbyists to identify additional funding sources. Additional funding opportunities include reaching out to Nevada County's state legislators for state-level earmark funding. And the preliminary water source has been identified for the first fill of the tank.

4. Seek Funding and Advocate for Economic development Priorities

- Nevada County distributed \$107,500 in California Microbusiness Covid-19 grant funding from the California Office of the Small Business Advocate to 43 Nevada County Microbusinesses.
- The County awarded \$140,000 in a second round of Community Resiliency Grant funding to three entities providing capacity building support to small businesses, continues to administer Community Resiliency Grant awards to nonprofits, small businesses, and special districts through ARPA-funded Community Resiliency Grants,
- Member designated funding requests submitted to congressional representatives for economic development priorities of Independence Trail reconstruction, and Higgins area sidewalk and pedestrian improvements are moving forward with congressional

5. Support Business Attraction, Retention and Growth

- Sustained business technical assistance was provided through SBC contract. During the first 6 months of the year, SBC provided free one-on-one technical assistance to 219 unique businesses with 627 hours of advisory services. SBC hosted 36 individual workshops, serving 202 participants and completed a 12-part Business Igniter workshop series with Sierra Commons.
- A framework was drafted for funding and operational options to establish the ARPA funded revolving loan fund for Nevada County small businesses.



Priority next steps for each initiative include:

1. To **support tourism**, staff and Local Freshies contractor will build on social media campaign and grow content and reach of Go Nevada County website.
2. To **diversify economy, create equity and sustainability**, maintain SBC Contract.
3. To **establish infrastructure and further projects and plans to support economic vitality**, we will continue to enhance permitting process by implementing improved customer experience in the CDA customer service lobby areas, and continuing process improvement. Staff will focus on Affordable Housing Master Plan project, and update associated policies and procedures related to unpermitted improvement policy (amended as-built permitting process improvements) as recommended by the As-Built Policy Advisory Group.

With respect to projects milestones, quarter two next steps include communicating with the Donner Summit Association regarding their Soda Springs Visitor Amenities project recommendations and continuing to work on interim visitor management solutions. We plan to complete the engineering study for North San Juan Fire Suppression project, including analyzing potential fees, and request cultural assessment from BLM, complete USDA funding application, complete environmental study on project site and begin pre-work needed to secure easements. We will continue to partner with Penn Valley Community Foundation leaders to identify next steps. We will present the Public Draft of the Area Plan and listen to community members about the goals and policies presented, policy prioritization, and potential implementation actions. The public workshop will present potential policy alternatives for inclusion in the Area Plan and hear from community members about what they would like to see in their community, guiding future development and laying the framework for plan implementation.

4. To **seek funding and advocate for economic development priorities** we will continue to monitor CERF fund; submit letter of partnership and participation to CERF, including priority projects. We will continue to monitor and apply for climate adaptation and mitigation funds, and use community input to inform proposal development, and prepare to submit proposals in second quarter of 2022, and identify advocacy opportunities.
5. To support **business attraction, retention and growth**, we will sustain business technical assistance through SBC contract, continue to administer Community Resiliency Grant Funds, including new business-focused grants; and continue to share grant opportunities to local nonprofits and other small businesses.
 - Economic Development workgroup to review framework and identify plan for and timeline to implement ARPA funded revolving loan fund for Nevada County small businesses.
 - Sustaining the Nevada County Relief fund with current balance unchanged in Quarter one, to be leveraged for future needs.

Initiatives



Support Tourism

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Cultivate economic diversification, sustainability and equity

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Establish infrastructure, further projects and plans to support economic vitality

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Seek Funding and Advocate for Economic Development Priorities

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Support business attraction, retention and growth

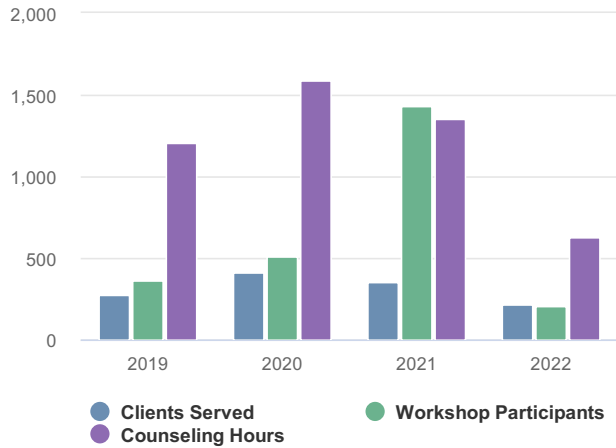
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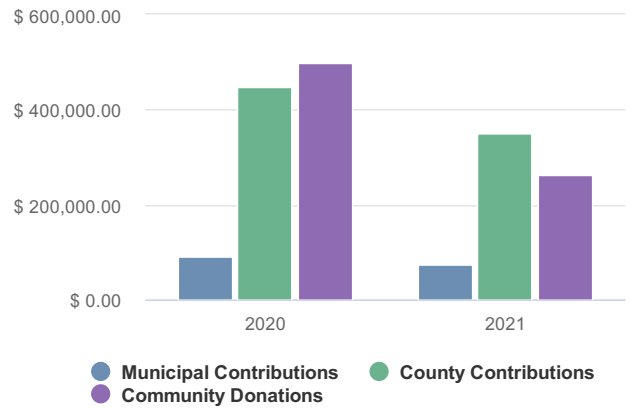
Sierra Business Council Metrics



Nevada County Relief Fund

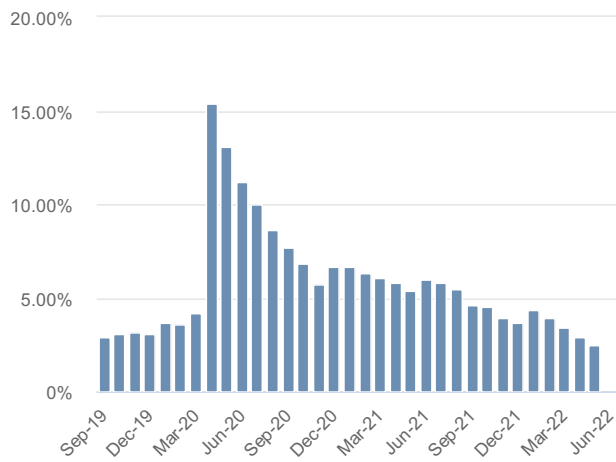
Nevada County Relief Fund

\$1.73 Million raised and distributed to date



Unemployment Rate

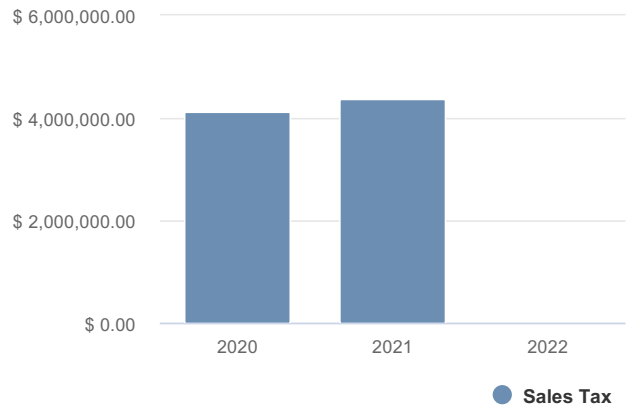
Nevada County Unemployment Rate



Sales Tax

Key General Fund Revenues

Unincorporated Nevada County



Owner

AL Ariel Lovett



Equitably expand broadband to support economic development, distance-learning, telework, telemedicine, and general quality of life for all residents by championing the implementation of Nevada County Broadband Strategy Plan policies and last-mile infrastructure projects.



Progress Update

Q2-22

in the past quarter (April-June 2022), the Broadband Work Group:

1. Prepared the administrative draft of the Countywide Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
2. Managed the “Last-Mile” grants program and supported in-progress ISP projects
3. Sought grant funding and advocate at the state and federal level for broadband
4. Funded the Dig-Once policy


Next Steps

Q2-22

Next quarter, the County’s Broadband Work Group expects to:

- Continue working with Ascent Environmental, Inc. to finalize the administrative draft of the Programmatic EIR process, and then release the Draft EIR for the 45-day public comment period.
- Implement the 3rd round of the Last-Mile grants (at least \$250,000 from the Economic Development Infrastructure assignment of the General Fund); and
- Continue to seek state and federal funding for large-scale broadband projects .

Initiatives

 **Complete the Programmatic EIR and expand the permitting “tool kit” to facilitate broadband.**


Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22

 **Manage the “Last-Mile” Broadband Grant program with Sierra Business Council.**


Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22

 **Update the County’s “Broadband Strategy”**

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22

 **Fund and implement the Dig-Once policy**

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22

 **Engage and inform the community about County efforts to expand Broadband**

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22

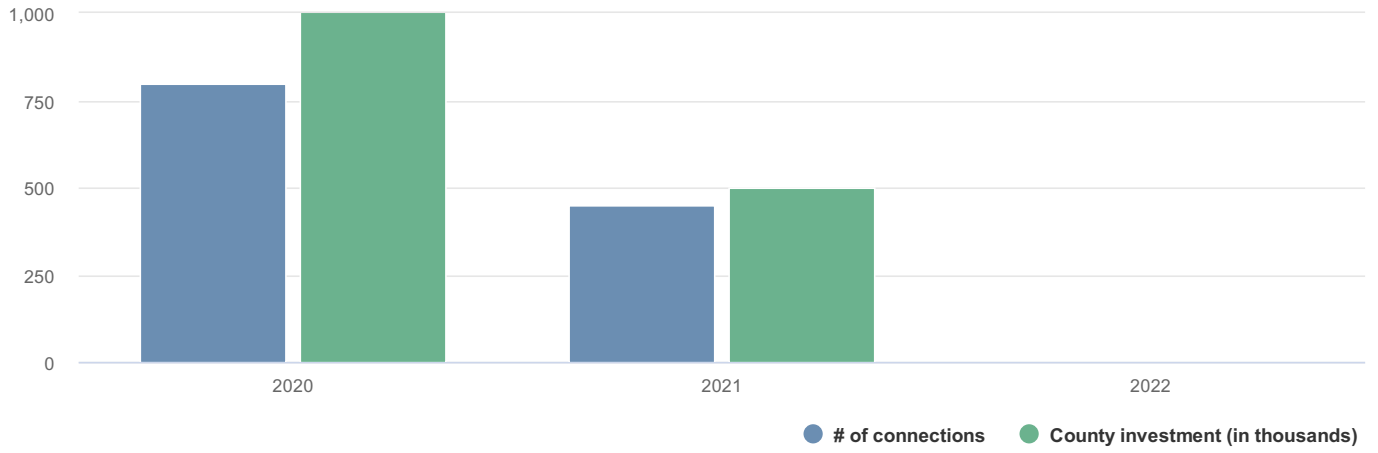
 **Seek grant funding and advocate at state and federal level for broadband.**

Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Last-Mile Broadband Connections

Last-Mile Broadband Connections



Owner

 Steve Monaghan (IGS)



Maintain and continue to improve the cannabis permitting and enforcement program to promote permitted cannabis activities while investigating options for additional license types related to larger cultivation area and micro-businesses.



