

# 2024 BOARD OBJECTIVES

## APRIL-JUNE



*2023/2024 Youth Commissioners before their final meeting for the year.*

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

## Message From the Chair

As we head into another fire season, I am proud of our team for all they have done to further our objective of **Emergency Preparedness**. We offered several free green waste disposal days over the last few months at both McCourtney Road Transfer Station in Grass Valley and Trout Creek Recreation Center in Truckee. We awarded 26 microgrants of \$3,600 each to local Firewise communities so they could clear vegetation from their neighborhoods. We handed out 200 free go-bags and first aid kits for pets and people at our first Go-Bag Party on June 8 at the Grass Valley Veterans Hall, and the updated Ready, Set, Go! Handbook was recently mailed out to all residents to help them create their own emergency plan. In late May, we held a joint county-cities-town meeting that focused on emergency preparedness and how we can continue to enhance emergency services countywide.

My colleague, Supervisor Heidi Hall is continuing her much-needed advocacy work to find solutions for our residents who have been dropped from their fire insurance policies. She is leading a work group on the issue for the California State Association of Counties. Her goal is to get recommendations for changes at the state level that will make the insurance industry work better for rural communities like ours.

In service of our **Climate Resilience** objective, we have received a \$10 million grant from the state with our three co-applicants to upgrade two of our Veterans Halls. The five-year grant will pay for much-needed repairs to the halls to continue serving residents in the face of increasing climate-related disasters and extreme heat and enhance services for vulnerable populations. Nevada County, Sierra Business Council and the California Heritage Indigenous Research Project were also recently awarded \$650,000 by the state to create a climate action plan and to develop and expand local climate group efforts.

As part of our effort to increase **Housing** in our County, we released our fourth and final pre-approved housing master plan. The goal of the plans is to offer property owners a more affordable and quick option for building a home. Plans can be used as a primary or secondary home, such as an accessory dwelling unit (ADU), also known as a granny flat, cottage, or in-law unit.

In a major milestone since **Recreation** became one of our Board's objectives two years ago, we recently adopted our first Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan. The plan positions the County and our local, state and federal partners to work together to advance projects we all want. It covers our plans for our parks and addresses links to economic opportunities from visitors who visit this region.

Under our **Core Services** objective, we have selected an architect to design a new 20,000-square-foot Truckee Library. The County continues to work with the Town of Truckee and Friends of the Truckee Library to move this important community-driven project forward. The goal is for construction to start in 2027.

Finally, we have approved a contract with an architectural firm to conduct a "highest and best use" study to develop recommendations for the future use of the Nevada City courthouse, which will be vacated after the state completes a new courthouse they are planning to build. As 49 percent owner of the old facility, we hope this study will give us information to find the best use for the courthouse building in the future.

Find quarterly updates on our progress at [www.NevadaCountyCA.gov/BoardObjectives](http://www.NevadaCountyCA.gov/BoardObjectives).



*Hardy Bullock*  
**HARDY BULLOCK**  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



## 2024 Board Objectives



### 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 and community partners 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.



### Climate Resilience

Safeguard Nevada County's economic durability, environmental integrity, and public health and safety by preparing for, adapting to, and mitigating changing climate conditions in a way that reflects our rural quality of life.



### Housing

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



### Homelessness

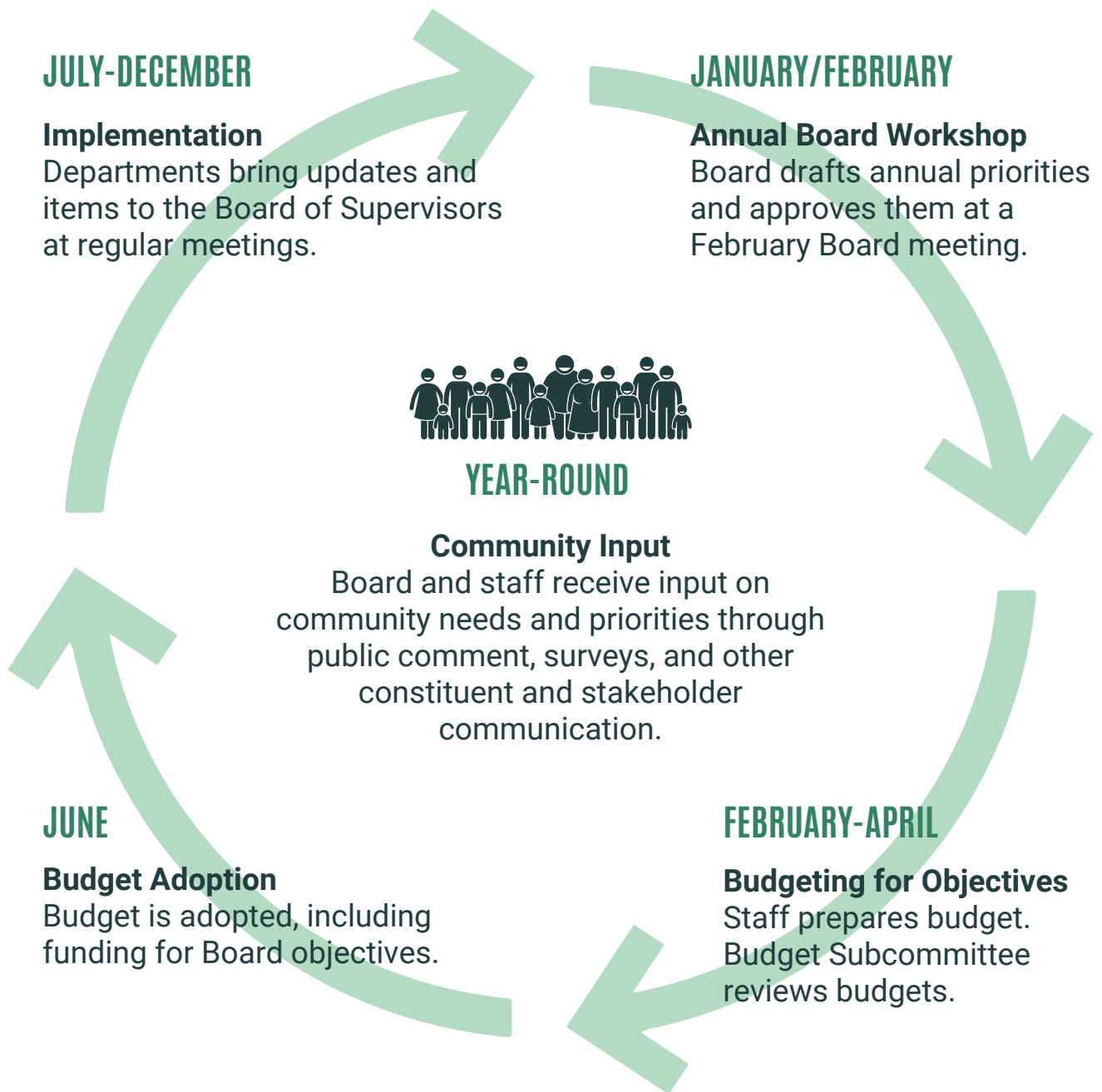
In partnership with the Continuum of Care, prevent homelessness, address the needs of people experiencing homelessness, and move towards sustainable, ongoing programs.



### 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 Objective Development Process



## Intent of Report






This report, covering April-June 2024, summarizes the initiatives and performance measures used to track progress toward the Board of Supervisors' 2024 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@NevadaCountyCA.gov](mailto:CEO@NevadaCountyCA.gov).

## STATUS KEY SYMBOL

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

	On Target
	Caution
	Below Plan
	Not Started
	Completed

Maintain the County's financial stability and core services.



### Progress Update

Q2-24

Despite cautionary indicators within the County's economically sensitive revenues, Fiscal Year 23/24 is estimated to end with approximately zero change to General Fund balance. Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:

- Property taxes are the largest source of discretionary revenues for the County, and continue to grow in FY 23-24, though at a lower rate than budgeted
- Transfer Taxes appear to be flattening. Results through May are approximately equal to the same timeframe in FY 22-23
- Recording fees are also anticipated to end the Fiscal Year just under FY 22-23, with revenues down approximately 3%
- Other key indicators of overall County economic activity are mixed compared to the adopted budget and previous year activity, with major operating funds estimated to end FY 23-24 in healthy positions
- Uncertainty continues around the State budget. However, County departments are closely monitoring and are generally well positioned to weather challenges that may result therefrom
- Overall, despite certain issues to monitor, the County is in a stable fiscal position for the time being with no immediate threats to the delivery of core services

Our position is bolstered by:

- Healthy fund balances
- Robust fiscal policies
- Long-range planning for known and anticipated significant projects

### Next Steps

Q2-24

Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:

- Continue to closely monitor transfer tax and recording fee revenues as potential leading indicators of future property tax revenue trends
- Engage various program professional associations and the California State Association of Counties to better understand potential impacts of State budget issues
- Begin to incorporate input from the September Senior Executives Workshop into plans for the Board's January 2025 Workshop, wherein direction will be received to help guide the FY 25-26 budget development process

## Initiatives



### Monitor economically sensitive revenues

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/23 - 12/31/23



### Ensure healthy fund balances in major operating funds

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/23 - 12/31/23



### Prepare and implement long-term financial plans

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/23 - 12/31/23

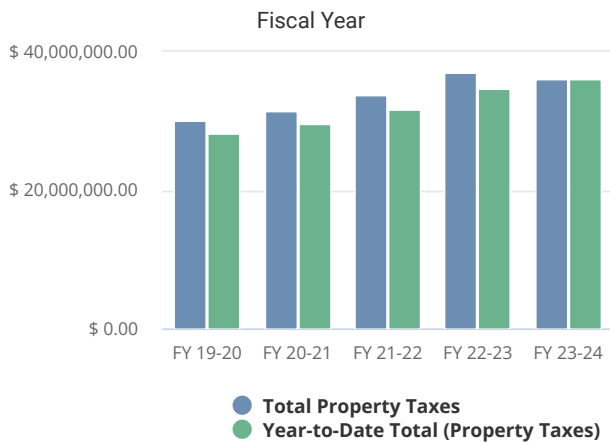


### Develop and manage County budget

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/23 - 12/31/23

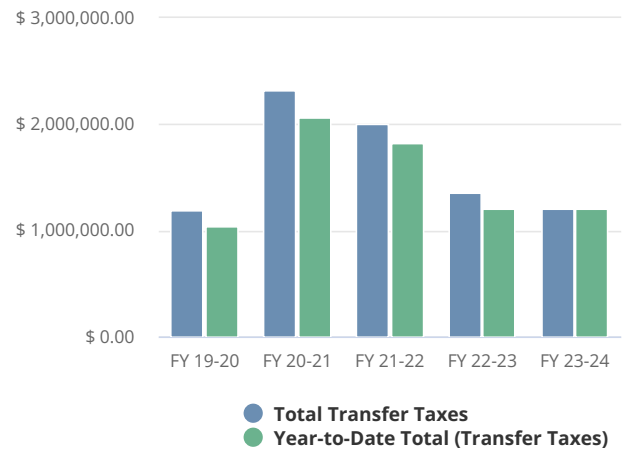
## Property Taxes

Property Taxes and Transfer Taxes



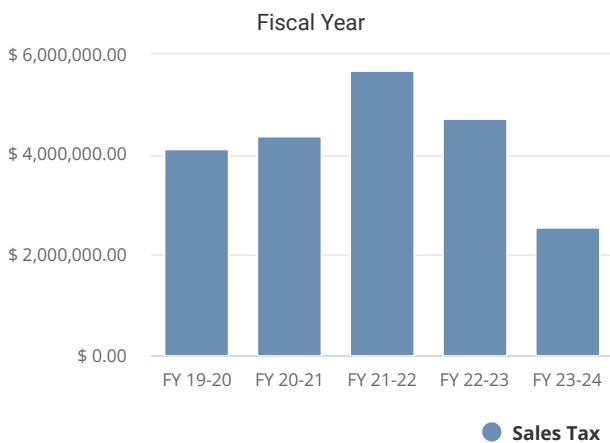
## Transfer Taxes

Property Taxes and Transfer Taxes



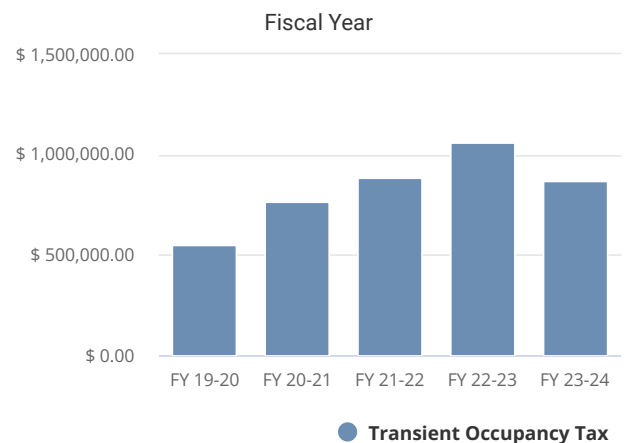
## Sales Tax

Other key general fund revenues



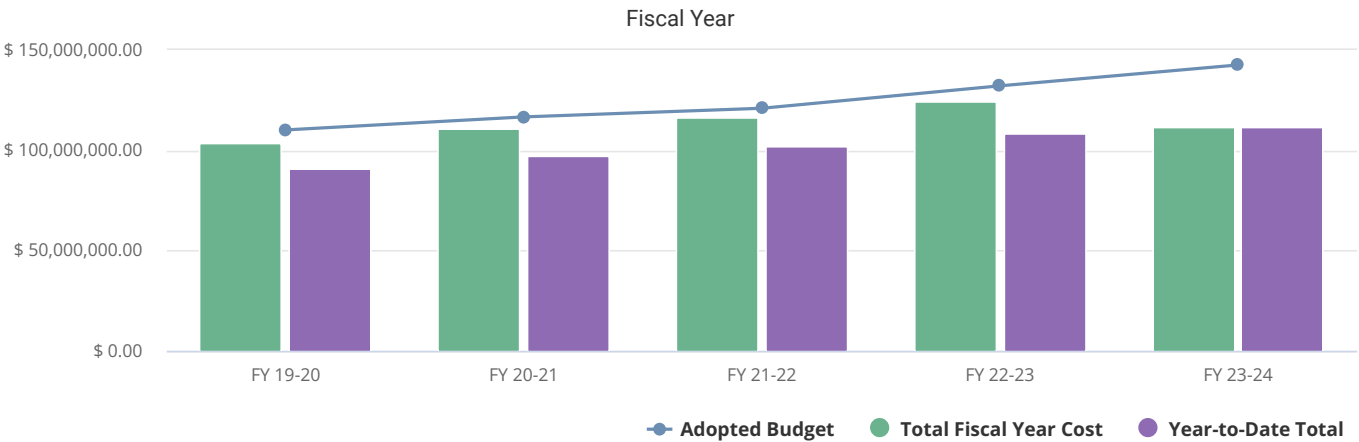
## Transient Occupancy Tax

Other key general fund revenues



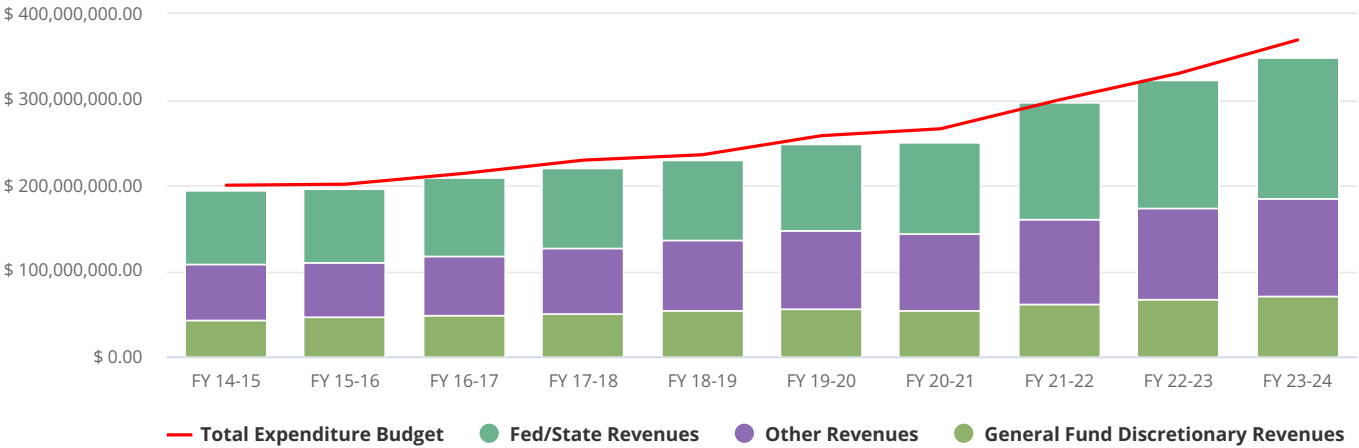
Salaries and Benefits Costs YTD vs. Actual vs. Adopted Budget

Salaries and Benefits Costs



Adopted Budget

Adopted Budget



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

Q2-24

Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:

- Planned and held the second *Quarterly Wildfire Stakeholder Meeting* in Truckee, which focused on *Collaborative Opportunities for Project Maintenance* and featured multi-jurisdictional conference-style presentations and a robust panel discussion by partners working at the individual, community, and landscape scales.
- Planned and produced the 2024 Community Preparedness film trailer, a 30-sec PSA that will run at local theaters in western Nevada County June-August.
- Produced the 2024 *Ready, Set, Go! Handbook* and mailed to all residents County-wide.
- Publicly released the Nevada County Evacuation Study.
- Designed and had printed outreach flyer in Spanish and English on home hardening, defensible space, and private road vegetation abatement.
- Executed 2024 Community Green Waste Events in west and east county (funded by ARPA), which included community drop-off events and a Firewise Community green waste bin deployment program.
- Leveraged the Community Appendix of the Evacuation Study to address additional priorities along private roads as part of the Winter Storm Hazardous Debris Reduction Project.
- Planned and executed the Community Go-Bag Party in partnership with United Way of Nevada County. This event was attended by over 800 community members.
- Finalized and began rolling out the 2024 *Outreach and Engagement Strategy*, including identifying the opportunity to bring on an OES Youth Intern to develop a county-wide Youth Engagement Strategy.
- Presented the "Roadmap to Resilience" and "Reverse Engineering the Problem" at the 2024 After the Flames Conference held by Coalitions and Collaborative, Inc. (COCO).

## Next Steps

Q2-24

Plans for Q3 (July-September 2024) include:

- Execute 2024 *Outreach and Engagement Strategy*.
- Onboard and deploy the OES Youth Intern.
- Distribute the 2024 *Ready, Set, Go! Handbook* to all county libraries, law and fire, and partner organizations for dissemination.
- Produce defensible space and home hardening short informational film.
- Plan and execute Q3 Quarterly Wildfire Stakeholder Meeting to be held in Truckee in September.
- Have an active presence at community events including but not limited to Thursday Night Markets, Summer Nights, and Fourth of July Parade.
- Push out wildfire preparedness messaging weekly via social media channels to remind the public of the importance of being ready.

## Initiatives



### Recovery

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24



### Reduce Hazardous Vegetation on County-Maintained Roads and County Owned Property

Information and General Services | 10/1/23 - 12/31/23



### Hazard Mitigation

Office of Emergency Services 2023 | 10/1/23 - 12/31/23

## Measures



### Improve Early Warning Systems and Emergency Communications to Reach Everyone

Office of Emergency Services 2023



### Roadside Vegetation Treatment

Office of Emergency Services 2023



### Emergency Response Activation

Office of Emergency Services 2023



### DSI Inspection Program

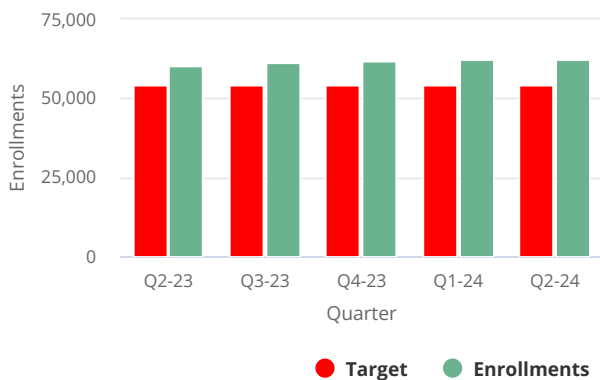
Office of Emergency Services 2023



### Total Code Red Emergency Alert

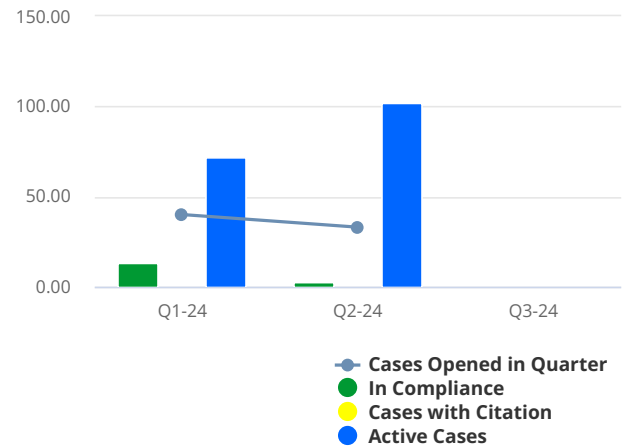
Improve Early Warning Systems and Emergency Communications to Reach Everyone

Total Code Red Emergency Alert Enrollments Per Quarter (Residential)



### DSI Inspection Program Case Status

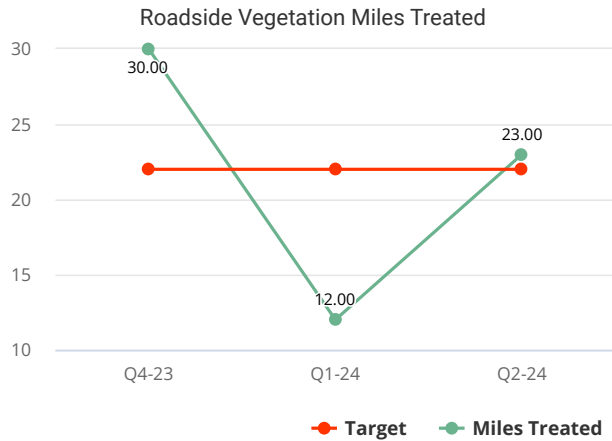
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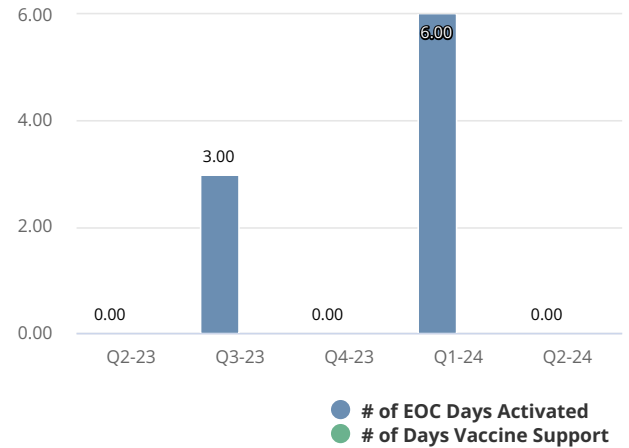
## Roadside Vegetation Treatment

Roadside Vegetation Treatment



## Emergency Response Activation

Emergency Response Activation



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## Progress Update

Q2-24

Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights include:

- The Economic Development Action Plan is available /on the county website/economic development department webpage: [Economic Development Action Plan | Nevada County, CA \(nevadacountyca.gov\)](https://www.nevadacountyca.gov/economic-development). Outreach included presentations to Nevada City, City of Grass Valley, the Town of Truckee, the Economic Resource Council, and a chamber stakeholder meeting. Economic partner feedback on their current or proposed roles in each of the goals and strategies was received the end of June.
- The Ranch House six-plex project has been framed and interior and exterior finishes are complete. In addition, the septic system has been installed.
- As part of the Resource Conservation District Sustainable Agriculture Land Conservation (SALC) grant, the Economic Development Office, Planning Department and Department of Agriculture began their participation as part of the three-year grant to develop and implement the Agricultural Working Landscape Conservation Plan. The plan is key to analyzing the current agricultural and conservation policies and providing recommendations for updates to the general plan.
- Sierra Business Council and Sierra Commons launched the first Forest Entrepreneurship workshop series. There was a waiting list so the next workshop series is being planned.
- The Economic Development Office completed a Donner Summit business and amenities marketing campaign. This included helping to build out the Donner Summit Association website. Work also included social media, press releases and advertising. Between January and May, their Facebook audience increased by 490 followers. In March 2024, 55% of all visitors went to the News Page. *Where to Eat and Where to Stay* were the most popular during this time period.
- The Cannabis Compliance Division worked with the Sierra Business Council to complete the review of 116 equity grant awards received who met the requirements of the Governor's Go-Biz Equity Grant and Department of Cannabis Control Equity Grant.