Progress Update Q2-22

During the past quarter staff continued to respond to permitting demands while investigating public concerns.

Staff also:

- Presented the cannabis ordinance enforcement related modifications to Planning Commission and Board of Supervisor and received approval.
- Collaborated with local and state enforcement agencies to proactively address illicit cannabis cultivation, focusing on egregious and high impact areas.
- Leveraged Unmanned Aircraft Surveillance (UAS) tool to improve inspection outcomes, staff safety, and successful abatement.
- Collaborated to create redline ordinance changes including cannabis license type changes and communicated with Environmental Impact Report (EIR) consultant regarding proposed changes.
- Continued to meet with neighborhood groups to receive feedback regarding cannabis neighborhood impact.
- Established monthly meetings with California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GoBiz) to discuss future application opportunities for rural counties.

Next Steps Q2-22

In the next quarter, staff will:




- Collaborate with NCSO to strategize effective Cannabis enforcement team.
- Collaborate with EIR consultant to review findings regarding proposed changes.
- Strategize on the utilization of the Department of Cannabis Control Grant.
- Collaborate with local, state enforcement agencies to proactively address illicit cannabis cultivation, focusing on egregious and high impact areas.

Initiatives

- Maintain Collaborative Illegal Cannabis Cultivation Enforcement Program**
Cannabis Division | 12/1/19 - 12/31/20
- Collect Quarterly Cannabis Business Taxes**
Cannabis Division | 7/1/19 - 6/30/20
- Research New Cannabis License Types**
Cannabis Division | 4/1/20 - 12/31/20
- Maintain a Cannabis Permitting Program**
Cannabis Division | 1/1/20 - 12/31/20

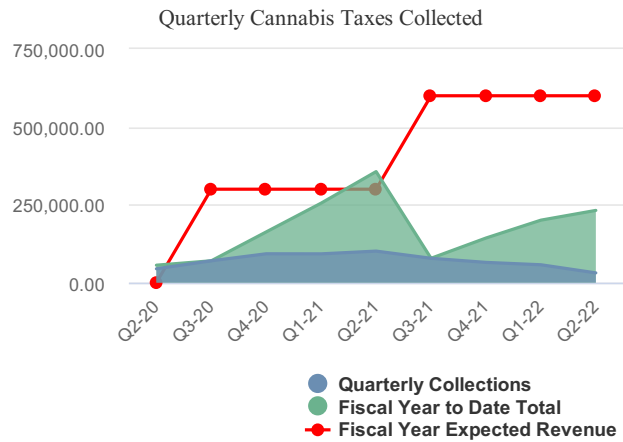


Measures

-  **Cannabis Enforcement Complaints**
Cannabis Division
-  **Cannabis Permits**
Cannabis Division
-  **Cannabis Tax Revenue**
County Executive Office

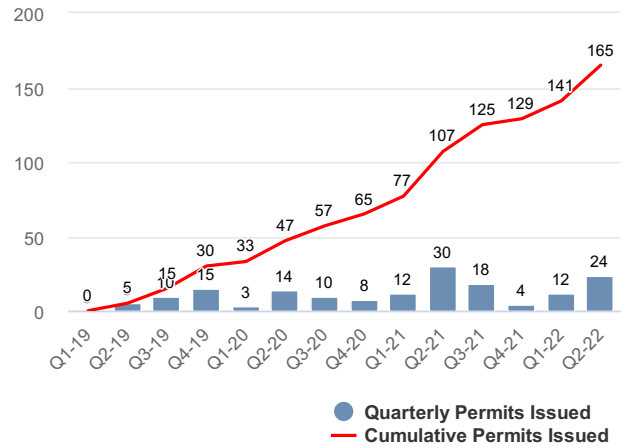
Cannabis Tax Revenue

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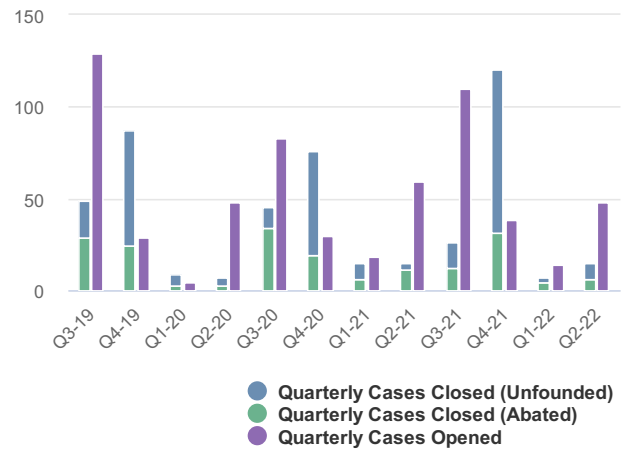
Total Permits Issued by Quarter

Cannabis Permits



Quarterly Cannabis Enforcement Complaints

Cannabis Enforcement Complaints



Owner

 Craig Griesbach (CDA)



Coordinate with local jurisdictions, developers, and other partners to facilitate development of, and access, to affordable and workforce housing development.



Progress Update

Q2-22

Highlights from the past quarter (April-June 2022)

In collaboration with community partners and stakeholders, Nevada County Housing and Community Services works to develop and implement options for housing development and programs to expand housing options for individuals.

- Behavioral Health Community Infrastructure Program funds were awarded to purchase a property on **Sutton Way** to be used as a day center and navigation center.
- Construction is well underway on Cashin's Field and is scheduled to be completed spring of 2023. The project will provide 51 units of affordable workforce housing.
- **Brunswick Commons** completion has been delayed due to pandemic supply chain issues and is scheduled for completion and leasing in July. This project will provide 41 units of housing to homeless individuals with 12 units set aside for permanent supportive housing.
- **Empire Mine Courtyard** is nearing completion of renovations and will convert 21 units of affordable permanent housing for households experiencing homelessness. These units will begin leasing up in August.
- The Ranch House: No Place Like Home Round 2 funding in the amount of \$1,412,000 is being used to convert an existing three-bedroom, two bath County owned property into six individual units of permanent supportive housing with estimated completion of January of 2023. The project is in the design phase.
- **Pacific Crest Commons** is a collaboration between HCS staff, Regional Housing Authority, developer The Pacific Companies (TPC), and the Town of Truckee to secure financing for the California Highway Patrol surplus site in Truckee. Round 4 No Place Like Home funding has been awarded. The project will incorporate 10 supportive housing units into the project. The project has also secured \$2M in local soft financing for development costs.
- **The Landlord Liaison and Recruitment (LLP) program** is currently underway and is being promoted to the public through press releases, collaboration with local businesses, and through Community Solutions and the Built for Zero initiative.

Next Steps

Q2-22

Nevada County Housing and Community Services will continue to work with partners and stakeholders to support construction and development of housing projects, explore options for development in Eastern County, identify parcels and project partners for potential developments, deliver down payment and rental assistance, and coordinate on funding opportunities.

Initiatives

 **Housing Master Plans Project**
Board of Supervisors 2022 | 10/1/21 - 10/31/21

 **Implement a centralized Landlord Liaison Program (LLP)**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/22 - 6/30/24

 **Facilitate and promote partnerships for the development of affordable and supportive housing**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 6/30/24



Measures



New Housing Units Built in Unincorporated Areas

Community Development Agency



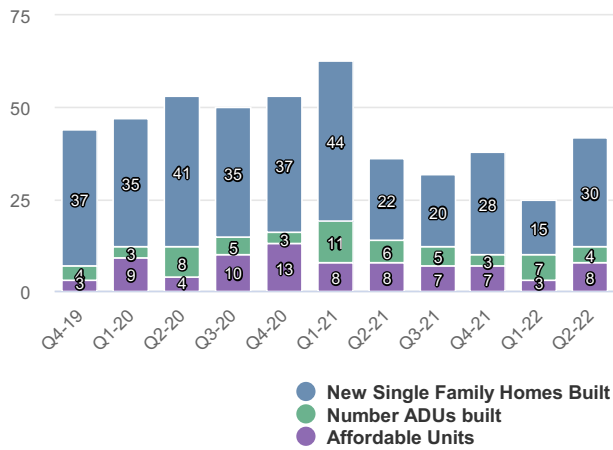
Housing Units

Homeless Plan Phase 1



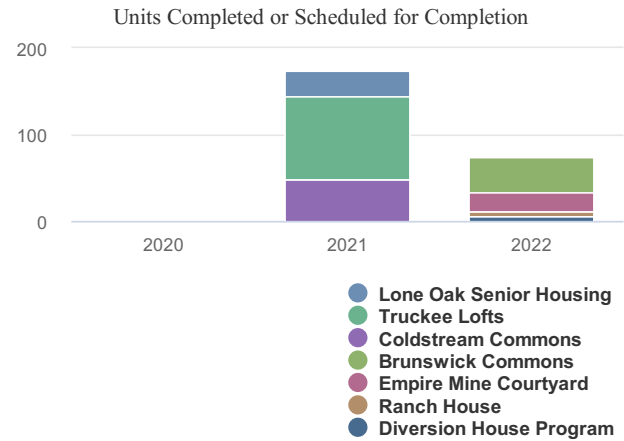
New Housing Units Built

New Housing Units Built in Unincorporated Areas



Affordable Housing Units

Housing Units





Homelessness

Board of Supervisors 2022

Leverage partnerships, housing first, and sustainable reforms in order to continue efforts to prevent homelessness, provide emergency shelter, expand supportive services, secure housing, and enhance coordination to address the needs of the homeless population and to mitigate impacts on the community



Progress Update

Q2-22

Highlights from Q1 (April-June)

- Behavioral Health Community Infrastructure Program funds were awarded to purchase a property on Sutton Way to be used as a day center and navigation center.
- Empire Mine Courtyard is under renovation and will convert 21 units of affordable permanent housing by June 2022 for households experiencing homelessness by August 2022.
- Continued to work closely with state and federal partners to utilize Built for Zero data to target ending homelessness among veterans by Veteran's Day, 2021. The effort served 37 veterans; 14 veterans secured permanent housing, 3 were assisted in relocation, and 4 were provided assistance to secure housing. There are 16 homeless veterans remaining in Nevada County, 11 of whom have active housing plans. A new goal was set to reach functional zero by the end of 2022.
- Collaborated with the local CoC to complete a Homeless Action Plan (pursuant to new state regulations governing allocations of funding to address homelessness). The plan was presented to both the CoC and the Board of Supervisors with opportunity for public comment and will be submitted to the state.
- Housing and Community Services worked with the Nevada Regional Continuum of Care to draw down funding for homeless services, including funding related to COVID-19, as well as coordinating efforts within the department to apply for new funding sources for homelessness services.
- The Landlord Recruitment Program is currently underway and is being promoted to the public through press releases, collaboration with local businesses, and through Community Solutions and the Built for Zero initiative.
- Housing and Community Services worked with the CoC and partners to conduct a 2022 Point in Time (PIT) count, including a youth specific PIT count.
- Awarded \$1,000,000 in Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) funds for homeless services and case management.