## Next Steps

Q2-24

Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:

- The Department of Agriculture will begin to consolidate data for the 2023 Annual Crop Report with an anticipated report completion date of October 2024.
- The Economic Development office will collaborate with the Nevada County Arts Council to create a *Show Up for the Arts* rack card as a tool to boost attendance at performing arts events.
- Working with the economic partners, the Economic Development Office will map out current and potential economic development work to be completed in year one as referenced in the Economic Development Action Plan.
- The Economic Development Office will coordinate with the Recreation Office to understand timelines and expectation of economic development and tourism activities called out in the Recreation Resiliency Master Plan.
- The Nevada County Airport's Revenue Sustainability and Future Development Plan Study Phase I work will begin.
- The Economic Development Program Manager will collaborate with economic partners to explore the concept of a Business Retention Expansion (BRE) Program.

## Initiatives



### Support potential high growth sector development

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24



### Cultivate economic diversification, sustainability and equity

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24



### Establish infrastructure, further projects and plans to support economic vitality

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24



### Seek funding and advocate for economic development priorities

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24



### Support business attraction, retention and growth

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/4/24 - 12/31/24



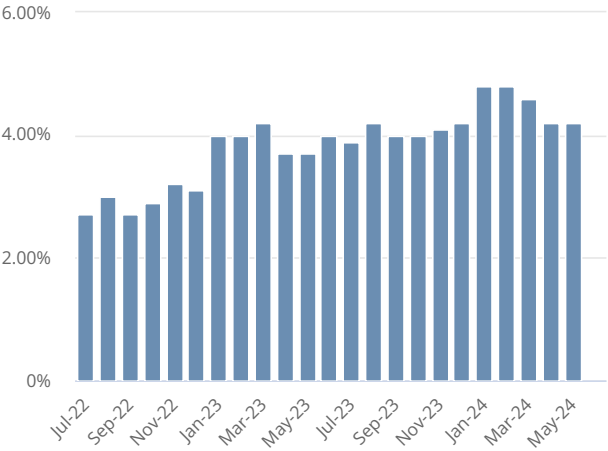
### Strengthen Rural and County Identity

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24



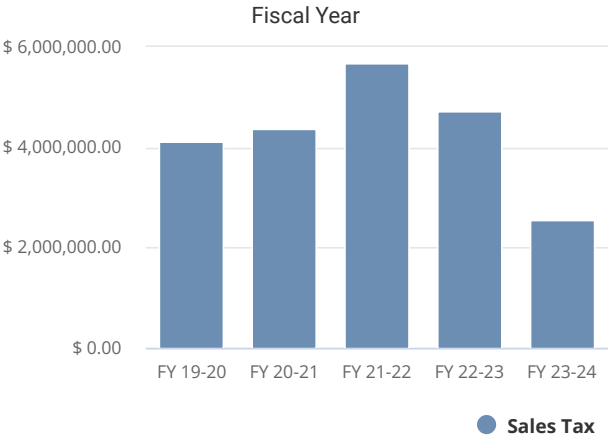
Unemployment Rate

Nevada County unemployment rate



Sales Tax

Other key general fund revenues



Owner



Kimberly Parker (Community Development Agency, Office of Economic Development)

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**

Q2-24

- Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:
- Launched Last-Mile Grant Program Round 3 with goal of awarding by September 2024.

**Next Steps**

Q2-24

- Plans for Q3 2024 (July through September 2024) include:
- Anticipate learning if Golden State Connect Authority received the FFA (Federal Funding Account) Last Mile Grant Program and Loan Loss Reserve Programs from the CPUC.
  - Study possible amendments to the zoning ordinance to allow for easier permitting of small towers specific to wireless broadband installation.
  - Support digital equity by providing outreach to ensure people learn of all available affordable internet service offerings.
  - Update Nevada County broadband website to update accomplishments, FAQs, and other information to maintain the utmost public transparency.

## Initiatives



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

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24



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

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24



Update the County's “Broadband Strategy.”

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Fund and implement the “Dig-Once” policy.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Engage and inform the community about County efforts to expand broadband.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



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

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Establish partnerships to advance and undertake broadband construction projects.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 10/1/22 - 2/1/23

## Owner



Steve Monaghan (IGS)

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



## Progress Update

Q2-24

Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:

- Behavioral Health Community Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) funds were awarded to purchase a property on Sutton Way, **The Commons Resource Center**, to be used as a day center and navigation center. Housing and Community Services is currently working towards remodeling the building for a fully operational program. Construction is expected to begin in August 2024 with estimated completion in February of 2025.
- **Manufactured Housing Opportunity and Revitalization Program (MORE)** funds in the amount of \$1.8 million were awarded for rehabilitation and replacement of mobile homes for low-income residents and are estimated to be available for distribution in the fall.
- **Habitat for Humanity** was selected to construct an **owner-occupied home** for a low-income family through the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust Fund (WNCRHTF). This project aligns with the County's 5-year plan for Permanent Local Housing Allocation funding and is scheduled for completion this year. Habitat for Humanity has been awarded additional funds from the Trust Fund for another project.
- **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. The project received \$2.89 million in additional funding for construction from the Community Care Expansion grant. Construction began in October 2023 and estimated completion is in October 2024.
- **Empire Mine Courtyard** has made substantial progress towards 18 units of permanent housing for homeless individuals. Health and Human Services agency staff are currently exploring funding to renovate up to seven additional units in an existing building on the property.
- **Lone Oak Phase II** is in planning for 31 units of low-income Senior housing. Nevada County awarded funds from the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust Fund to developer Pacific West Communities to support the project. The project continues to seek additional funding for tax credit success and will apply again for tax credits this fall.
- **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 project is waiting for additional funding through federal tax credits.
- The **Affordable Workforce and Housing Team** is a collaboration between the Community Development Agency and Health and Human Services to advance development of affordable and workforce housing through coordination on projects and policies. The Team meets monthly.
- Voters passed **Proposition 1** in March, ensuring additional **funding towards housing** for people experiencing homeless. Health and Human Services is focusing on understanding opportunities to leverage funding once available.

## Next Steps

Q2-24

Plans for Q2 2024 (April through June 2024) include:

- Continue construction on the Commons Resource Center.
- Continue construction of Ranch House PSH units.
- Continue to explore funding options for rehabilitation of up to seven additional units at Empire Mine Courtyards.

- Select projects for development of affordable rental development and owner-occupied construction from Requests for Proposals released in January.
- Submit application for LHTF funding in May.
- Submit application for Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA).
- Continue Affordable and Workforce Housing Team monthly meetings.

## Initiatives



**Facilitate and promote partnerships for the development of affordable and supportive housing**

Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24



**Implement a centralized Landlord Liaison Program (LLP)**

Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24

## Measures



**New Housing Units Built in Unincorporated Areas**

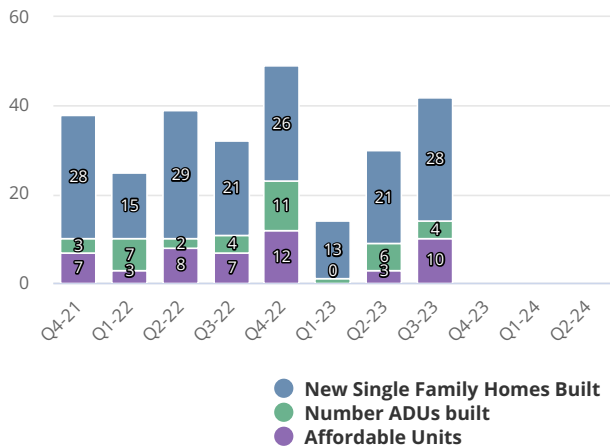
Community Development Agency



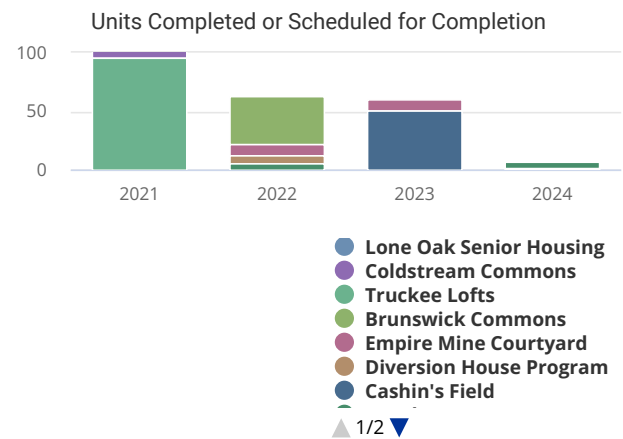
**Housing Units**

Homeless Plan Phase 1

**New Housing Units Built**  
New Housing Units Built in Unincorporated Areas



**Affordable Housing Units**  
Housing Units





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

Q2-24

Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:

- Hospitality House was contracted through **Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) grant funds** to continue outreach and case management, providing 30 new beds to serve as interim “bridge” housing for chronically homeless individuals with serious mental illness and substance use disorders. With a goal to bridge **temporary and interim shelter** to permanent, sustainable housing, the program aims to serve approximately 150-200 individuals through 2027. The BHBH program began providing services in December of 2023, providing temporary housing to 32 unduplicated individuals, totaling 763 occupied bed nights within the month. Housing navigation services were provided to program participants, leading to 2 participants exiting the program for permanent housing opportunities.
- Behavioral Health launched the **Enhanced Care Management Team** to improve connectivity to Nevada County Behavioral Health treatment. The ECM Team remains fully staffed through this quarter and provided case management to 250 individuals in 2023.
- The **Campaign to End Veterans Homelessness** continues to make progress. Currently, 15 veterans are homeless. The project housed 60 veterans since it started and reduced the time veterans spend homeless to less than 180 days on average. Achieving Functional Zero requires that 3 veterans or less are homeless at any time, with this number maintained for a minimum of three months. Available housing continues to be a challenge for reaching functional zero. Through its partnership with Built For Zero, Nevada County secured \$75,000 in flexible funding dedicated to the veterans campaign to reach functional zero. This funding is extremely flexible, allowing for creative and expedited uses to remove housing barriers for veterans. The Veterans Housing Resource Team has increased meeting frequency and outreach to expedite housing placements, and is looking to increase placements from two a month to five a month while reducing new inflow to one or less by connecting at-risk veterans to flex funding to preserve housing.
- Nevada County Behavioral Health (NCBH) received an award letter in the amount of \$2.5 million of **Encampment Resolution Funds (ERF)**. These funds will be used to create **Landlord Liaison** Team resources with funding to secure housing, pay rents, and incentive landlords to participate in housing homeless clients. NCBH anticipates receiving the standard contract in July and complete solicitation for a provider by August with the program starting in September or October of 2024.
- Collaborated with the local Continuum of Care (CoC) to complete a **Homeless Action Plan** pursuant to new state regulations governing allocations of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) funding to address homelessness. Administration of HHAP funding has transferred to the CoC and the county and the CoC continue to collaborate on performance metrics to address homeless as outline in the Homeless Action Plan.
- Following Board direction to streamline and enhance **weather shelter operations**, Health and Human Services Agency is engaging the Tahoe Truckee Homeless Advisory Council and stakeholders in Eastern County for solutions for the upcoming season. Shelter for Western County is also in planning.

## Next Steps

Q2-24

Plans for Q3 (July through September):



- Continue to utilize outreach and collaboration with the BHBH Team to reach vulnerable Nevada County residents where they're at and bring them into services and shelter.

- Utilize the day center as a central hub for operations and outreach between ECM and BHBH Team to implement and expand interim housing operations for serving unsheltered clients.
- Complete the Commons Resource Center in order to provide a wider array of day resources services aimed at linking those who utilize the service to permanent housing.