Next Steps

Q2-22





- Continue to support the remodel of the final 9 units of housing at Empire Mine Courtyard
- Work with State agency to get the Homeless Action Plan reviewed and approved so the remaining Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) funds can be released by State.
- Work with regional partners to conduct a solicitation for a second construction loan for a new affordable housing project on behalf of the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust fund.



Initiatives

-  **Increase availability of rental and mortgage assistance funding to prevent individuals and families from slipping into homeless..**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 6/30/24
-  **Expand services and housing opportunities to transition aged youth and families with children to prevent entry into the adult...**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/22
-  **Strengthen housing focused case management and post housing supportive services**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 6/30/24
-  **Expand year-round shelter capacity**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/22
-  **Expand and strengthen non-congregant, navigation-based, interim housing options**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/22 - 6/30/24
-  **Support system wide improvement to data collection measures, collaboration on funding opportunities, and implementation ...**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 7/31/22
-  **Strengthen the coordinated multi-disciplinary case conferencing team (Homeless Resource Team)**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 6/30/24
-  **Continue to support and strengthen outreach, engagement, and case management**
Homeless Plan 2022 | 1/1/21 - 6/30/24

Measures

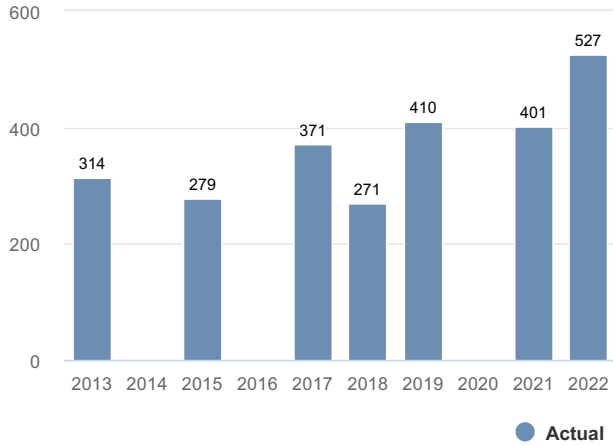
-  **Point in Time Homeless Count**
Homeless Plan Phase 1
-  **Low Barrier Congregate Sheltering**
Homeless Plan Phase 1
-  **HOME Team**
Homeless Plan 2022
-  **Functional Zero and Built for Zero**
Homeless Plan 2022





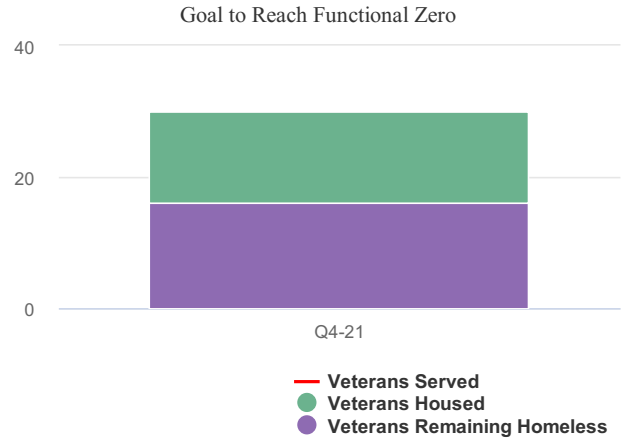
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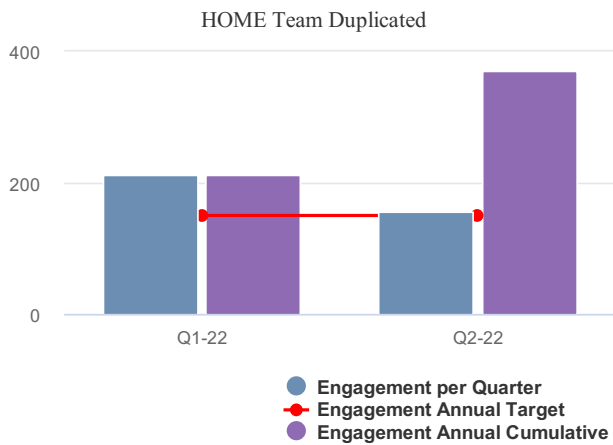
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Functional Zero and Built for Zero



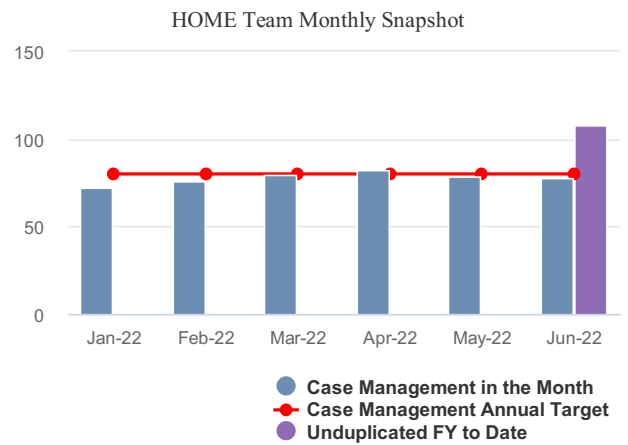
Engagement

HOME Team



Receiving Intensive Case Management

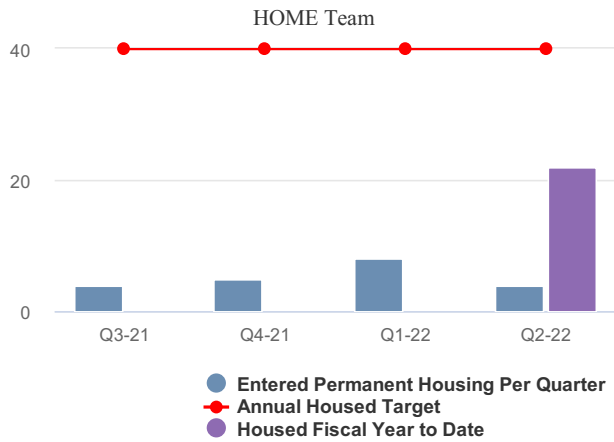
HOME Team





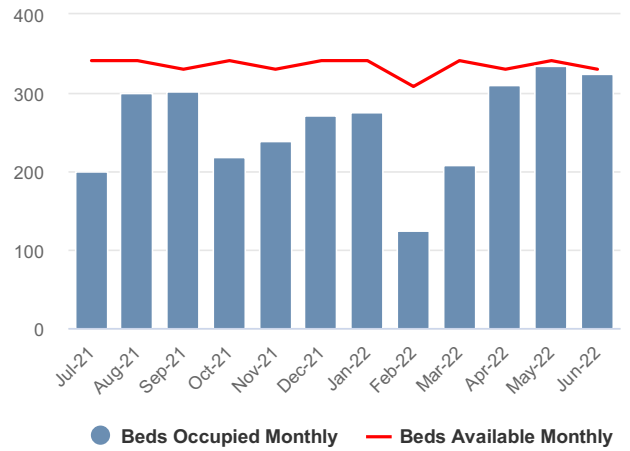
Entered Permanent Housing

HOME Team



Low Barrier Congregate Sheltering Capacity and Beds Occupied

Low Barrier Congregate Sheltering



Owner



Mike Dent (Housing and Community Services)





Recreation

Board of Supervisors 2022

Promote sustainable recreation in partnership with community providers and other jurisdictions to enhance recreational access, support public health and safety, realize economic opportunities, and preserve natural resource assets.



Progress Update

Jun-22

Significant progress has been made on this **new Board objective**, as staff and partners promoted sustainable recreation through six Board initiatives, with Quarter Two progress achieved in each initiative.

1. Develop Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan
 - Released Request for Proposals for the Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan and established review panel; RFP closes 7.14.22.
 - Successfully secured \$200,000 in grant funding from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to contract for the Master Plan development.
2. Promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and other high-use or high-risk destinations.
 - Awarded \$361,795 in ARPA-funded Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund grants for six projects that promote health and safety and access through improved infrastructure at impacted recreation destinations.
 - Awarded \$53,605 in ARPA-funded Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund grants for three ambassador programs addressing emergency health and safety issues in summer 2022 at impacted recreation destinations.
3. Enhance recreation access, health and safety, economic development, and resource conservation.
 - The 30-day public comment period was completed for the Pines to Mines Trail on February 25th by the Tahoe National Forest and the first quarterly report to the County by the Truckee Trails Foundation was completed on March 31st. The Pines to Mines Environmental Assessment is currently on schedule to be completed in the spring of 2023.
 - Second meeting with BLM and Nevada County to move forward with parking access development for Edwards Crossing.
4. Support capacity and sustainability of Western Nevada County organized recreation.
 - Contracted recreation administrator continues to build capacity and support sustainability for Western County organized recreation by working with partner districts to make them viable and sustainable. Held first joint meeting with all three park districts with outcome including working group to discuss resource support and MOU for Jointly Funded Administrative Support, and drafting of MOU inclusions.
5. Identify funding mechanisms and act on advocacy priorities to sustain recreation.
 - Secured \$200,000 from Sierra Nevada Conservancy for the Nevada County Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan.
 - Both Congressionally directed funding requests totaling nearly \$3 million dollars to support two recreation related priorities: Independence Trail and bike and pedestrian access on Combie Road, were recommended by our congressional representatives to be elevated in the funding process.
6. Staff recreation collaborative(s) to promote countywide coordination.
 - Held first all-county Recreation Collaborative Meeting April 22, 2022.
 - In addition, staff continue to convene the South Yuba River Safety Cohort, with monthly meetings, and staff Convene, Champion, Catalyze (CCC) in Eastern Nevada County.

Next Steps







Jun-22

1. To create at Nevada County Recreation and Resilience Master plan, staff will identify and enter into contract for development of Master Plan this quarter.
2. To Promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and other high-use or high-risk destinations, staff will
 - Identify three priority locations for second round of emergency call box installation.
 - Develop public safety video priorities.



- Support implementation of Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund grants, and prepare to release a second round in September or October.
 - Help promote the annual Yuba River Cleanup.
 - Help amplify timely messaging related to river visitation and safety.
 - Continue distributing free Yuba River bandannas with safety messaging to river visitors
3. To enhance recreation access, health and safety, economic development, and resource conservation, priority next steps include:
- Continue to support implementation of Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund grants that address improvements at trailheads or staging and gathering areas such as signage, toilets, parking improvements, land management to reduce fire danger or impacts of visitation, waste management solutions, urgent/emergency maintenance of outdoor recreation sites.
 - Receive signed decision by the Tahoe National Forest Supervisor pertaining to the Environmental Assessment in the Spring/Summer of 2023. This will be followed by a focus on acquiring donation and grant funding to build the new 18-mile trail connection in the Sierra Nevada mountains.
 - Work with BLM on Edwards Satellite Parking lot development.
 - Develop related content on the newly release Go Nevada County website addressing sustainable recreation.
4. To support capacity and sustainability of Western Nevada County organized recreation, priorities include:
- Finalize contract for enhanced recreation administration support.
 - With newly formed park working group, explore/draft MOU for Jointly Funded Administrative Support for park districts.
 - Address the succession of non-governmental service providers.
 - Increase awareness and access to existing programs.
5. Priority next steps to identifying funding mechanisms and act on advocacy priorities to sustain recreation include:
- We will continue to identify recreation related funding opportunities and share with partners, and apply as appropriate.
 - Continue advocating for permanent toilets at Purdon Crossing.
 - Identify priority recreation opportunities that align with CERF or other climate and economic development funding opportunities.
6. Staff will convene and support recreation collaborative(s) to promote countywide coordination, with priorities including:
- Convening recreation summit in October 2022.
 - Convening stakeholders on Master Plan and opportunity for collaboration.
 - Continuing to convene South Yuba River Safety Cohort and the Convene, Champion, Catalyze collaborative.

Initiatives

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Develop Recreation and Resilience Master Plan
 Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22
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Promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and other high-use or high-risk areas.
 Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22
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Enhance recreation access, health and safety, economic development, and resource conservation.
 Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22
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Staff recreation collaborative(s) to promote countywide coordination.
 Board of Supervisors 2022 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Initiative Details

Board of Supervisors 2022

Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
OBJECTIVES		
<p>↑ Financial Stability and Core Services</p>		
<p>↑ Control Staffing Levels and County Costs by Reviewing All Requests for Staffing Changes and Vacancies for Revenue Availability and Staffing Alternatives. County Executive Office</p>	<p>The FY 22/23 budget was adopted with a staffing of 844 FTE. This is a 43 FTE, or 5% increase in staffing levels as compared to the FY 21/22 adopted budget. This growth represents an alignment of staffing levels in key areas to support the delivery of core services and allow for increased focus on board priorities.</p> <p>The County continues to be 20% below staffing of the early 2000's, and we continue to have authorized staffing levels per 1,000 population (8.3 in FY 22-23) that is well below the majority of similar counties (average of 12.2 per 1000)</p> <p>It is important to note that the County budgets for the full cost of authorized positions, even when some of those positions may be held vacant as part of the County's vacancy review process, which looks to ensure the delivery of excellent services while looking at alternatives to hiring staff.</p>	<p>County leadership will continue to evaluate targeted staffing increases as departments receive additional sustainable revenue to meet objectives and community needs.</p>
<p>↑ Implement Technology, Roads and Facilities Projects as Identified in the County's Financial Management Plans. Information and General Services</p>	<p>Deferred Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ERAC Elevator renovation total budget \$139,000 <p>ADA/Safety Improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed the ERAC full generator project at a total budget of \$478,500. Road Sidewalk replacement Backup Generator design for Jail, Bryton Greens, Crown Point. <p>Department-specific projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed multi department renovation at the Truckee Joseph Center, including an ADA entrance enhancement. Total project budget of \$848,000. Completed the Dispatch relocation project to the Juvenile Hall admin wing for a total budget of \$442,000. Completed Bost House Cottage expansion \$393,000 Completed Odyssey House renovation \$ 3 Million 	<p>Deferred Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Helling Library window replacement Joseph Center exterior painting Truckee Library landscape renovation <p>ADA/Safety Improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purchase and go out to bid for installation of Backup Generator or Jail, Bryton Greens, Crown Point. Design for Jail ADA entrance renovations ERAC Camera Upgrades <p>Department-specific projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal Shelter Design Bear River Library go out to bid Jail health services wing renovation



Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
<p data-bbox="94 199 129 231">↑</p> <p data-bbox="151 161 282 275"> Increase Collection of Delinquent Taxes Nevada County </p>	<p data-bbox="358 161 984 243"> Since April 1, 2022 the Treasurer & Tax Collector has performed the following activity in regard to the collection of delinquent property related taxes: </p> <ul data-bbox="370 275 997 1409" style="list-style-type: none"> • Collected \$802K in delinquent secured debt, leaving an outstanding delinquent secured balance of \$5.7M • Collected \$68M in current secured taxes leaving an unpaid balance of \$5M out of \$280M in secured taxes billed • Collected \$38.5K in defaulted unsecured debt, releasing 15 liens and leaving an outstanding delinquent unsecured balance of \$374K. • Sent notices and tax demands to 3,600 taxpayers with unpaid taxes • In May we generated and mailed 851 delinquent unsecured notices which resulted in significant improved collections for the delinquent unsecured roll • Performed Eastern and Western Nevada county field work resulting in 1 pay off with 3 years delinquent taxes and establishing new communication with several businesses. • Received FTB tax intercepts totaling \$10,885.35 • Collected and processed 131 secured tax redemptions, totaling \$847K. • Monitored 4 new bankruptcy cases to ensure proper filing of claims and timely payments. • Began tax auction process for the November 2022 tax sale with 62 new potential properties identified. • Chose a new vendor for online tax sales to keep the costs as low as possible for property owners. (\$0 cost to county as fees are paid by property owners) • Performed TOT site visits as a test for whether field work in this area would be beneficial. Our visit to two Western Nevada Count TOT Operators yielded a combined collection of \$37K. delinquent operators. • Offered in-person tax collection in Truckee on March 31 and April 1 at Truckee Town Hall • Launched the statewide property tax relief program in conjunction with the State which offers up to \$20K in property tax relief to qualified homeowners affected by COVID • Re-Launched social media platforms to help disseminate information to the community regarding upcoming tax dates and assistance programs 	<ul data-bbox="1040 174 1533 583" style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue site visits for unpaid unsecured taxes to start the process of seizure and sale if balances remain unpaid. • Continue site visits for TOT delinquent operators • File Power to Sale documentation for all remaining auction properties in continued preparation for the Nov 2022 Auction • Utilize new electronic recording system to file unsecured tax liens electronically in conjunction with Recorder's Office for remaining unpaid unsecured bills • Utilize DMV Boat hold process for unsecured delinquent tax collection
<p data-bbox="94 1528 129 1560">↑</p> <p data-bbox="151 1444 310 1650"> Increase Countywide Fiscal Expertise Through Training, Reporting and Collaboration County Executive Office </p>	<p data-bbox="358 1444 974 1677"> Q2 of 2022 saw the finalization and adoption of the Fiscal Year 22-23 Budget. Throughout this process, the Interim Budget Analyst Program was leveraged to arrive at final adoption. The Program provides an opportunity for 3 staff from departments to be engaged in the process of reviewing submitted budget proposals for reasonableness, accuracy and alignment with County priorities. These staff then take this experience back to their departments and into their future career paths. </p>	<p data-bbox="1027 1444 1516 1560"> Opportunities to improve and/or expand the Interim Budget Analyst Program will be evaluated in Q3 as CEO fiscal staff prepare for the next budget cycle. </p>







Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
<p data-bbox="94 212 126 243">↑</p> <p data-bbox="151 161 315 254">Ensure Healthy Performance of County General Fund</p> <p data-bbox="151 254 297 300">County Executive Office</p>	<p data-bbox="358 161 992 336">General Fund performance is measured on a Fiscal Year basis (July through June). Q2, 2022 represents Q4 of the 21/22 Fiscal Year. This Initiative compares year-to date actual transactions as compared to the adopted budget for the General Fund and uses a 3-year historical average of that same comparison to determine overall performance.</p> <p data-bbox="358 352 967 441">Note: not included in the data are transactions in the accrual period, which captures transactions initiated before July 1, but not yet posted to the financial system.</p> <p data-bbox="358 457 984 571">General Fund revenues and expenses, as a percentage of adopted budget, are performing in line with historical averages through Fiscal Q4 and are on track to remain in line through the accrual period.</p>	<p data-bbox="1029 161 1495 216">Continue to monitor revenues and expenses to ensure healthy performance.</p>



Initiative Details





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Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
OBJECTIVES		
 Emergency Preparedness		
 <p>Planning and Preparedness Office of Emergency Services 2022</p>	<p>During Q2 OES partnered with the Kiwanis of Nevada County for the May 7th Children’s Safety Carnival. This event was well attended by families, non-profits and first responders helping to ensure our community and its children stay safe.</p> <p>In Q2 OES members attended the multi-day virtual "Preparing Your City for Wildfire" conference. This allowed the OES team to keep up to date on legislation changes, new scientific standards, best practices and emerging technologies around wildfire.</p> <p>The OES team met monthly with community partners and conducted outreach and planning at the Quarterly Wildfire Stakeholder Meeting, the monthly CAUSSS meeting with the schools, the monthly Coalition of Firewise Communities and Fire Safe Council Meetings.</p> <p>In Q2 OES also conducted outreach over 6 weekends in this quarter tabling at Earth Day in Nevada City, conducting neighborhood level outreach at Darkhorse, Cascade Shores and Lake Wildwood and OES was at other more formal events like the Home and Garden Show at the Fairgrounds.</p> <p>Lastly OES partnered with the Fire Safe Council on their annual Wildfire Safety Guide. The team updated content that went out to every newspaper and Lake Wildwood Independent subscriber.</p>	<p>In Q3 OES will still meet the public for wildfire outreach but will be reducing the number of venues as we spend more time on Emergency Operations Center (EOC) response.</p> <p>OES plans to conduct an Emergency Services Council Meeting where the Mass Care and Shelter Annex will be brought forward for approval. OES also plans to rewrite the Heat Annex, Evac Annex and Alert & Warning Annex in Q3.</p> <p>In Q3 OES will have the final version of the Ready Set Go Handbook printed off for local distribution and will mail a handbook to every incorporated and unincorporated resident.</p> <p>The OES team will conduct media interviews, radio spots and online messaging that encourages the public to remain ready for the ongoing fire season.</p>
 <p>Facilitate the Yuba River Cohort to Increase Safety at the River for Neighbors and Visitors County Executive Office</p>	<p>OES finalized the installation of three additional satellite phones that will be installed at the Yuba River. This lifesaving tool has already been credited with significantly shortening law and fire response times to injuries and fires.</p>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July – September 2022) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help promote the annual Yuba River Cleanup. Help amplify timely messaging related to river visitation and safety. Continue distributing free Yuba River bandannas with safety messaging to river visitors. Continue advocating for permanent toilets at Purdon Crossing.
 <p>Hazard Mitigation Office of Emergency Services 2022</p>	<p>Grants:</p> <p>In Q2 OES worked with the Fire Safe Council to develop and execute contracts for the two FEMA Access and Functional Needs (AFN) Defensible Space Grants. These contracts encompass Phase 1 of these grants which combined will proved hazardous vegetation treatment on 123 properties and will conduct pre-inspections on an additional 765 homes. This Phase 1 of these grants will total \$1.3 million dollars.</p> <p>The DSI team has been written into the FEMA AFN Defensible Space Grants, which require DSI inspectors to inspect homes before and after defensible space treatment. In Q2 the OES team hired two temporary DSI’s to focus on this grant work.</p>	<p>In Q3 the DSI team will continue to workshop the fuel on open lands and 50/50 cost share concerns brought forward by residents with the intent of bringing recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors in September 2022.</p> <p>In Q3 OES will begin work with the Fire Safe Council inspecting prequalified homes ahead of abatement.</p> <p>In Q3 OES will continue to implement the FEMA AFN Defensible Space Grant home treatment and pre-inspection schedule.</p> <p>In Q3 the OES team will complete contracting with Fire Safe Council for the CAI FIRC funded South</p>



Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
	<p>In Q2 OES worked with CAL FIRE and the Fire Safe Council to close out Phase 1 of the Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone Project.</p> <p>In Q2 OES staff met with Assemblywoman Dahle and advocated for a more expeditious timeline and faster funding of federal wildfire mitigation projects.</p> <p>In Q2 the OES team began seeking local state agency funding to provide match solutions for federal funds that have been applied for, including \$750K FY23 earmark funds focused on maintenance of Phase 1 of the Ponderosa Project and FEMA funds for the South Yuba Rim Project.</p> <p>Green Waste:</p> <p>During this reporting period the final western county green waste free community drop off event in collaboration with the Nevada County Firesafe Council, CAL FIRE and Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District was held totaling 1,514.29 tons of green waste. Three eastern county green waste free community drop off events in collaboration with the Town of Truckee, Truckee Fire Protection District, CAL FIRE, and the Nevada County Firesafe Council were held filling thirty, 30-yard green waste dumpsters of material. Waste Management in collaboration with Nevada County held two free green waste customer drop off events at the McCourtney Road Transfer Station totaling over 92 tons of green waste.</p> <p>Defensible Space:</p> <p>In Q2 the Nevada County Defensible Space Program opened 84 cases, with 11 coming into compliance on the first visit, 41 coming into compliance after the notice to abate was sent, 19 coming into compliance after a warning letter was sent, 2 after the first citation and 2 after the second citation and 5 after the third citation. 78 cases were complaint-based and 6 were proactive cases. In Q2 the DSI program saw a 47% compliance rate and a 49% education rate*.</p> <p>The DSI Program filled the new full time DSI inspector position that was created after combining two temp positions. This position will provide more flexibility and a year-round employee to support the ongoing caseload.</p> <p><u>*Educational Rate:</u> The percent of complaint-based and proactive cases with hazardous vegetation violations that achieve compliance with the Nevada County Hazardous Vegetation Ordinance prior to being issued an administrative citation. The goal is 80%.</p>	<p>ded Fuel Break Project. The County will begin work on the CAL FIRE funded Evacuation Study. The County will also contract with USFS for the funds associated with the FY22 \$750K earmark that was approved in June for Phase 2 of the Ponderosa Project.</p>



Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
<p> Response Office of Emergency Services 2022</p>	<p>In Q2 OES used Homeland Security Grant funds to train 27 first responders including the OES Manager in ICS-300 Introductions to Expanding Incidents course taught by Sierra College.</p> <p>The Nevada County EOC was open for 7 days in Q2 for the Yuba County Golden Fire and the Nevada County Rices Fire which burned over 900 acres and destroyed 14 structures. Total EOC team hours were over 200.</p> <p>The EOC Team gained two new members that started training in the EOC operations section.</p> <p>In Q2 OES management staff (Cummings & Scales) taught two CodeRED/IPAWS/Zonehaven courses to Yuba County Sheriff, OES and Dispatch as well as Truckee Fire and Truckee Police Department.</p>	<p>In Q3 The EOC Team will continue to meet Bi-Monthly around EOC topics involving event specific training, statewide credentialing and after action reporting.</p> <p>The EOC Team will also continue to recruit new staff to deepen its bench.</p>
<p> Recovery Office of Emergency Services 2022</p>	<p>In Q2 the County of Nevada was qualified for California Disaster Assistance Act Funding by CAL OES for the December 2021 winter storm. OES staff attended the applicants briefing with CAL OES for this event which is the first step in applying for reimbursement.</p> <p>In Q2 OES also continued to work with county Environmental Health to support residents in the debris removal process stemming from the River Fire. This process involved Environmental Health Case management and ongoing meetings with FEMA & CAL OES. 47 of 47 total properties entered into the State Debris Removal Program have completed all debris removal operations and been returned to the county. Debris removal operations for the River Fire are now complete.</p> <p>In Q2 OES worked with FEMA to track county public costs stemming from the River Fire and enter these into the grant's portal as projects for state and federal reimbursement.</p>	<p>In Q3 OES will take the Jones Fire state and federal reimbursement to the County Board of Supervisors for acceptance.</p> <p>In Q3 the county will pay vendors and mutual aid partners from the Jones & River Fires.</p> <p>In Q3 the OES team will submit the initial paperwork required for the state reimbursement of costs associated with the 2022 December winter storm.</p>
<p> Public Safety Power Shutoff Preparation Office of Emergency Services 2022</p>	<p>In Q2 OES staff participated in a virtual PG&E exercise as well as a Liberty Utilities Tabletop exercise with a focus on the event build up and information dissemination.</p> <p>In Q2 OES handled multiple public questions around PG&E's local outages, fast trip sensors and hazardous vegetation abatement program. OES staff advocated for more local messaging around these topics.</p>	<p>In Q3 OES will continue to work with PG&E, Truckee Donner Public Utility District (TDPUD) and Liberty Utilities to plan for an mitigate the impacts of PSPS & PSOM in the summer/fall of 2022.</p> <p>In Q3 OES also plans to work with PG&E on increased messaging around their "Fast Trip" sensors being used in Nevada County as well the PG&E vegetation removal program.</p>
<p> Reduce Hazardous Vegetation on County-Maintained Roads and County Owned Property Information and General Services</p>	<p>In Q2 there was still residual hazardous fuel along county and private roads stemming from the December 27th, 2021 Winter Storm.</p> <p>In Q2 County Public Works completed 21 miles of brushing and 212 miles of spraying with 16 miles of mowing.</p>	<p>In Q3 County of Nevada Roads Department will continue to seek funding and use existing funding to reduce roadside vegetation to continue making evacuation routes safer during this year's fire season.</p>



Initiative Details

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<p>OBJECTIVES</p> <p>↑ Economic Development</p>		
<p>↑ Support Tourism</p>	<p>The County continues to fund the GoNevadaCounty.com website to support and promote sustainable tourism. Following Board approval in January 2022, the County contracted with Local Freshies to administer a revitalized "Go Nevada County Marketing Campaign". The new Go Nevada County site launched with highlights including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new logo showcasing the unique geography, culture, and community that exists in Nevada County • A new website featuring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fresh, modern look focusing on regularly published curated content featuring insights from knowledgeable locals • Easy search functionality. • Designed to showcase the best of things to do and places to go in Nevada County • Promote our local businesses, and guide visitors on sustainable, responsible travel. 	<p>In quarter three, priority next steps include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building social media presence and building content with new Go Nevada County website • Develop framework for recreational guide





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<p data-bbox="94 197 131 233">↑</p> <p data-bbox="152 163 305 277">Cultivate economic diversification, sustainability and equity</p>	<p data-bbox="358 174 938 201">Progress has been made on key milestones, which include:</p> <ul data-bbox="358 212 992 1430" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="358 212 992 506">• Progress has been made on key milestones, which include: <li data-bbox="358 239 992 1041">• Coordinate and seek funding from the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF). Sierra Business Council (SBC) represents Nevada County in our regional cohort, and has been attending planning meetings on behalf of the County with the Regional Convener, Valley Vision. SBC is currently identifying key stakeholders for the process and collective participation agreements. The CERF program RFP is due on July 25th and SBC will ensure that Nevada County is fairly represented. <li data-bbox="358 512 992 743">• SBC launched the economic development survey with 202 responses to date; these responses will inform priority projects in anticipation of the CERF release. Initial responses indicate that the top five most pressing concerns related to economic development include (in order of response rate) Affordable/accessible housing, broadband access, wildfire danger, inflationary impacts on small businesses, and employee retention. <li data-bbox="358 749 992 863">• Monitor and apply for climate adaptation and mitigation funds: Staff are developing Climate Collaboratives Proposal, which will provide technical assistance and, if awarded, funding. <li data-bbox="358 869 992 1041">• Maintain SBC Contract: Contract was renewed with SBC for economic development program management services that included Business Technical Assistance; Warm Handoff Coordination; Inclusive Business Collaboration; and Rural Broadband Expansion, and regional coordination with CERF and CEDS. <li data-bbox="358 1050 992 1251">• Staff have moved forward investigating implementation of community choice aggregation for Nevada County with Pioneer Community Energy. An Impact Assessment has been started by our third-party consultant. This will help both Pioneer and Nevada County understand the impact of Pioneer being offered to residents and businesses in unincorporated Nevada County. <li data-bbox="358 1257 992 1341">• Nevada County continues to support cultivation of the Western Nevada County Community Foundation. The foundation is developing a board. <li data-bbox="358 1348 992 1430">• Staff are supporting the Nevada County Energy Action Plan Community Workgroup to finalize a mission and vision statement, and organizational structure. 	<p data-bbox="1029 163 1458 191">In quarter three, priority next steps include:</p> <ul data-bbox="1029 201 1523 527" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1029 201 1523 285">• Aggregate priority projects and partners and sign on as a partner with Valley Vision for CERF funding. <li data-bbox="1029 291 1523 348">• Monitor and apply for climate adaptation and mitigation funds. <li data-bbox="1029 354 1523 527">• Meet with Pioneer Energy to review, and possible presentation by Pioneer to Nevada County BOS to share results of Impact Assessment and receive authorization for County CEO to proceed with Ordinance to join Pioneer (if desired)
<p data-bbox="94 1514 131 1549">↑</p> <p data-bbox="152 1461 326 1598">Establish infrastructure, further projects and plans to support economic vitality</p>	<p data-bbox="358 1461 902 1518">In the past quarter, staff accomplished progress on key milestones, including:</p> <p data-bbox="358 1535 480 1562">Permitting:</p> <ul data-bbox="358 1577 992 1808" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="358 1577 992 1661">• Completed the initial drafts of the affordable housing master plan project, finalized drafts are to be completed in the coming months. <li data-bbox="358 1667 992 1808">• Reinstated programs that increase access to CDA customers through the Building Outpost at the Nevada County Contractor's Association and the over-the-counter plan review program. The Outstanding Public Service (OPS) Team in collaboration with the CDA Leadership Team 	<p data-bbox="1029 1461 1498 1518">With respect to Permitting Process milestone, quarter two next steps include:</p> <ul data-bbox="1029 1535 1531 1829" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1029 1535 1531 1619">• Finalize drafts of affordable housing master plans and review these drafts in coordination with collaborating jurisdictions. <li data-bbox="1029 1625 1531 1766">• Review additional unpermitted and undocumented improvement (as-built) policies associated to plan review and inspection procedures, this is the finalized work of the As-Built Policy Group. <li data-bbox="1029 1772 1531 1829">• Begin the education and outreach process with the community associated with the 2022 CA