## Initiatives

-  **Increase availability of rental and mortgage assistance funding to prevent individuals and families from slip...**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 6/30/24
-  **Expand services and housing opportunities to transition aged youth and families with children to prevent e...**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24
-  **Continue to support and strengthen outreach, engagement, and case management**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24
-  **Strengthen housing focused case management and post housing supportive services**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24
-  **Expand year-round shelter capacity**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24
-  **Expand and strengthen non-congregant, navigation-based, interim housing options**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24
-  **Support system wide improvement to data collection measures, collaboration on funding opportunities, an...**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24
-  **Strengthen the coordinated multi-disciplinary case conferencing team (Homeless Resource Team)**  
Homeless Plan 2024 | 1/1/21 - 12/31/24

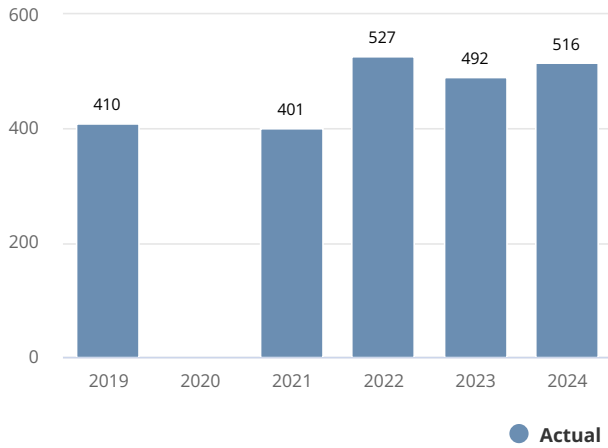
## Measures

-  **Point in Time Homeless Count**  
Homeless Plan Phase 1
-  **Built for Zero and Functional Zero**  
Homeless Plan 2024



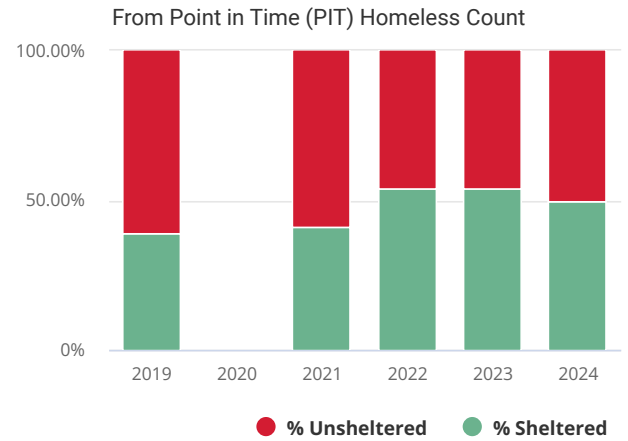
### Point in Time Homeless Count

Point in Time Homeless Count



### Sheltered Versus Unsheltered

Point in Time Homeless Count



### Owner



Mike Dent (Housing and Community Services)



## Recreation

Board of Supervisors 2024

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

Q2-24

Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include:

- Received Board approval for final adoption of the Recreation & Resiliency Master Plan following 18 months of extensive analysis, countywide community engagement and plan development;
- Acknowledged by the National Association of Counties with a "Best in Category - Parks & Recreation" Award for providing collaborative solutions for Visitor Safety and Outdoor Recreation Management;
- Launched and expanded the South Yuba River Public Safety Cohort visitor and river safety public safety campaign, to include a suite of videos, coordinated messaging and collateral that was also responsive to the Lake Spaulding damaged water infrastructure impacts;
- Provided administrative support for grant solicitation, project management, advocacy and convening collaboratives; and
- Received notice that federal appropriation funding requests were approved and submitted by Senator Padilla for consideration; requests include Van Norden Meadow recreation and restoration actions and adaptive management planning for the South Yuba River corridor.

### Next Steps

Q2-24

Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:

- Begin implementation phase of the Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan, with a focus on leveraging dedicated funds and grantwriting support to advance prioritized projects;
- Develop and release RFP for AB1600 Recreation Mitigation Funds;
- Manage Visitor Safety and Outdoor Recreation by coordinating Visitor Intercept campaign, initiation of grant-funded projects and completion of select Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund projects;
- Analyze recreation policy and impacts including low-intensity camping ordinances and outdoor recreation economic impact studies; and
- Provide administrative support for grant solicitation, project management, advocacy and convening collaboratives.

## Initiatives



Finalize and approve the Nevada County Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 6/30/24



Promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and other high-use or high-risk areas.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24



Enhance recreation access, health and safety, economic development, and resource conservation.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/22



Support capacity and sustainability of Western Nevada County organized recreation.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24



Identify funding mechanisms and act on advocacy priorities to sustain recreation.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/24



Staff recreation collaborative(s) to promote countywide coordination.

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/22 - 12/31/23



Safeguard Nevada County's economic durability, environmental integrity, and public health and safety by preparing for, adapting to, and mitigating changing climate conditions in a way that reflects our rural quality of life.



**Progress Update**

Q2-24

- Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:
- Nevada County Board of Supervisors approval of \$650,000 Regional Resilience Grant Program award and executed partner agreement with Sierra Business Council and California Heritage: Indigenous Research Project (CHIRP), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit guided by the Nevada City Rancheria Tribal Council to implement this grant.
  - The application for Civic Spark Fellow to support climate resilience administration and projects from September 2024 – September 2025 was approved
  - Began working with Sierra Nevada Energy Watch (SNEW) on data collection for community-wide and County operations to calculate a baseline inventory of greenhouse gas emissions, including the launch of an employee commute survey for county staff.

**Next Steps**

Q2-24

- Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:
- Complete and release the request for proposals from consultants to develop the Climate Action and Adaption and Resiliency Plan (CAARP)
  - Coordinate plan with existing County plans to realize efficiencies and leverage existing initiatives.
  - Finalize Regional Resiliency Planning Grant agreement with State of California and begin implementation phase.

## Initiatives



### Community Coordination

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 3/1/23 - 3/31/23



### Climate Strategic Plan

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 4/1/23 - 4/30/23



### Harden Critical Infrastructure

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 4/1/23 - 4/30/23



### Enhance Carbon Storage and Sequestration

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 4/1/23 - 4/30/23



### Funding and Advocacy

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 4/1/23 - 4/30/23



### Public Health

Board of Supervisors 2024 | 1/1/24 - 12/31/24










### Promote Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, and Storage Capabilities


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## Initiative Details



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Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
OBJECTIVES		
 <b>Financial Stability and Core Services</b>		
 <b>Monitor economically sensitive revenues</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Property and Transfer Taxes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Property taxes are the largest source of discretionary revenues for the County, and continue to grow in FY 23-24, though at a lower rate than the previous two fiscal years. Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) growth is likely to be more or less on par with years preceding the COVID-era and its impacts on the real estate market</li> <li>Transfer Taxes on the other hand appear to be flattening. Results through May are approximately the equal to the same timeframe in FY 22-23</li> <li>Transfer Taxes have historically been a leading indicator of trends on Property Tax revenues and accordingly, this activity will continue to be monitored closely</li> </ul> </li> <li>Sales Tax <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sales tax revenues are beginning to show softening compared to FY 22-23 through May, with revenues down approximately 3%</li> </ul> </li> <li>Transient Occupancy Taxes (TOT) revenues continue to show strength, outperforming FY 22-23 through May by approximately 10%</li> <li>Business Activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building fees are anticipated to end the Fiscal Year just under FY 22-23, with revenues down approximately 2%</li> <li>Recording fees are also anticipated to end the Fiscal Year just under FY 22-23, with revenues down approximately 3%</li> <li>Similar to transfer taxes, these fees have historically been a leading indicator of trends on Property Tax revenues.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Gas Tax revenues are strong and expected to end the Fiscal Year approximately 14% higher than FY 22/23, indicating no significant slowing in this area of economic activity</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to monitor key revenue streams for indicators of recession</li> <li>Closely watch recording fee and transfer tax activities for potential risks to property tax revenues</li> </ul>
 <b>Ensure healthy fund balances in major operating funds</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Estimates in the budget proposals for current year are mostly neutral or net positive for all major operating funds.</li> <li>Proposed FY 24/25 Budget does include some use of fund balances, but this is generally for planned purposes, and overall balances remain healthy and reflect an ability to meet cash flow needs.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalize analysis on FY 23/24 ending position as compared to budget estimates for potential areas of concern</li> <li>Identify potential impacts from final State budget and consider use of fund balances to weather impacts where appropriate and sustainable</li> </ul>
 <b>Prepare and implement long-term financial plans</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continued to monitor State budget proposals including Governor's May Revision and subsequent proposals from Legislature. This process remains unsettled with the State adopting a placeholder budget on June 13.</li> <li>Board Workshop input incorporated into proposed FY 24/25 budgets</li> <li>Incorporated updated Capital Facilities and Information and General Services plans into proposed FY 24/25 budgets</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor State and Federal budget picture for potential impacts to County fiscal stability</li> <li>Develop potential adjustments to long term project planning if appropriate</li> </ul>

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 <b>Develop and manage County budget</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April through June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted approximately 50 hours of Budget Subcommittee review of all proposed budgets</li> <li>• Conducted June 18 Proposed Budget public hearing</li> <li>• Fiscal Year 24/25 Budget scheduled for adoption June 25 as balanced with one time use of General Fund fund balance for planned purposes and with healthy reserves</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finalize analysis on FY 23/24 ending position</li> <li>• Debrief with budget stakeholders to identify potential improvements to budget process</li> </ul>
OBJECTIVES		
 <b>Emergency Preparedness</b>		
 <b>Reduce Hazardous Vegetation on County-Maintained Roads and County Owned Property</b> Information and General Services	<p><u>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads crews completed 23.28 lane miles of vegetation removal and 400 lane miles of weed abatement spraying for Q2.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July-September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crews are currently working on vegetation clearing on Pleasant Valley Rd, North Bloomfield Rd, and You Bet Rd. They will also continue with weed abatement as well. There will be less progress this quarter due to the danger of doing this work in the peak of fire season.</li> </ul>


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 <b>Hazard Mitigation</b> Office of Emergency Services 2023	<p><u>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identified list of 18 Qualified Vegetation Treatment vendors for wildfire mitigation projects (to be brought to the BOS for approval July 9).</li> <li>• Held Woodpecker Ravine Phase 1 Town Hall that was attended by over 100 community members to kick-off 410-acre wildfire mitigation project.</li> <li>• Collection over 200 Right-of-Entry forms for the Woodpecker Ravine Phase 1 Project.</li> <li>• Planned for Woodpecker Ravine Virtual Town Hall.</li> <li>• Contract with vendors for Nevada County Roadside Vegetation Abatement Project Phase 1 (environmental compliance and treatment design) and kicked off this aspect of the project.)</li> <li>• Finalized Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) agreement with USFS to increase the pace and scale of collaborative work on federal plan (to be brought to the BOS for approval July 9).</li> <li>• Brought \$858,666 in FEMA/HMGP funding for the Prepare CA Match: Nevada County South Yuba Rim Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project Phase 1 (6,000-acre planning project) to the BOS for approval along with a contract for this work with non-profit Yuba Watershed Institute.</li> <li>• Planned and executed the South Yuba Rim Town Hall (held on June 26).</li> <li>• Brought \$214,000 in Sierra Nevada Conservancy funding for the South Yuba Rim Federal Land Project (an 1,800-acre planning project on BLM land that compliments the concurrent FEMA/HMGP Project) to the to the BOS for approval along with a contract for this work with non-profit Yuba Watershed Institute.</li> <li>• Brought \$186,077 in California Fire Safe Council funding for the County Coordinator Grant renewal to the BOS for approval.</li> <li>• Continued work with qualified consultants to lead strategic planning efforts: the <i>Nevada County Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update</i> (funded by CWDG) and the <i>Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update</i> (funded by FEMA).</li> <li>• Brought \$1,040,465 in FEMA/GO funding for the BRIC Phase 1 Project to the BOS for approval.</li> <li>• Worked with USFS to stand up the agreement for the \$750,000 of FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending funds to support vegetation abatement along private roads was approved.</li> <li>• Released Task Orders to Qualified Lists for Environmental Consulting Services and Registered Professional Foresters (RPF) for Ponderosa Phase 2 and Phase 1 Maintenance Projects; selected qualified vendors and awarded Task Orders.</li> <li>• Executed contract with Yuba Watershed Institute for the BLM Collaborative Capacity Building Program.</li> <li>• Worked Nevada County Resource Conservation District (RCD), Farm Bureau, and Agricultural Commissioner to develop the Livestock Fuel Reduction Program and finalized contract with the RCD for this project.</li> <li>• Released a Request for Proposals for Forest Reserve (Title III) projects and identified projects to bring to the BOS as recommendations.</li> <li>• Finalized RFPs for the Community Wildfire Protection Plan Project (CWPP) for the interactive Project Dashboard and Land Management Plan.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July-September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring GNA Agreement with USFS to the BOS for approval; begin work on \$300,000 worth of collaborative roadside vegetation work in eastern Nevada County.</li> <li>• Plan and execute Town Hall for Ponderosa Projects.</li> <li>• Continue to support execution of on-the-groundwork at Woolman and Shady Creek Schools and in the Jones Bar Firewise Community as part of the Sierra Foothill Forest Climate Resilience Project in partnership with Sierra Streams Institute.</li> <li>• Be responsive to any additional Requests for Information for pending Access and Functional Needs Phase 2 Grant.</li> <li>• Be responsive to ongoing Requests for Information for pending grants including the Lower Deer Creek/Penn Valley Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (\$5 Million Dollars).</li> <li>• Bring USFS grant for FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending funds to support vegetation abatement along private roads to the BOS for fund acceptance.</li> <li>• Collect Right-of-Entry forms for Woodpecker Ravine, South Yuba Rim, and Ponderosa Projects so that treatment design and environmental compliance for these projects can be finalized.</li> <li>• Identify vendors to initiate work on the BRIC Phase 1 Project.</li> <li>• Release RFPs for the Community Wildfire Protection Plan Project (CWPP) for the interactive Project Dashboard and Land Management Plan; select qualified vendors and execute contracts for this work.</li> </ul>