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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The As-Built Policy Group Implemented the unpermitted improvements (as-built) policy to improve permitting accessibility and efficiency. • The Outstanding Public Service (OPS) Team in collaboration with the CDA Leadership Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implemented initial updates to the lobby area to improve the customer service experience and is working on additional updates to the look, feel, and functionality of customer transitions. OPS Team lifted. • Finalized draft process workflows for multiple land use processes for customer and employee use to streamline these processes. OPS Team lifted. <p>Higgins Area Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted 5 Check-In meetings with PlaceWorks regarding Community Workshop #3 coordination and Administrative Draft development. • Met with the South County Municipal Advisory Council (SCMAC) to prepare for the 3rd Community Workshop including coordinating outreach efforts and identifying concept proposals for presentation. • Hosted a third public workshop in April to present draft concept proposals incorporating community input received from previous workshops. Input from this workshop will be used to define specific plan goals and policies to achieve the community vision. • Attended 2 MAC meetings to better understand and prioritize concept proposals and issue areas throughout the plan area. • Received and began an intergovernmental review of the Administrative Draft of the Area Plan. <p>North San Juan Fire Suppression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Started work on the USDA funding application. • Determined property boundaries and ownership of the prospective tank site. • The fee study is nearly complete pending final determination of the tank site. • Tasked the county's state and federal lobbyists with helping identify a source of funding to fill funding gap. • Submitted a formal request to Nevada County's state legislators for state-level earmark funding for this project. • Identified a water source for the preliminary tank fill. <p>Soda Springs Visitor Management: Continued meeting with constituents and participated in meetings with the Donner Summit Association to begin work and share ideas to address this priority. Funded temporary waste management solutions, and staff are working with community partners on identifying permanent restroom locations, as well as promoting Donner Summit area on new Go Nevada County website.</p> <p>Penn Valley Community Center: While there has been active engagement in the park, and past efforts at funding next step, there is no progress this quarter.</p>	<p>Building Standards Codes that will be adopted and implemented in January 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The OPS Team will <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the land use workflows that the OPS Team has created. • Implement additional lobby modifications to improve the customer experience. <p>With respect to projects milestones, quarter two next steps include: Higgins Area Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate intergovernmental review of the Administrative Draft of the Area Plan and provide comments to PlaceWorks to prepare Public Draft. • Meet with the SCMAC to share the Public Draft of the Area Plan and receive input, as well as coordinate efforts for Community Workshop #4. • Collaborate with MAC leadership to recreate a call to action for SCMAC members to continue to conduct outreach activities through social media and direct outreach to neighbors to attend the 4th public workshop (tentatively scheduled for late August). • Host a fourth public workshop to present the Public Draft of the Area Plan and hear from community members about the goals and policies presented, policy prioritization, and potential implementation actions. The workshop will focus on specific policy alternatives to guide future development and determine activities to support plan implementation. • Coordinate public comment and Public Draft edits with PlaceWorks staff. Begin Environmental Review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). <p>With respect to projects milestones, quarter two next steps include:</p> <p>North San Juan Fire Suppression:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete engineering study and fee study. • Finish the USDA funding application. • Complete the geotechnical study of the prospective tank site." • Complete design survey of the tank site and pipeline layout. • Complete environmental study on project site. • Begin pre-work needed to secure easements. <p>Soda Springs Visitor Management: Next steps for Soda Springs are to meet with the Donner Summit Association and review the proposed framework, and continue overseeing interim visitor management solutions.</p> <p>Penn Valley Community Center: Next steps include engaging with project champions and working to secure funding for a business plan. This may be a project identified through the CERF.</p>







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 <p data-bbox="151 163 293 275">Seek Funding and Advocate for Economic Development Priorities</p>	<p data-bbox="358 163 899 216">In the past quarter, staff accomplished progress on key milestones, including:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 233 992 974" style="list-style-type: none"> • Microbusiness Grants: Distributed \$107,500 in funding secured from the California Office of the Small Business Advocate to 43 Nevada County Microbusiness owners in the amount of \$2500. • Community Resiliency Grants - Nevada County : Continued to administer awards nonprofits, small businesses, and special districts through ARPA-funded Community Resiliency Grants. • Community Resiliency Grants: Released second round of funding and awarded \$140,000 to three entities specifically focused on capacity building for Nevada County small businesses; continued to administer the nearly \$2 million in previous grant funding of the Community Resiliency grants. • SBC met with CalOSBA and GoBiz on behalf of the county regarding CERF funding allocations, process and project eligibility. • Secured \$200,000 from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to fund Nevada County's Recreation and Resilience Master Plan. • Awarded over \$400,000 in Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund Grants, funded by Nevada County's American Rescue Plan Act Allocation, to address impacts of visitation, with over \$360,000 focused on long-term infrastructure projects. • Received notice that member designated funding requests to for economic development priorities of Independence Trail reconstruction, and Higgins area sidewalk and pedestrian improvements are moving forward in the funding process. 	<p data-bbox="1027 163 1344 184">Next quarter next steps include:</p> <ul data-bbox="1040 218 1516 300" style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to monitor CERF fund, define priority project • Identify advocacy opportunities.
 <p data-bbox="151 1102 293 1213">Support business attraction, retention and growth</p>	<p data-bbox="358 1102 980 1155">Progress has been made on the four primary milestones under this initiative, with highlights below:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 1188 992 1776" style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Sustained business technical assistance through SBC contract.</u> <i>During the first quarter SBC provided free one-on-one technical assistance to 116 unique businesses wit 326 hours of advisory services. SBC hosted 18 individual workshops, serving 136 participants and launched another Business Igniter workshop series with Sierra Commons.</i> • <u>Identified capital opportunities</u> for Nevada County businesses, including successfully distributing \$107,500 to 43 very small businesses and entrepreneurs through the California Microbusiness Covid-19 Relief Grant. Awarded an additional \$140,000 in Community Resiliency Grant Funds to entities providing support to small businesses. We continue to share grant opportunities on a regular basis with small businesses, including nonprofits. • Drafted framework for potential funding and operational options to establish the <u>ARPA funded revolving loan</u> fund for Nevada County small businesses. • Sustained the <u>Nevada County Relief fund</u> (current balance maintained in this quarter), to be leveraged for future needs. 	<p data-bbox="1027 1115 1328 1136">Next quarter priorities include:</p> <ul data-bbox="1040 1152 1533 1533" style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustaining business technical assistance through SBC contract. • Continue to administer Community Resiliency Grant Funds, including new business-focused grants; continue to share grant opportunities to local nonprofits and other small businesses. • Economic Development workgroup to review framework and identify plan for and timeline to implement ARPA funded revolving loan fund for Nevada County small businesses. • Sustaining the Nevada County Relief Fund with current balance unchanged in Quarter one, to be leveraged for future needs.






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OBJECTIVES		
 Broadband		
 Complete the Programmatic EIR and expand the permitting "tool kit" to facilitate broadband.	<p>In the past quarter, staff conducted numerous meetings with EIR consultant (Ascent Environmental) to develop and refine the project scope and project description and review technical studies for EIR; released the Notice of Preparation (NOP) for the EIR; and met with the United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) to discuss potential impacts to tribal resources and develop mitigation measures to protect potential resources.</p>	<p>In the next quarter, staff will receive and review the Administrative Draft EIR (ADEIR) from Ascent Environmental and circulate the ADEIR to the Broadband Work Group and County Departments for review and comment. Finalize Draft EIR and release the DEIR for the 45-day public comment period.</p>
 Manage the "Last-Mile" Broadband Grant program with Sierra Business Council.	<p>Nevada County Fiber completed the 2019/2020 fiber to the home (FTTH) project with 16 connections. NCF signed up as a provider under the Affordable Connectivity Program and has one customer who is eligible and taking advantage of the \$30 discounted monthly service. Northern Sierra Broadband is moving toward completion of the H-Frame, and Oasis Broadband is having some delays moving through the permitting process due to the necessity of increased tower height.</p>	<p>Staff plans to initiate a third round of the "Last-Mile" grants program and support in-progress ISP projects in the fall.</p>
 Update the County's "Broadband Strategy"	<p>SBC delivered the Broadband Strategy outline. Outline includes incorporating results from broadband survey, new funding opportunities and priority areas.</p>	<p>The plan for fall 2022 is expected to be informed by the completion of the Programmatic EIR, pending funding at the State and Federal levels, and new information regarding the Golden State Connect Authority's pilot program. SBC has hired a consultant to help draft the plan.</p>
 Fund and implement the Dig-Once policy	<p>In the past quarter, staff dedicated \$100,000 in "dig-once" telecommunication funding as part of the American Rescue Plans Act (ARPA) .</p>	<p>In the next quarter, staff will issue an application/hand-out for implementation of the Community Development Agency (CDA) Telecommunication Funding Requests Procedure.</p>
 Engage and inform the community about County efforts to expand Broadband	<p>Promoted the "Need for Speed" broadband survey and collected over 4,300 responses. This data is being used to compile a list of under-served neighborhoods.</p> <p>In response to residents' concerns about DSL service being cancelled or decommissioned, staff sent out a "DSL Decommissioning Fact Sheet." The sheet provided background information, alternative resources to DSL, and updates on County broadband initiatives.</p> <p>County leadership engaged in a one-hour broadband conversation on KNCO defining broadband challenges and opportunities.</p>	<p>Staff will continue to inform residents about issues and efforts related to expanding broadband.</p>
 Seek grant funding and advocate at state and federal level for broadband.	<p>Staff continued to monitor grant opportunities.</p>	<p>Board and CEO staff will continue to advocate for rural broadband in coordination with our state and federal lobbyists and partners at RCRC and CSAC.</p> <p>Staff plans to apply for the CPUC grant for Local Agency Technical Assistance.</p>



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OBJECTIVES		
 Cannabis		
 Collect Quarterly Cannabis Business Taxes Cannabis Division	<p>In the past quarter staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collected revenue. For Fiscal Year 21-22, staff have collected \$65,025.23 for Quarter 1, \$57,390.83 for Quarter 2, \$31,312.34 for Quarter 3, and we are beginning to collect for Quarter 4. The total for the year is currently \$153,728.40. There continues to be a decrease in revenue due to market conditions. • Registered a total of 146 businesses in the 21-22 fiscal year. • Sent out a total of 61 Welcome Packets in the 21-22 fiscal year. • CDA continues to check the tax status of each business to ensure compliance before renewing permits. Many businesses have been routed to us before being issued permit renewals, which has helped us maintain and improve compliance. • Sent the signed MOU to the Department of Cannabis Control (DCC) on May 2, which will grant us access to California Track and Trace System (CCTT) Data which will help us to enforce compliance moving forward. • Attended a tour of local cannabis businesses with individuals from the Ag department, CDA, and the Cannabis Alliance on May 12th. The tour included a cultivation site, a manufacturer, and a distributor. • Created a new Cannabis Handbook which we are finalizing and will use to distribute to Cannabis Businesses to help them navigate the requirements of the Cannabis Tax program. The handbook incorporates the Reporting and Remittance Guidelines, FAQs, and general information in one place to make it easier for business operators to find information. 	<p>In the next quarter, staff will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to track license and permit information from the state and county to keep a current list of businesses and identify new businesses as they arise. • Attend the upcoming quarterly regional cannabis meetings and continue conversations and sharing information with other counties regarding the Cannabis landscape. • Continue to work with CDA and county council on ordinance changes, which we anticipate taking the board in the fall. • Continue to collaborate with the Cannabis Alliance to forge and maintain relationships with the local Cannabis industry.
 Maintain Collaborative Illegal Cannabis Cultivation Enforcement Program Cannabis Division	<p>In the prior quarter, staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented cannabis ordinance modifications to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisor, received approval from both. • Collaborated with local and state enforcement agencies to proactively address multiple illicit cannabis cultivation, focusing on egregious and high impact areas. • Leveraged Unmanned Aircraft Surveillance (UAS) tool to improve inspection outcomes, staff safety, and successful abatement. 	<p>In the next quarter, staff will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with NCSO to strategize effective Cannabis enforcement team. • Continue to prioritize staff training through the Federal Aviation Administration for the UAS with the goal of all staff obtaining certification. • Collaborate with local, state enforcement agencies to proactively address illicit cannabis cultivation, focusing on egregious and high impact areas. • Collaborate with local Fire Agencies to systematically address fires related to illicit cannabis.
 Research New Cannabis License Types Cannabis Division	<p>In the prior quarter, staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborated to create redline ordinance changes including cannabis license type changes. • Communicated with Environmental Impact Report (EIR) consultant regarding proposed changes. 	<p>In the next quarter, staff will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with EIR consultant to review findings regarding proposed changes. • Conduct outreach with cannabis stakeholders regarding proposed changes.