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 <b>Recovery</b>	<p><u>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All projects for the February Winter Storm (DR-4699) were submitted to FEMA &amp; CAL OES.</li> <li>• The OES team and Recovery Contractor met numerous times with FEMA and CAL OES recovery staff to discuss the February 2023 Winter Storm projects and the December 2021 CDAA Recovery Projects.</li> <li>• OES staff worked with the Purchasing Department to create a contract and hire a contractor to focus on CAL OES and FEMA Winter Storm recovery projects. This individual will work approximately 10 hours a week and has already made significant progress in moving recovery projects along.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July-September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OES staff will continue to work with FEMA on the remaining February 2023 Winter Storm recovery projects and will work with CAL OES to move along the December 2021 Winter storm projects.</li> </ul>
<p>OBJECTIVES</p>  <b>Economic Development</b>		


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 <b>Support potential high growth sector development</b>	<p>Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights include:</p> <p><u>Agriculture:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Department of Agriculture held an annual grower meeting class on the Safe and Effective Use of Pesticides. Five people attended.</li> <li>The Department of Agriculture sponsored the annual Farm Bureau Ag Tour with 13 County attendees. The itinerary included a prescribed burn demonstration, a visit to Weiss Brothers commercial growing grounds, Bierwagen Farm highlighting its Super Tuber Farm producing high quality organic food, an update on Nevada Irrigation District's (NID) plan, ending the day at Montoliva Vineyards.</li> <li>The Department of Agriculture, Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Services, CalFire and UC Cooperative Extension participated in the Ag Disaster Access Pass Training. The program is not an animal rescue or evacuation program; rather, the pass is designed to provide coordinated and safe access for producers with operations inside evacuation zones. Passholders work with UCCE and county agriculture departments to obtain permission from incident commanders to re-enter evacuation zones when it is safe to do so, for the purpose of feeding and caring for livestock.</li> <li>The Ag Commissioner, Economic Development Program Manager and Planning Director participated in the Resource Conservation District Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) planning grant kick-off meeting. The funds will be used to establish a comprehensive Agricultural and Working Landscape Conservation Plan in collaboration with Bear Yuba Land Trust, Sierra Harvest, and the Nevada County Farm Bureau.</li> </ul> <p><u>Tourism</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Donner Summit campaign to promote business and amenities included updating the Donner Summit Association (DSA) website and driving visitors to the website via social media using Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This strategy increased overall readership by leveraging targeted content, advertisements, and community engagement to boost traffic achieving a 306% year-over-year increase in audience reach. This growth demonstrates the power of social media in expanding an online presence and building a loyal readership base. In addition, the campaign has increased the Facebook audience by 490 followers. The campaign concluded the end of June.</li> <li>The Economic Development Office coordinated a tourism itinerary with visits to Nevada City and Grass Valley, touring arts and culture venues, and showcasing our recreation sites. Approached by VISIT CALIFORNIA, the goal was for a German reporter who writes for Süddeutsche Zeitung, one of the largest newspapers in Germany equivalent to the New York Times, to do a story encouraging German residents to visit the area.</li> <li>Gonevadacounty.com saw multiple posts go viral this fiscal year. Facebook reached over 521,052 people, a 1,900% increase from last year. Audience growth was 2,029 net new followers. Instagram published an average of three unique posts each week.</li> </ul> <p><u>Cannabis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cannabis Compliance Division worked with the Sierra</li> </ul>	<p>Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:</p> <p><u>Agriculture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Office, Planning Department, and Department of Agriculture will continue participation in the SALC meetings and activities. Work includes determining the framework and policies necessary to ensure that agricultural land conservation remains and is an integral driver in addressing climate change and food security by conserving agricultural lands while also ensuring that the farming and ranching lifestyle will be sustainable, equitable, and preserved for the community for many more generations.</li> <li>The Department of Agriculture will begin to consolidate data for the 2023 Annual Crop Report. The anticipated completion for the report is October.</li> <li>The Department of Agriculture will partner with the Resource Conservation District (RCD) to explore potential funding opportunities for Ag Ponds, that will assist farmers and ranchers with water storage issues. Ag ponds, or agricultural ponds, are man-made water bodies designed for irrigation, livestock, aquaculture, and other farming activities to enhance water management and crop production.</li> </ul> <p><u>Tourism</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Office will collaborate with the Nevada County Arts Council to create a "Show Up for the Arts" rack card as a tool to boost attendance for performing arts organizations that are struggling to bring back audiences to their events.</li> <li>The Economic Development Office will work with partners to identify potential improvements to the gonevadacounty.com site and the TRUMBA event calendar.</li> <li>The Economic Development Office will convene a group in western Nevada County to identify tactics in the Economic Development Action Plan that the tourism sector can focus on over the next year.</li> <li>The Economic Development Office will coordinate with the Recreation Office to understand timelines and expectation of economic development and tourism activities called out in the Recreation Resiliency Master Plan</li> </ul> <p><u>Cannabis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Once the Cannabis Compliance Division notifies the equity grant awardees of the Governor's Go-Biz Equity grant, staff will follow-up to ensure the awardees are meeting the requirements of their award.</li> <li>The Cannabis Compliance Division will continue to work with the Sierra Business Council to finalize the review of the equity grant awards to applicants</li> </ul>






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	<p>Business Council to complete the review of 116 equity grant awards received who met the requirements of the Governor's Go-Biz Equity Grant and Department of Cannabis Control Equity Grant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Cannabis Compliance Division completed the process to allow for applicants to self-book their Annual Cannabis Permit (ACP) annual inspections.</li> <li>• The Planning Department and the Cannabis Compliance Department met with the cannabis ad-hoc committee to receive feed-back and comments on the proposed updates to the Cannabis Ordinance.</li> <li>• The Economic Development Office and the Cannabis Compliance Division finalized and received the signed Grant Agreement for the Department of Cannabis Control Retail Access Grant for a grant award of \$275,000.</li> </ul>	<p>who meet the requirements of the Department of Cannabis Control Equity Grant. It is anticipated that announcement of these grant awards will be in Summer 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Planning Department and Code and Cannabis Compliance Department will continue work to complete the development of an amendment to the Cannabis Ordinance, based on Board direction at the January 2023 workshop. It is anticipated that the amendments to the Ordinance will be released for public comments in Summer 2024 with public meetings being held to solicit public comments also in Summer 2024. Funding to complete the updates to the Cannabis Ordinance and the creation of competitive selection process for the submission of up to three retail storefront commercial cannabis dispensaries is being paid for by the recently awarded DCC Retail Access Grant.</li> <li>• As part of the summer cannabis season, the Cannabis Compliance Division will continue to complete Annual Cannabis Permit Inspections (ACPs) for permitted cannabis farmers.</li> </ul>

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 <b>Cultivate economic diversification, sustainability and equity</b>	<p>Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economic Development Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The final designed version of the Economic Development Action Plan is available on the county website at <a href="https://www.nevadacountyca.gov/economic-development-action-plan">Economic Development Action Plan   Nevada County, CA (nevadacountyca.gov)</a>.</li> <li>Staff and consultants presented to the Town of Truckee, City of Grass Valley, the City of Nevada City, the Economic Resource Council and a chamber stakeholder meeting.</li> <li>Working with our economic partners, the Economic Development Office gathered information on their current and future plans as related to the energy action plan which will be culminated into one document mapping where efforts are in place, where there are opportunities, and where there are gaps.</li> </ul> </li> <li>CA Jobs First: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager attended Leadership Council meetings where five priority sectors were identified in the Tradeable clusters: Business Services, Research and Development, Precision Manufacturing, Working Lands and Other (which includes Creative Economy and Tourism. In addition, the Council is focusing on quality jobs in the healthcare and construction sectors. Inclusionary strategies include workforce development, childcare, transportation, housing, and outreach and awareness.</li> <li>The Economic Development Office is collaborating with the Economic Resource Council on their contract with Integrated Communication Strategies. The goal is to identify key strategies from the Economic Development Action Plan, Community Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), Recreation Resiliency Master Plan that can be aligned with the work through CA Jobs First.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Sierra Business Council finalized the updated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) scheduled to be on their website <a href="#">CEDS - Sierra Business Council</a> in the very near future.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:</p> <p>Economic Development Action Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with the economic partners, the Economic Development Office will map out of current and potential economic development work as referenced in the Economic Development Action plan.</li> <li>The Economic Development Action Plan partners will meet to discuss top priorities and strategies and next steps for plan progression.</li> </ul> <p>CA JOBS First</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Office will continue to work with subregional partners to encourage projects are ready for submission during the Catalyst phase in the late fall.</li> </ul> <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager will collaborate with the NC Economic Resource Council and Integrated Communications Strategies on recommended priority actions and potential joint regional opportunities resulting from a detailed review and analysis of existing plans covering Nevada County with an assessment of how they align, where they don't and gap closing actions.</li> </ul>




Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
 <p><b>Establish infrastructure, further projects and plans to support economic vitality</b></p>	<p>Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights included:</p> <p><u>North San Juan (NSJ) Fire Suppression Project</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The permit set design plans for the system were completed.</li> <li>• Staff executed a contract for a grant writing consultant to write an application to the California Housing and Community Development Community Block Development Grant program.</li> <li>• Staff sent revised NEPA documents to the USDA for completion of the funding application.</li> <li>• Staff drafted easement descriptions and appraisals for the acquisition process.</li> </ul> <p><u>County Facilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The contract with Nelson was approved by the Board of Supervisors in May 2024 for the Nevada City Courthouse: Highest and Best Use Study. A steering committee was formed to help guide this effort.</li> <li>• A request for proposals went out and submissions reviewed for the Nevada County Airport's Revenue Sustainability and Future Development Plan. A contract with Aeroplex Group Partners went to the to the Board for approval on June 25, 2024.</li> <li>• Jordan Knighton Architects was selected for the Nevada County Regional Truckee Library Project. The contract was approved, and design visioning is underway as of May 2024.</li> <li>• The Ranch House six-plex project was framed and interior and exterior finished are near complete. The Septic System has been installed.</li> </ul>	<p>Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:</p> <p><u>North San Juan (NSJ) Fire Suppression Project</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Proposition 218 ballot assessment process required to form the County Service Area will be conducted.</li> <li>• All necessary easements for the NSJ project construction and maintenance will be acquired.</li> <li>• If needed, county staff will begin noticing of environmental mitigations for monitoring pre-operation site conditions.</li> <li>• Staff will apply for additional Community Development Block Grant funds for community facilities.</li> <li>• Staff will progress the plans, speculations, and estimates for the project to 100%.</li> <li>• Staff will conduct further coordination meetings with USDA.</li> </ul> <p><u>County Facilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nelson consultants will begin an assessment of the current courthouse site as part of Phase I of the Next Best Use Study.</li> <li>• Nevada County Airport's Revenue Sustainability and Future Development Plan Study Phase I work will begin.</li> <li>• Jordan Knighton Architects for the Nevada County Regional Truckee Library Project's Design Team will work on the final site layout for the library building.</li> <li>• The Ranch House six-plex project is expected to near completion by the 4th quarter.</li> </ul> <p><u>Other</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Economic Development Program Manager will continue to meet with community partners to identify solutions to barriers for projects including housing, space needs, business expansion, and new facilities.</li> </ul>