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<p>  Maintain a Cannabis Permitting Program Cannabis Division </p>	<p>In the prior quarter, staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established monthly meetings with California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GoBiz) to discuss future application opportunities for rural counties. Held numerous rural equity collaboration between jurisdictions regarding cannabis programs. Continued to meet with neighborhood groups to receive feedback regarding cannabis neighborhood impact. Implemented a digital application submittal process including intake and distribution of cannabis projects. 	<p>In the next quarter, staff will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to communicate with GoBiz to prepare for the 2022 fall application period. Strategize on the utilization of the Department of Cannabis Control Grant.
<p>OBJECTIVES</p> <p>  Housing </p>		
<p>  Implement a centralized Landlord Liaison Program (LLP) Homeless Plan 2022 </p>	<p>Q2 updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing and Community Services (HCS) continues to work with a local provider to administer the Landlord Liaison and Recruitment Program (LLP). The program is currently being promoted to the public through press releases, collaboration with local businesses, and through Community Solutions and the Built for Zero initiative. The program will be supported by over \$700,000 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) provided by the Continuum of Care (CoC) and County allocated Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) round 1 and 2, and 3 funds. The Housing Choice Voucher waitlist reopened with a boost in funding from the American Recovery Plan. The funding provides additional vouchers for homeless people living with disabilities, transitional age youth, and the general population of homeless households. Housing and Community services continues to identify and apply for housing subsidies and flexible funding for rental assistance and landlord recruitment and retention efforts. 	<p>Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to promote the program to the community through collaboration with businesses.





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<p>↑ Facilitate and promote partnerships for the development of affordable and supportive housing Homeless Plan 2022</p>	<p>Q2 updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jail Diversion Housing: Purchased property through the Community Services Infrastructure Grant (CSIG) for jail diversion housing. Renovations are complete and program is operational. The program provides housing as of January of 2022. • Brunswick Commons construction will be completed in July and expected to be leased up shortly after. • Construction on Cashin's Field is well underway and is expected to be completed in spring of 2023. • HCS is working with the Regional Housing Authority and AMI staff to convert the Empire Mine Courtyards acquired through Homekey funds into permanent affordable housing with an estimated leasing date in August. • HCS applied for and was awarded No Place Like Home Round 2 for an amount of \$1,412,000, which is being used to convert an existing three-bedroom, two bath County owned property into six individual units of permanent supportive housing. Architectural design is in progress. • Standard agreements for the current round of PLHA funding have been received. • Health and Human Services meets monthly with Community Development Agency to collaborate on local housing projects and housing policy. 	<p>Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit an application for the next round of Permanent Supportive Housing Allocation for use as a Local Housing Trust Fund match. • Explore uses for the Community Care Expansion (CCE) Grant through the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).
<p>↑ Housing Master Plans Project</p>	<p>In the past quarter, Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued to develop and collaborate with the contractor and regional jurisdictions to develop specific plan sets. 	<p>In the past quarter, Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop and collaborate with the contractor and regional jurisdictions to develop specific plan sets.
<p>OBJECTIVES</p>		
<p>↑ Homelessness</p>		
<p>↑ Increase availability of rental and mortgage assistance funding to prevent individuals and families from slipping into homelessness and implement a CoC-wide diversion strategy Homeless Plan 2022</p>	<p>Q2 updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing and Community Services (HCS) continues to apply for funding to support both rental assistance and mortgage assistance, work with the state to leverage incoming coronavirus relief funds to provide emergency rental assistance to those impacted by the pandemic, and work with partners to administer funds. All rental assistance is distributed through the state portal, Housing is Key. • HCS continues to work with the CoC to educate about the state initiative, Housing is Key, and local partners in Eastern and Western County are working with distressed renters and landlords to get individuals into the program. • Eligibility staff are attending homeless meetings to coordinate services and leverage other funding sources. HCS staff expanded the Housing Resource Team to meet separately weekly to review case plans and housing coordination for families and transitional age youth, veterans, and chronically homeless. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement a County and Continuum of Care wide diversion training to ensure front line staff at all access points for families are equipped with skills and tools to divert families from entering homelessness.



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<p data-bbox="94 304 126 336">↑</p> <p data-bbox="151 163 321 478"> Expand services and housing opportunities to transition aged youth and children to prevent entry into the adult homeless system and long-term homelessness Homeless Plan 2022 </p>	<p data-bbox="358 174 480 199">Q2 updates:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 212 995 621" style="list-style-type: none"> • A specific Point in Time (PIT) count was completed for 2022 through a consortium of providers, including Bright Futures for Youth. The Youth Committee will utilize data from the count along with analysis from a wide range of regional sources to compile a Youth and Families homelessness report with specific recommendations to address key gaps in the youth and families system. • Added the Qualified Individual function whose job it is to assess the real need for Short Term Residential Treatment Provider (STRTP) placements to ensure such placement is in the best interest of the child's mental health. • Behavioral Health is partnering with Bright Futures for Youth to provide homelessness case management for young adults; contract is in place. 	<p data-bbox="1027 174 1284 199">Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul data-bbox="1039 212 1485 296" style="list-style-type: none"> • Compile data on gaps to provide recommendations for additional funding to address youth homelessness.
<p data-bbox="94 741 126 772">↑</p> <p data-bbox="151 657 321 867"> Strengthen housing focused case management and post housing supportive services Homeless Plan 2022 </p>	<p data-bbox="358 667 480 693">Q2 updates:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 705 995 1062" style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavioral Health continues to utilize full-service partnership and case management services to support individuals with serious mental illness in maintaining stable housing. • A contract is in place for the CalWORKS Housing Support Program (HSP), which provides youth and family housing and shelter options. • Critical Time Intervention (CTI) continues to be discussed at each Housing Resource Team (HRT) meeting. • Behavioral Health staff are utilizing the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and actively pursuing housing for homeless clients in both Eastern and Western County. 	<p data-bbox="1027 667 1284 693">Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul data-bbox="1039 705 1528 1293" style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to explore CalAIM initiative around securing additional funding for recovery residences, which would incorporate a concerted focus on developing housing plans for individuals. • Identify opportunities for increased permanent supportive housing for individuals with serious mental illness through Mental Health Services funding, including permanent supportive housing models with onsite staffing. • Investigate opportunity for increased supportive housing through Behavioral Health infrastructure funding, including permanent supportive housing models with onsite staffing. • Providing up to 2 years of supportive services to every homeless individual in the system is a key gap in our system. Centralizing and standardizing post housing case management across the homeless response system is key in addressing this issue.





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 <p data-bbox="151 163 321 254">Expand year-round shelter capacity Homeless Plan 2022</p>	<p data-bbox="358 174 480 201">Q2 updates:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 216 997 779" style="list-style-type: none"> • Implemented contract with Hospitality House to provide non-congregate sheltering to reduce unsheltered homelessness among veterans, families, and chronically homeless individuals at Sierra Guest House. • Currently, Housing and Community Services (HCS) staff provides between 30-35 hotels rooms on an ongoing basis to over 45 homeless households. The households can utilize the hotel space to better connect to services. All hotel stayers are coordinated at the Housing Resource Team (HRT) meeting. • Continued to provide family housing and shelter options through the CalWORKS Housing Support Program (HSP). • Continued to contract with Community Beyond Violence for domestic violence shelter services. • Recent completion of affordable housing projects in the Truckee region has resulted in an increase in housing placements for homeless households. • Contract renewals are either complete or underway for emergency shelters and low barrier shelters for the 22/23 fiscal year. 	<p data-bbox="1029 163 1284 191">Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul data-bbox="1040 205 1528 558" style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to work with family orientated service providers to expand family shelter options. • Continue to support seasonal shelter operations to respond to increased shelter needs during extreme seasonal weather conditions including during PSPS events where risk of wildfire is severe. • Work with shelter providers to develop a process to move shelter stayers in the final stages of their housing case plan into non-congregant options to reduce long term shelter stays and build emergency bed capacity.
 <p data-bbox="151 825 321 978">Expand and strengthen non-congregant, navigation-based, interim housing options Homeless Plan 2022</p>	<p data-bbox="358 831 480 858">Q2 updates:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 873 997 1308" style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovations continue on the Empire Mine Courtyard project with Homekey dollars. Utilizing 30 recently allocated emergency housing vouchers, this project will convert to 21 units of affordable permanent housing in August 2022 for households experiencing homelessness. • All providers are currently using the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to track all hotel/motel stayers. • A contract is in place for non-congregant services connected to the Housing Resource Team. The contract will provide up to 20 beds with basic services such as on site meals, laundry, and necessary transportation. • Utilized trailers for COVID isolation and quarantine; trailers will be converted to permanent housing at designated mobile home parks as COVID hospitalization numbers and the need for quarantine and isolation allow. 	<p data-bbox="1029 831 1284 858">Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul data-bbox="1040 873 1520 951" style="list-style-type: none"> • Work closely with shelter providers to ensure non-congregate operations work hand in hand with congregate shelter operations.