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 <p>Seek funding and advocate for economic development priorities</p>	<p>Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Economic Development Office is serving as the Nevada County Lead for the Sustainable Agricultural Land Conservation and Department of Cannabis Compliance Retail Access grants highlighted under the Support Potential High Growth Sectors initiative.</li> <li>• Staff began to build out the funding/grant section on the Economic Development web page on the mynevadacounty.com website.</li> <li>• Staff provided ongoing grant opportunities to local nonprofits and businesses through the monthly economic development e-newsletter and personal contact. Examples include restaurant grants, arts grants, infrastructure grants.</li> </ul>	<p>Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As part of an Economic Development Action Plan strategy, over the next year the Economic Development Office will research funding options, potential incentives, and business rebates that offer potential opportunities for local businesses and nonprofits.</li> <li>• The Economic Development Office will pursue grant opportunities that will benefit strategic work identified in the economic development action plan and the Community Development Agency capital project list. In addition, staff will forward grant guidelines to local business and nonprofits.</li> <li>• The Economic Development Office will coordinate with County staff in support of the County's Legislative Platform, fire insurance and other key initiatives that will impact the economic well-being of the county.</li> </ul>

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 <b>Support business attraction, retention and growth</b>	<p>Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Office met with 35 businesses providing direction to resources, warm handoffs to economic partners, and connection to County departments. Meeting categories included restaurant, construction, manufacturing, nonprofit, retail and more.</li> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager attended the CalEd conference focusing on sessions related to financing, marketing, tourism, and business development. Several ideas from the conference will be suggested to economic partners of work they might consider because it ties to their mission and has a direct tie to strategies outlined in the Economic Development Action Plan.</li> <li>The Sierra Business Council (SBC) contract was renewed. Work will include Business Technical Assistance, Warm Handoff Coordinated Services, Private Business Collaboration and Promoting the expansion of Rural Broadband.</li> <li>Activities through SBC for the 2nd quarter included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>104 Business Consultation meetings.</li> <li>268 Total consultation hours.</li> <li>36 new and emerging businesses were assisted.</li> <li>28 workshops were conducted including Access to Capital, QuickBooks 101, Digital Marketing, Choosing the Right Legal Structure, and more.</li> <li>142 people attended workshops.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fifteen people from the County attended the Nevada County Economic Resource Council's Tour of Nevada County on May 9.</li> <li>As part of their contract, Sierra Business Council and Sierra Commons launched the first Forest Entrepreneurship workshop series.</li> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager attended Sierra College's first Workforce Summit with keynotes from CA Manufacturers and Technology Association, Greater Sacramento Economic Council, and presenters from industry such as Bosch, Kaiser Permanente, School Superintendents, Sierra College and more.</li> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager reviewed RFPs as part of the Nevada County Arts Council selection process for their Master Plan.</li> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager along with the newly hired Nevada County's Career Technical Education/Youth Leadership Coordinator, Economic Resource Council, Nevada Joint Union High School District, Contractors Association, and others coordinated on the Youth Bus Tour pilot program. A class from Silver Springs High School visited manufacturers, toured a construction site and learned about the trades on a full day field trip.</li> <li>In collaboration with Nevada Joint Union High School District, Nevada County's Career Technical Education/Youth Leadership Coordinator has launched an exciting program connecting Career Technical Education (CTE) students to internships.</li> </ul>	<p>Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Economic Development Program Manager will participate on the Trades Day planning committee hosted by the Nevada County Contractors Association. Approximately 400 high school students will attend to hear about possible career technical paths.</li> <li>The Program Manager will collaborate with our economic partners to explore the concept of a Business Retention program.</li> <li>The Career Technical Education (CTE)/Youth Leadership Coordinator plans to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build an asset map that includes current and potential CTE pathways, current and potential partners, potential revenue streams with focus on challenges in connecting Work Based Learning (WBL) opportunities with high school interns.</li> <li>Prepare for a CTE Preview Night for middle schoolers and their parents</li> <li>Coordinate a "Road Show" for middle schoolers highlighting CTE pathways and our WBL hosts.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
 <b>Strengthen Rural and County Identity</b>	<p>Q2 (April - June 2024) highlights include:</p> <p>Very preliminary work began in April because the Economic Development Action Plan was not adopted by the Board of Supervisors until March 2024. During the 2nd quarter, staff reviewed the <i>Boost the visibility of the County and its Assets</i> goal in the Action Plan to identify three potential areas to focus on where strategies and tactics can effectively be implemented in the next fiscal year. The following areas were identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on thoughtful and strategic storytelling about place, people, and unique experiences and audiences. Why should people want to live, work, and play in Nevada County?</li> <li>• Determine the best approach to drive economic activity to lodging, dining, retail, local arts and culture to drive tax revenue and transient occupancy tax.</li> <li>• Utilizing the gonevadacounty.com website, and social media, and other resources, identify pathways to attract and retain workers, businesses and investors.</li> </ul> <p>In addition, the Economic Development Office supported Nevada County's General Information Services which provided assistance in designing the Nevada County Arts Council's GIS cultural map.</p>	<p>Q3 (July - September 2024) plans include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A FY24/25 plan will be developed to build upon the existing gonevadacounty.com website with a goal of enhancing content and resources that tie into the Live Work Play initiative.</li> <li>• Over the next six months, the Economic Development Office will begin to pull data from the Recreation Resiliency Master Plan, Arts Council Economic Impact Report, tourism partners and local tourism related businesses to better understand how to market recreation, arts and culture, and tourism businesses in order to increase transient occupancy tax monies.</li> <li>• The Economic Development Office will work with the County Public Information Officers to identify the best channel(s) and messaging for storytelling to drive the Live, Work, Play model.</li> </ul>
OBJECTIVES		
 <b>Broadband</b>		
 <b>Complete the Programmatic EIR and expand the permitting "tool kit" to facilitate broadband.</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff is currently conducting comparative research across other jurisdictions on the development of a permitting "toolkit" to promote the expansion of broadband development.</li> <li>• County staff have developed preliminary permitting flowcharts and decision trees that could be incorporated into the "toolkit". The Checklist will be a summary of the Mitigation Measures in the EIR so that future providers are made aware of the requirements when they are designing their project and how to avoid duplication of resources and stay within the parameters of the EIR.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct comparative research across other jurisdictions on the development of a permitting "toolkit" to promote the expansion of broadband development with aim to have a draft toolkit by mid 2024.</li> </ul>
 <b>Manage the "Last-Mile" Broadband Grant program with Sierra Business Council.</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Broadband Workgroup updated the Last-Mile grant Guidelines and Last-Mile grant application.</li> <li>• Released 2024 Broadband Grant request for applications (RFA) to the six qualified broadband vendors.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive proposals for Broadband Grant, rank/score, and begin award and contract process, with goal of submitting to the Board of Supervisors for approval on in September 2024.</li> </ul>
 <b>Update the County's "Broadband Strategy."</b>	<p>The County's Broadband Workgroup continues to regularly convene and advise the county's strategy on the development of broadband on an ongoing basis that includes representatives from Information General Services Agency, the County's Chief Information Officer, County Executive Office, Community Development Agency, Public Works, Nevada County Planning Department, Economic Development and the Board of Supervisors. Key updates were incorporated into the Nevada County Broadband Strategy Plan.</p>	<p>This initiative is completed.</p>










Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
 <b>Fund and implement the "Dig-Once" policy.</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There has been minimal use of the County's Dig-Once Policy. Public Works is holding monthly meetings with PG&amp;E to advance future opportunities for the use of the program. In addition, Public Works is ensuring any applicable projects are flagged that could use the program.</li> <li>• Current reasons for challenges on its implementation include the factor that the majority of projects are relatively small, in very remote areas, and with no service to take advantage of the program. They are also commonly isolated small segments that do not offer connectivity to other infrastructure.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to promote the use of the program to applicable developers.</li> </ul>
 <b>Engage and inform the community about County efforts to expand broadband.</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The County continues to issue press releases to the public on key updates on the development of broadband as possible. The Broadband Workgroup raised caution on how communication is conducted to prevent misleading expectations on the county's work that can raise false hopes, as much of the work is dependent on outside funding, state and federal approval and ISP participation. That being said, the issue continues to be a high-requested agenda item for townhall and community meetings.</li> <li>• Created a project team to focus on the CPUC BEAD Challenge program. This program provides an opportunity for the County to champion corrections to the State's Broadband map which shows which residents have adequate Internet service. The program requires residents to submit challenges and for the County to review and submit these to the CPUC. Corrections to this map enhance future funding availability to for Federal BEAD dollars.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outreach and facilitation of BEAD Challenge program including in-person events, street fairs, and assistance to complete residence challenges to the broadband availability map.</li> <li>• Staff will continue to work with the Public Information Officer (PIO) team for communication consultation and support.</li> </ul>
 <b>Seek grant funding and advocate at state and federal level for broadband.</b>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Note: Nevada County submitted a project for the development of a municipal broadband network through the Golden State Connect Authority on September 28, 2023 for funding through the Federal Funding Account first round. If approved, the project would advance a broadband network in western Nevada County that could impact 4,694 homes with last-mile broadband access. The areas selected for the grant application were based on eligible priority areas, per connection costs, proximity to existing middle mile, network sustainability, and network expansion, among other scoring criteria. The project as proposed will be built, owned, and operated by GSCA.</li> <li>• Supported FFA grant applicants, namely Nevada County Fiber and Golden State Connect Authority, in requests for Letters of Support from Congressman Kiley, Senator Dahle, and Assemblywoman Dahle.</li> <li>• Participated in the California Department of Technology State Digital Equity Plan (SDEP) and NTIA Digital Equity Capacity Grant NOFO Briefing for Stakeholders to collaborate and provided input on the Capacity Grant implementation program design.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Golden State Connect Authority anticipate receiving notice on two grants in Q3. The decision will impact the Broadband Workgroup's recommended strategies and next steps.</li> <li>• Continue to collaborate and track the SDEP Capacity Grant and Competitive Grants to support Digital Literacy, Digital Inclusion, and Affordable Device Distribution.</li> <li>• Participate in the process of submitting challenges to verify eligibility of locations for BEAD Funding and dispute the data sourced from the National Broadband Map by using relevant and allowable evidence. This includes collecting, sorting, analyzing, and uploading Challenge data, documentation, and evidence to the CPUC BEAD Challenge Portal.</li> </ul>



Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
 Establish partnerships to advance and undertake broadband construction projects.	Highlights from Q2 (April - June 2024) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Staff is currently conducting research on the issue of wireless internet cellular towers in the County.</li><li>• Note: The Broadband Workgroup brought forward an agenda item to the January 2024 Board Workshop regarding the issue of wireless internet cellular towers in the County and the pros and cons associated with alleviated permitting and guideline standards.</li></ul>	Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conduct research on the issue of wireless internet cellular towers in the County and the pros and cons associated with alleviated permitting and guideline standards to help promote the development and expansion of wireless internet throughout the county as a part of the county's blended strategy as outlined in the Nevada County Broadband Strategy.</li></ul>



## Initiative Details


Board of Supervisors 2024

Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
OBJECTIVES		
 <b>Housing</b>		
 <b>Implement a centralized Landlord Liaison Program (LLP)</b> Homeless Plan 2024	Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In April of 2024, Behavioral Health received award of over \$2.5 million in encampment resolution funds (ERF) to be used to stand up a 3.5 FTE Landlord Liaison Team. The team will provide primary housing navigation services to participants in the BHBH interim housing program, complimenting the case management by providing dedicated staffing and funding to finding and securing permanent housing through landlord engagement.</li> </ul>	<b>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bring the standard contract for awarded ERF to the board for approval</li> <li>Complete a Letter of Interest/Request for Proposal process to secure a Landlord Liaison program (LLP) provider</li> <li>Implement the LLP, including dedicated staffing, risk mitigation funds, landlord incentives, medium term rental supports targeting unsheltered households in the Brunswick Basin and participants in the BHBH program.</li> </ul>
 <b>Facilitate and promote partnerships for the development of affordable and supportive housing</b> Homeless Plan 2024	Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Affordable Workforce and Housing Team is a collaboration between the Community Development Agency and Health and Human Services to advance development of affordable and workforce housing through coordination on projects and policies. The Team meets monthly.</li> <li>The Ranch House is under construction with an estimated completion date in October and will provide six individual units of permanent supportive housing.</li> <li>Community Care Expansion (CCE) funding for preservation of an existing Board and Care facility was allocated in the amount of \$200k for operations and \$200k for capital, with an additional award of \$14,983 as of April 2023. Implementation is in progress.</li> <li>An owner-occupied house is under construction in Grass Valley through Habitat for Humanity with scheduled completion this summer.</li> <li>Requests for Proposals for affordable rental development and owner-occupied development were released in January through the Western Nevada County Regional Housing Trust Fund. Projects have been selected and pre-approved.</li> </ul>	<b>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue Affordable and Workforce Housing Team monthly meetings.</li> <li>Continue to implement CCE preservation program for support of Board and Care facilities.</li> <li>Submit application for PLHA Round 4.</li> </ul>
OBJECTIVES		
 <b>Homelessness</b>		
 <b>Increase availability of rental and mortgage assistance funding to prevent individuals and families from slipping into homelessness and implement a CoC-wide diversion strategy</b> Homeless Plan 2024	Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rental Assistance through the CalWORKS Housing Support Program (HSP) is dispersed through a contract with Connecting Point. HSP funds have been leveraged with other available housing funds through the Continuum of Care (CoC) and other sources. CalWORKS continues to contract with Connecting Point to leverage the Family Stabilization Program funds.</li> <li>HMIS administrator created a "prevention by-name list" of individuals that are at risk of homelessness. A process to work the list needs to be identified. The list is currently being used in a minimal capacity.</li> <li>Nevada County continues to identify funding for prevention assistance; however, state budget cuts may significantly affect programs.</li> </ul>	<b>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a process to identify low vulnerability individuals quickly and to quickly refer individuals at risk of homelessness to housing services as a first step in preventing homelessness.</li> <li>Develop a process to process individuals at risk of homelessness on the prevention by-name list.</li> <li>Identify and apply for additional funding for rental assistance as it becomes available.</li> </ul>

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 <p><b>Expand services and housing opportunities to transition aged youth and families with children to prevent entry into the adult homeless system and long-term homelessness.</b> Homeless Plan 2024</p>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The CoC Youth Committee met and outlined activities to benefit homeless youth. The CoC and the County are collaborating to disburse youth set aside funding allocated to the County through the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program; projects selected will be in line with goals for youth outlined in the Homeless Action Plan. Providers have been selected and contracts are in process.</li> <li>• The Early Psychosis Intervention (EPI) Program with UC Davis has officially launched and referrals are ongoing.</li> <li>• The Rapid Response Team (RRT) meets daily with the Review Evaluate Determine Team consisting of the Child Welfare Services (CWS) Emergency Response team to decide the pathway of CWS referrals. RRT has had success engaging families and as of Quarter 1, over 82% of families who successfully close with RRT do not have a repeat investigation in a year or more following referral, preventing out of home placements.</li> <li>• As of Quarter 1, 70% of children aged 0-5 involved with Child Welfare were receiving behavioral health services. This is a very successful and significant increase over 2 years and is no longer considered a gap in services.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor progress towards Homeless Plan goals for youth providers in receipt of HHAP youth set aside funding.</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Strengthen housing focused case management and post housing supportive services</b> Homeless Plan 2024</p>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Post Housing Support Team has been in place since 2022 providing 3 FTE of staff to augment Behavioral Health case management at AMI leased, owned, and operated scattered site housing. The team provides another layer of supportive services for clients residing in PSH and other program housing. To date, the team has provided services to 90 households across 81 units. In this time, only 3 tenants have had to be evicted or otherwise removed from the units. Housing retention rates have been very high since the inception of this program.</li> <li>• Established policies and procedures and have defined roles and responsibilities between primary BH case management and the Post housing Team. Partners meet weekly to discuss supportive housing needs and strategies for filling vacancies and coordinate entry into the program.</li> <li>• Since the Post Housing Team was created in 2022 and with the completion of Ranch House in September of 2024, 35 units of permanent supportive housing will have been created all of which receive post housing services through the combined efforts of the post housing team and existing BH case management staff.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seek award of Round 3 PLHA competitive funds to two support 2 years of the teams staffing.</li> <li>• Identify a sustainable funding source for a successful post-housing program.</li> <li>• Locate funding source for renovation of the Badger Lane project to add up to 7 more PSH units.</li> <li>• Regional Housing Authority will apply for CTAC funding in Spring 2024 for the Pacific Crest Commons Project.</li> </ul>





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 <b>Expand year-round shelter capacity</b> Homeless Plan 2024	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Youth Committee in the CoC met and outlined activities to benefit youth in the homeless response system. The CoC has chosen projects for funding for the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program youth set aside funds; projects selected will be in line with goals for youth outlined in the Homeless Action Plan and activities identified by the Youth Committee.</li> <li>Funding for low barrier shelter has shifted to the CoC and will become part of the CoC programming. New models for emergency weather sheltering in the Nevada City, Truckee, and North San Juan areas are being explored for the 24/25 winter season.</li> <li>Continued to contract with Community Beyond Violence for domestic violence shelter services.</li> <li>Continued to provide family housing and shelter options through the CalWORKS Housing Support Program (HSP).</li> <li>Nevada County received \$3.6 million dollars in funding to create 30 beds of transitional housing through the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Program; funds have been contracted to Hospitality House and the project is in process of implementation.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with Nevada City, the Town of Truckee and stakeholders, and North San Juan to understand the needs for emergency weather shelter and release a Request for Proposal for providers to deliver shelter to residents in these areas.</li> <li>Continue to consider options for expanding family shelter.</li> </ul>
 <b>Expand and strengthen non-congregant, navigation-based, interim housing options</b> Homeless Plan 2024	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <p>Nevada County Behavioral Health and Housing and Community Services continually consider funding and project options to strengthen non-congregate, navigation based, interim housing options. In this ongoing process, many successes are recognized:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Behavioral Health has secured \$3.6 million in funding over 3 years to expand interim and non-congregate shelter, successfully leveraging funds to expand shelter and reduce unsheltered homelessness.</li> <li>Integration of congregate and non-congregate operations has been successful through continued support of hotel rooms for medically vulnerable people in the community, increased capacity in the shelter through opening of Brunswick Commons and the conversion of Empire Mine Courtyards to permanent housing, and the support of 20 bed units at Sierra Guest Home. Sierra Guest Home is currently converting to permanent housing with recuperative care and services to align with CalAIM funding; pre-development on the Sierra Guest Home conversion has begun through PLHA funding from the County.</li> <li>All contracted providers are required to capture data on anyone entering the homeless response system and the Housing Resource Teams (HRT) and coordinated entry actively work to refine, update, and ensure accuracy of all people on the By-Name List. We have achieved the quality data marker, and the Built for Zero Data portal is real-time.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with Connecting Point and HMIS administrator to develop a process to quickly identify newly homeless people and connect them to services.</li> </ul>

Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
 <p><b>Support system wide improvement to data collection measures, collaboration on funding opportunities, and implementation of the County-CoC joint strategic plan</b> Homeless Plan 2024</p>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data quality standards are implemented into all service provider and data provider contracts. Achieved quality By-Name data. Built for Zero metrics are tracked and reported through the HMIS administrator and in ClearPoint and a reporting mechanism as a function of the CoC has been developed. The CoC is implementing a Data Evaluation Committee to address data quality and performance measures for homeless service providers.</li> <li>• The CoC score given by HUD score has been raised from previous years but is still slightly below median. The score affects the CoC's ability to compete for federal funding. The Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS) implemented a method of engaging service providers on the application questionnaire. To address HUD recommended improvement to the coordinated entry system, the CoC implemented a direct referral process, an inactive policy, and mandatory data quality standards.</li> <li>• Homeless Action Plan was created in collaboration between County and CoC and outlines shared goals and priorities through 2024. The Plan identifies disparities among subpopulations found through HMIS and the coordinated entry system. Measurable goals were developed to address these disparities. Specific policies to address disparities and contracted deliverables need to be developed. The CoC is now administering HHAP funding tied to the shared goals and will be working to include performance measures related to the goals in provider contracts.</li> <li>• The 2024 PIT count was conducted.</li> <li>• An executive director for the CoC was hired to increase administrative capacity within the CoC. Working with the Executive Director of the CoC, Built for Zero has been brought in as a financial partner with \$375,000 in funds committed to add capacity, align systems, create coordinated entry processes, and maintain functional zero.</li> </ul>	
 <p><b>Strengthen the coordinated multi-disciplinary case conferencing team (Homeless Resource Team)</b> Homeless Plan 2024</p>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multiple Housing Resource Teams (HRT) spanning Truckee, Veterans, Families, and Chronic Homeless have been implemented. Information is tracked through the coordinated entry system and all Housing Resource Teams have access. The Built for Zero dashboard is accurate according to the By-Name list and reflects subpopulation for chronic and veterans.</li> </ul>	




Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
 <p><b>Continue to support and strengthen outreach, engagement, and case management</b> Homeless Plan 2024</p>	<p>Highlights from Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With the ending of the SAMHSA GBHI grant that supported 5-years of the HOME team staffing, Hospitality House was contracted through Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) grant funds to ensure no net loss of outreach and case management at Hospitality House. BHBH is providing 30 new beds to serve as interim “bridge” housing for chronically homeless individuals with serious mental illness and substance use disorders. The goal of the funding is to bridge temporary and interim shelter to permanent, sustainable housing. In total, the program aims to serve approximately 150-200 individuals through 2027. The BHBH program began providing services, including interim housing and case management services, in December of 2023, providing temporary housing to 32 unduplicated individuals, totaling 763 occupied bed nights within the month. Housing navigation services were provided to program participants, leading to 2 participants exiting the program for permanent housing opportunities.</li> <li>• The ECM Team remains fully staffed through this quarter and provided case management to 250 individuals in 2023. ECM Team services were supported by a second round of awarded IPP (Incentive Program Plan) funding. Through the BHBH program, the Enhanced Care Management (ECM) team also supports connecting vulnerable individuals who are justice-involved to housing and case management services upon release from incarceration.</li> <li>• The position of Forensic Liaison has been filled and is fully operational, providing substance use disorder and Mental Health screenings in the jail, and providing clients leaving incarceration with resources and housing support upon re-entry into the community.</li> <li>• Planning to use the new day center operation as a service location for clients in need of Public Defender and Probation services. Center will be open and operational by the end of 2024.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July through September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to utilize outreach and collaboration with the BHBH Team to reach vulnerable Nevada County residents where they're at and bring them into services and shelter.</li> <li>• Utilize the day center as a central hub for operations and outreach between ECM and BHBH Team to implement and expand interim housing operations for serving unsheltered clients.</li> <li>• Complete the Commons Resource Center in order to provide a wider array of day resources services aimed at linking those who utilize the service to permanent housing.</li> </ul>




## Initiative Details



Board of Supervisors 2024


Initiatives	Progress Update	Next Steps
OBJECTIVES		
 <b>Recreation</b>		
 <b>Finalize and approve the Nevada County Recreation and Resiliency Master Plan.</b>	<p><u>Highlights for Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed final engagement window that included community conversations, virtual Q&amp;A, a public survey, advertisements countywide and stakeholder meetings; and</li> <li>Presented the final draft Recreation &amp; Resiliency Master Plan (Plan) to the Board of Supervisors on May 28th which was adopted and approved.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Close out the contract with Design Workshop and publish the final plan and storymap on the County website;</li> <li>Submit final report to Sierra Nevada Conservancy for reimbursement of project grant funds;</li> <li>Initiate up to \$50,000 in grant writer contracts to advance priority projects for targeted opportunities outlined in the Plan; and</li> <li>Host regular meetings and presentations with community groups of the final Plan to build momentum and support for various projects and next step recommendations.</li> </ul>
 <b>Promote health and safety at river crossings, lakes, trailheads, and other high-use or high-risk areas.</b>	<p><u>Highlights for Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Met with Cascade Shores Homeowners Association and Nevada County Consolidated Fire District to assess opportunities for improvements to Station 81 and alignment with Recreation &amp; Resiliency Master Plan strategies;</li> <li>Submitted final documentation to the California Department of Fish &amp; Wildlife ("CDFW") Boating Access program for the Truckee River - Glenshire Road project;</li> <li>Reviewed Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund round 1 and 2 project progress reports and closed out completed projects;</li> <li>Extended contract with Truckee Trails Foundation to provide trash collection and portable toilets on Donner Summit through the 2025 peak season (May - October 2025);</li> <li>Secured a roadside changeable message sign for safety and visitor intercept messaging; and</li> <li>Developed and launched Visitor Intercept Campaign in early May, in coordination with the South Yuba River Public Safety Cohort ("Cohort"), that included 7 topic-specific PSA videos, printed materials, signage and coordinated messaging plan.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue PSA campaign through October on river and visitor safety;</li> <li>Continue to review Outdoor Visitor Safety Fund round 1 and 2 project progress reports and support projects, as needed;</li> <li>Finalize and encumber ARPA-funded contractors to support sustainable recreation and visitor intercept campaign and Recreation Outpost installation at the Rood Center; and</li> <li>Finalize charter agreement with members of the Cohort.</li> </ul>
 <b>Enhance recreation access, health and safety, economic development, and resource conservation.</b>	<p><u>Highlights for Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attended low-intensity camping webinar hosted by the California State Association of Counties, with findings shared with a staff working group exploring policy implications for Nevada County;</li> <li>Attended Pines to Mines Trail stakeholder meeting, hosted by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) to develop an implementation plan outlining construction cost, timeline, grant and funding opportunities, with a work group formed that will meet every two months;</li> <li>Convened monthly working group for the annual <i>Heart of Gold Gravel Race and Festival</i>; the contract with event producer Bike Monkey was executed, with sponsorship and marketing efforts underway; and</li> <li>Hosted a trail workday with county staff to assist with maintenance and clean up of Hirschman Trail in Nevada City.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outline workplan for the historic California Trail route and roadside signage with the National Park Service and county's Department of Public Works;</li> <li>Convene Donner Summit stakeholders to advance Soda Springs area plan and proposed west hub visitor center concept; and</li> <li>Begin analysis of low-intensity camping ordinances.</li> </ul>