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<p>Support system wide improvement to data collection measures, collaboration on funding opportunities, and implementation of the County-CoC joint strategic plan Homeless Plan 2022</p> <p>↑</p>	<p>Q2 updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued to work closely with state and federal partners to utilize Built for Zero data to target ending homelessness among veterans by Veteran's Day, 2021. The effort served 37 veterans; 14 veterans secured permanent housing, 3 were assisted in relocation, and 4 were provided assistance to secure housing. There are 16 homeless veterans remaining in Nevada County, 11 of whom have active housing plans. A new goal was set to reach functional zero by the end of 2022. Collaborated with the local CoC to complete a Homeless Action Plan (pursuant to new state regulations governing allocations of funding to address homelessness). The plan was presented to both the CoC and the Board of Supervisors with opportunity for public comment and will be submitted to the state. The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is implemented across all providers, the By Name List has been refined and implemented, and Housing and Community Services (HCS) is currently working with Built for Zero to develop monthly reports to track metrics identified in the Homeless Plan that will be communicated through ClearPoint and monthly reports to the Continuum of Care (CoC). Continued ClearPoint as a tool for tracking progress on the Homeless Plan, with reports available through the Board of Supervisors webpage. 	<p>Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide access to Built for Zero reports through the Better Together website. Develop dashboard to track Homeless Action Plan and progress towards state metrics, including specific metrics to address disparities in access to services among racial demographic groups identified through HMIS, coordinated entry and county census data, and Built for Zero measures.
<p>Strengthen the coordinated multi-disciplinary case conferencing team (Homeless Resource Team) Homeless Plan 2022</p> <p>↑</p>	<p>Q2 updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The By Name List has been cleaned up and implemented as an accurate tool to address homelessness of specific individuals. The Housing Resource Team (HRT) continues the weekly case conferencing for 4 distinct subpopulations experiencing homelessness: families and youth, chronic homelessness, veterans, and Truckee/Tahoe residents. 	<p>Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand case conferencing to youth and families. Coordinate quarterly by name list clean up and review, ensuring accuracy of the real time data of households on the list. Begin tracking households at risk of experiencing homelessness through a parallel coordinated entry process.
<p>Continue to support and strengthen outreach, engagement, and case management Homeless Plan 2022</p> <p>↑</p>	<p>Q2 updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued to incorporate therapists and case managers into Probation, the Public Defender's Office, the jail, and in Hospitality House to expand embedded outreach and engagement. Conducted Justice and Mental Health Collaboration meetings to improve screening and referral processes. Awarded Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program funds through the Department of Health Care Services. Funding will be used to purchase property to develop a navigation center that includes connections to services. 	<p>Priorities for next quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support implementation of HRT meetings in Truckee and explore expansion of outreach and supportive services in the Truckee region to include a medical outreach component. Strengthen the outreach system in partnership and collaboration with expanded outreach capacity at Hospitality House and Sierra Roots. Explore automated ways to source and track referrals from jail to treatment partners based on universal screening tools.



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OBJECTIVES		
 Recreation		
 Develop Recreation and Resilience Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Released Request for Proposals for the Nevada County Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan, identifying 6 core tasks and key outcomes, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide substantive opportunities for the community to participate in the master planning process; • Articulate a shared vision for the functional, programmatic, and aesthetic characteristics of existing and future recreation amenities in unincorporated Nevada County; • Articulate Nevada County’s role in recreation as a facilitator of proposed improvements in those areas interfacing with County facilities. • Promote equity and inclusion, emphasizing cultural, historic, physical, and economic accessibility; • Describe the cultural, environmental, economic and ecological benefits of implementing the plan recommendations; and • Identify innovative and impactful strategies for grappling with climate change impacts such as increased wildfire risk, drought, extreme weather, etc.; • Identify effective strategies to promote sustainable recreation to protect and preserve natural resources; • Recommend prioritized short term and long term outdoor recreation projects, programs, and policies including critical infrastructure addressing public and environmental health concerns and identifying action steps and estimated costs. • Detail feasible solutions for financing, phasing, and maintaining community investments in recreation, open space, and trail resources, and support interagency alignment and coordination to plan, implement, and maintain recreation amenities. • Secured \$200,000 from Sierra Nevada Conservancy to fund the Master Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select contractor to develop Master Plan (RFP closes July 14, 2022); contract and begin work in this quarter.



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<p data-bbox="94 218 126 260">↑</p> <p data-bbox="151 159 326 321">Promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and other high-use or high-risk areas.</p>	<p data-bbox="358 174 971 228">Recreation Health, Safety and Communications improvements achieved this quarter included:</p> <ul data-bbox="370 247 992 1287" style="list-style-type: none"> • Nevada County Board of Supervisors awarded six Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund Grants, funded by the County's American Rescue Plan Act allocation, to address unmet need at outdoor recreation sites to promote community health and safety, economic development, and resilience he ARPA priority of "2.22: Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety". Funded projects include parking at Adam Ryan Preserve; signage at mountain bike trails near Harmony Ridge; parking near Scotts Flat lake; vault toilets at Golden Quartz Picnic area near town of Washington; South Yuba River Wild and Scenic trail marker and safety signage; and vault toilet installation at two sites in Eastern Nevada County. • Nevada County Board of Supervisors awarded three Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund Grants, funded by the County's American Rescue Plan Act allocation, to address emergent health and safety needs for the 2022 summer recreation season. These included Bear Yuba Land Trust at Western Nevada County trailheads, Truckee Trails at Eastern Nevada County trails and supporting temporary restrooms, and South Yuba River Citizens League river ambassadors at multiple river sites in Yuba River State Parks, and piloting at Dog Bar Bridge area. • Parking citation increases and new locations for restricted parking at recreation sites were passed at June 28 board meeting and will go into effect on July 28, 2022. • The 2022 Cohort bandanna was printed and contributions from Cohort members were collected. Used the Cohort's unified messaging campaign to disseminate messaging about river closures due to Rices Fire. • USFS passed dispersed camping ban along HWY 20. • Purchased electronic message sign board to provide safety or emergency alerts at highly visited recreation destinations. • The Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved in April 2022, the ordinance extending the prohibition on open fire during fire season. 	<p data-bbox="1027 174 1463 228">Next steps for Recreation Health, Safety and Communications are to:</p> <ul data-bbox="1039 247 1528 541" style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor implementation of grants. • Identify three priority locations for second round of emergency call box installation. • Develop public safety video priorities. • Help promote the annual Yuba River Cleanup. Help amplify timely messaging related to river visitation and safety. Continue distributing free Yuba River bandannas with safety messaging to river visitors. Continue advocating for permanent toilets at Purdon Crossing.



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<p>↑ Enhance recreation access, health and safety, economic development, and resource conservation.</p>	<p>Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund Grant Program: In April 2021, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors allocated 30% of its federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allotment, \$5.8 Million, to promote Community & Economic Resiliency. In February 2022, the Board ratified budget and direction developed at the 2022 Board Workshop, allocating \$450,000 to the Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund, with an additional \$400,000 in Transient Occupancy Tax dollars to provide up to \$850,000 in one-time grants to respond to the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic by funding projects to promote public health and public safety at highly impacted outdoor recreation destinations.</p> <p>Staff released the Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund Request for Proposals (RFP) on March 10, 2022, ultimately bringing six grants to the Board of Supervisor for approval on June 28, 2022. Funded projects:</p> <p>Bear Yuba Land Trust: Adam Ryan Preserve Parking Area</p> <p>Bicyclists of Nevada County: Harmony Ridge Trail System</p> <p>Nevada Irrigation District: Scotts Flat Parking</p> <p>South Yuba River Citizens League: Golden Quartz Picnic Area Vault Toilets</p> <p>South Yuba River Citizens League: Wild & Scenic Trail Marker and Safety Signage Project</p> <p>Truckee Trails Foundation: Eastern Nevada County Visitor Safety & Environmental Hazard Prevention Program</p> <p>For the Pines to Mines trail, the 30-day public comment period was completed on February 25th by the Tahoe National Forest and the first quarterly report to the County by the Truckee Trails Foundation submitted March 31st. The Pines to Mines Environmental Assessment is currently on schedule to be completed in the spring of 2023.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support implementation Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund Request for Proposal • For Pines to Mines, next steps include completion of a signed decision by the Tahoe National Forest Supervisor pertaining to the Environmental Assessment in the Spring/Summer of 2023. This will be followed by a focus on acquiring donation and grant funding to build the new 18-mile trail connection in the Sierra Nevada mountains.
<p>↑ Support capacity and sustainability of Western Nevada County organized recreation.</p>	<p>Contracted recreation administrator continues to build capacity and support sustainability for Western County organized recreation by working with partner districts to make them viable and sustainable, including assistance with grants acquisition and administration, and compliance.</p> <p>The first all-district meeting was held in May, bringing together three park districts to discuss shared administrative needs and move toward developing a model for shared administrative support. The outcome of this meeting was a work group with all three parks represented, with a first meeting scheduled in July.</p>	<p>Quarter 3 Goals:</p> <p>Developing enhanced contract for recreation administration to build capacity and support sustainability for Western County organized recreation by working with partner districts to make them viable and sustainable, and develop workplan and budget for recreation guide.</p> <p>Further strategies, starting with July meeting of new park district workgroup, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore/draft MOU for Jointly Funded Administrative Support • Address the succession of non-governmental service providers • Increase awareness and access to existing programs



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<p>↑ Identify funding mechanisms and act on advocacy priorities to sustain recreation.</p>	<p>Funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully secured \$200,000 from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy for \$200,000 to fund creation of the Nevada County Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan. • Implemented the Outdoor Visitor Safety fund grant program with 9 grants funded and contracts in progress. • Continued to shepherd Congressionally directed funding requests totaling nearly \$3 million dollars to support two recreation related priorities: Independence Trail and bike and pedestrian access on Combie Road. Both have been elevated by our representatives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Supervisors adopted the 2022 Legislative Platform in April, including multiple Recreation advocacy and project priorities. • Work with our contracted State advocates to meet with State Parks regarding Nevada County's recreation priorities, including Purdon Crossing, Edwards Crossing, and State Parks in Eastern Nevada County. • Plan for Fall 2022 Recreation Summit at Martis Camp, with a focus on local, regional and State policy and funding.
<p>↑ Staff recreation collaborative(s) to promote countywide coordination.</p>	<p>Staff made progress on four key milestones under this objective:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Countywide collaborative: Nevada County staff held first countywide recreation collaborative meeting on April 22, 2022. It was attended by over 50 people. This group will be the first countywide, all-inclusive recreational collaborative to address shared priorities such as outreach and marketing for sustainable recreation, funding and advocacy, and planning. 2) Organized Recreation in Western Nevada County: Contract recreation administrator and staff held first meeting with all three park districts in May, with the outcome of a three-district working group to explore and find solutions for shared administrative needs. 3) Staff continued to convene the South Yuba River Public Safety Cohort, a multi-agency workgroup of federal, state, local, and community stakeholders. This group's mission is to address jurisdictional policy gaps and coordinate public safety and law enforcement efforts in the South Yuba River corridor to mitigate wildfire and other public safety hazards. 4) Staff Convene, Champion, Catalyze (CCC) in Eastern Nevada County, a roundtable for a coordinated approach to peak period visitation in the Truckee Area with the purpose to find short-term tactical action steps to enhance quality of life for locals and visitor experiences during peak period visitation and reduce overall environmental impacts. 	<p>Major next step will be a fall recreation summit convening local, regional, and state stakeholders. This forum of presentations, gathering, and dialogue will highlight the regional, state, and national policy frameworks affecting our quality of life, climate, and our communities. Our guests will be leaders in this space from around California.</p> <p>Other next steps include continuing to convene and support the four collaboratives: Countywide Recreation Collaborative (bi-annually); Organized Recreation in Western Nevada County; South Yuba River Safety Cohort; and Convene, Champion, Catalyze (CCC).</p>