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 <b>Support capacity and sustainability of Western Nevada County organized recreation.</b>	<p><u>Highlights for Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hosted meetings with Western Nevada County recreation and park districts ("RPD") to review draft Master Plan with consultants from Design Workshop;</li> <li>• Distributed surveys for each RPD to receive public input on desired service levels and program/event offerings; and</li> <li>• Corresponded with Western Gateway Recreation and Park District on ways to support grant awards, project management and additional needs from the County, with discussions continuing.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitate the Nevada County Recreation Coalition meeting with a focused discussion on Recreation &amp; Resiliency Master Plan focus areas;</li> <li>• Develop project scope and estimates for improvements to Oak Tree Community Park to submit to the Prop 64 funding program, as identified in the Recreation &amp; Resiliency Master Plan; and</li> <li>• Convene follow up meeting with Western Gateway RPD; determine if a gap loan request and agreement is desired by Western Gateway RPD to support project cashflow for reimbursable Per Capita and Rural Recreation and Tourism grants.</li> </ul>
 <b>Identify funding mechanisms and act on advocacy priorities to sustain recreation.</b>	<p><u>Highlights for Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received the 2024 "Best in Category - Parks &amp; Recreation" Award by the National Association of Counties for collaborative solutions by the County/partners to address <i>Visitor Safety and Outdoor Recreation Management</i>;</li> <li>• Staff presented at the National Outdoor Recreation Conference and provided case studies on recreation and resiliency projects and the Plan in development;</li> <li>• Submitted an application to the Innovative Finance for National Forests program, with Quantified Ventures and the U.S. Forest Service, to conduct a feasibility study and financial modeling for recreation and resiliency projects;</li> <li>• Received notice that the FY25-FY26 federal earmark requests for (1) Van Norden Meadow restoration and recreation actions and (2) adaptive management planning for the South Yuba River corridor were submitted by Senator Padilla for consideration;</li> <li>• Met with the CA Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) to evaluate recreation and resiliency projects for submission to the Public Access Program;</li> <li>• Began work with Facilities staff for design and engineering scope of the Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District (NSAQMD) grant funded project to improve trail connectivity, wayfinding and signage at the Rood Center; and</li> <li>• Brought forward two proclamations approved by the Board of Supervisors to celebrate and promote benefits of recreation in Nevada County: "Bike Month" (May) and "Celebration of Trails Month" (June).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit pre-applications to WCB for the Van Norden Restoration and Recreation project and South Yuba River Management Plan;</li> <li>• Continue management of the scope of work for the NSAQMD grant project, to be completed by December 2024; and</li> <li>• Await notice for various submitted grant applications and determine next steps.</li> </ul>
 <b>Staff recreation collaborative(s) to promote countywide coordination.</b>	<p><u>Highlights for Q2 (April - June 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed FY24-25 budget, which was adopted by the Board on June 25th;</li> <li>• Convened monthly meetings with South Yuba River Public Safety Cohort and Convene, Champion, and Catalyze collaboratives;</li> <li>• Launched Nevada County Recreation quarterly newsletter and increased frequency of Nevada County Recreation Coalition to quarterly;</li> <li>• Launched Nevada County Recreation Open House with Coalition members, as part of Health, Safety &amp; Wildfire Preparedness Carnival at the Rood Center - unfortunately the event was cancelled due to rain;</li> <li>• Continued Recreation and Resiliency Internship program; and</li> <li>• Supported Climate Resilience and Economic Development objectives and shared priorities.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue convening monthly collaboratives and grant strategy sessions;</li> <li>• Support Climate Resilience and Economic Development objectives and shared priorities.</li> </ul>

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 <b>Climate Resilience</b>		
 <b>Community Coordination</b>	<p><b>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nevada County's <b>Energy Action Plan (EAP)</b> community workgroup convened monthly with County staff support, furthering initiatives including public education and pilot project planning to connect income-eligible residents with energy saving benefits. Additionally, worked with members of the EAP community workgroup to provide feedback on Pathway Document on strategies to advance the EAP.</li> <li>Secured funding through the RRGP Grant to <b>develop Western County Climate Collaborative</b> and began to identify key stakeholders.</li> <li>Secured funding to support and sustain the operations of the existing <b>Climate Transformation Alliance (CTA)</b> in eastern Nevada County.</li> <li>Secured funding through the RRGP Grant to <b>Enhance the Capacity of the Nisenan Tribe</b> within the climate resiliency space.</li> <li><b>Earth Day:</b> County staff organized a large presence at the Nevada City Earth Fest to share information and guidance on energy saving tools, the approaching organic waste composting program, and opportunities to engage in the upcoming Climate Action, Adaptation, and Resiliency Plan.</li> <li><b>Launched Dark Skies Initiative</b> to promote turning off lights at night which lowers light pollution and reduces overall energy usage by residents and businesses.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Convene planning meetings with the identified stakeholders for the development of the Western Nevada County Climate Collaborative</li> <li>Continue our participation with the Climate Transformation Alliance</li> <li>Work in partnership with CRMT to improve County sustainable practices</li> <li>Promote workforce capacity – energy auditors and heat pump installation</li> </ul>
 <b>Climate Strategic Plan</b>	<p>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secured \$200,000 in funding from the Regional Resilience Grant Program specifically for the development of the Nevada County Climate Action and Adaptation &amp; Resiliency Plan "CAARP"</li> <li>Began work with Sierra Nevada Energy Watch (SNEW) for calculating a community-wide and County operations baseline inventory of greenhouse gas emissions, including the launch of an employee commute survey for County staff.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop the scope of work for the Request for Proposals (RFP) to support the development of the CAARP by a consultant; the RFP is anticipated for release by mid-summer</li> <li>Complete County Policy Inventory and Gap Analysis</li> </ul>

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 <b>Harden Critical Infrastructure</b>	<p>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nevada County Zero Emission Vehicle Transition Draft Plan was presented to the Nevada County Board of Supervisors on May 14, 2024. In April 2023, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) adopted the Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) regulation, which requires all California municipalities to gradually transition their medium heavy-duty (MHD) fleets to zero-emission technologies, and in response to these regulations, the Nevada County Transportation Commission (NCTC) contracted with Frontier Energy, who collaborated with Momentum, DKS Associates, and Sugarpine Engineering to develop the draft plan to address the complexities of fleet transition and infrastructure development for the County. The final plan will be brought before the Board of Supervisors in late June.</li> <li>Phase 1 of Electric Bus Charging Station Project, NCOC is complete. Two 35ft battery electric buses have been purchased and received, and a Chargepoint Express Plus 150 DC Fast Charger has been installed. Phase 2 is in development.</li> <li>Utilized WaterBoard grant monies to partner with Stantec on the development of the Nevada County Drought Resiliency Plan. Currently bringing together relevant stakeholders both internally and externally to form the Drought Resilience Task Force.</li> <li>Note: Climate-aligned progress related to Broadband and Emergency Preparedness is not duplicated; please see those objectives.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore strategies / partnerships with NID on water infrastructure</li> <li>Communicate existing programs and opportunities (Project GO) with Nevada County residents</li> <li>Connect and identify incentives for building electrification and decarbonization / Connect SNEW resources with existing businesses</li> <li>Enhance and expand ZEV infrastructure at Nevada County Facilities, including undertaking an FRP for electrical and civil engineering for five Level 3 DC Fast chargers at the Nevada County Operations Center as well as the addition of inground induction chargers at the Tinloy Transit Center</li> </ul>
 <b>Enhance Carbon Storage and Sequestration</b>	<p>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entered into an MOU with the City of Nevada City to establish roles and responsibilities with the County to implement SB1383 regulations across the jurisdictions.</li> <li>Nevada County Agricultural Commissioner and Economic Development Program Manager are participating in Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) Program implementation in partnership with Nevada County Resource Conservation District.</li> <li>In March of 2024 PG&amp;E approached Nevada County Consolidated Fire District and Nevada County Information and General Services Agency (IGS) to partner on a local biomass pilot project. PG&amp;E is interested in developing and testing local solutions to green waste disposal that is more efficient and environmentally friendly compared with their current local practice of chipping and hauling the green waste out of county. Nevada County IGS and OES are exploring a small-scale biomass pilot project.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with Kimberly Parker and Economic Development to identify workforce development opportunities within forest health / Connect with Alliance for Workforce Development and Sierra College around workforce opportunities</li> <li>Explore strategies to support local farmers and ranchers with local food production</li> <li>Monitor opportunities through CARB's upcoming scoping plans</li> <li>Further explore Biomass Pilot project with a goal of implementing a one-season green waste processing test. The pilot project will be located on Nevada County's La Barr Meadows Road property. Earth Foundries will operate one to two Tigercat Carbonizer biomass processing systems for an approximate November 2024 to May 2025 period, processing locally generated biomass.</li> </ul>

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 <b>Funding and Advocacy</b>	<p>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board of Supervisors approved and accepted the receipt of \$650,000 from the Regional Resilience Grant Program for Building Climate Resilience in the Sierra Nevada. Nevada County served as the lead applicant however, the proposal was developed in partnership with Sierra Business Council and CHIRP and the funds will be used to develop Nevada County's Climate Action and Adaptation &amp; Resiliency Plan as well as the form a climate collaborative in Western Nevada County, support the continued operations of the Climate Transformation Alliance in Eastern Nevada County, and expand the capacity of the Nisenan Tribe in regional climate resiliency work.</li> <li>• Submitted over \$6 million in Transportation and Natural &amp; Working Lands (climate) resiliency projects as part of Capital Regional "Going Beyond Green: Cultivating Community, Connections, &amp; Crops" application to the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program, led by Sacramento Air Quality Management District;</li> <li>• Awarded \$10 million by Strategic Growth Council's Community Resilience Program to upgrade our Veterans Halls to serve our most vulnerable rural populations, and the community as a whole, as we face increasing climate-related disasters and extreme heat.</li> <li>• Awarded \$125,000 from the County Drought Resilience Planning Grant Program to pay for expenses related to the development of a Nevada County Drought Resilience Plan as well as the creation of a drought resiliency task force.</li> <li>• Received notice that Federal Earmark Requests were submitted for funding consideration by the Offices of Congressman Kevin Kiley, Senator Alex Padilla, and Senator Laphonza Butler for the Van Norden Meadow Restoration &amp; Recreation Project, South Yuba River Management Plan, and Charging Infrastructure for Nevada County Transit's E-Buses.</li> <li>• Awarded and accepted \$182,132 grant from the CalRecycle Grant Program for the implementation of SB1383.</li> <li>• In partnership with Nevada County Resource Conservation District, submitted proposal for Adaptation Planning Grant Program (APGP). The monies will be used to fund an update to the County's Safety Element in order to incorporate the most recent Local Hazard Mitigation Plan ("LHMP") and Community Wildfire Protection Plan ("CWPP") and align with ongoing adaptation efforts currently underway with the County's Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan ("CARP") and Agricultural Working Landscape Conservation Plan ("AWLCP") which are currently under development. The project includes a countywide assessment of hazards identified in the LHMP, which will include environmental justice and climate change impacts identified in the CARP and AWLCP. The intent of the Safety Element update is to incorporate recent data driven hazard analyses and align ongoing planning efforts related to climate adaptation and resilience to create equitable policies that avoid or reduce risks from hazards.</li> <li>• Applied for funding from FTA 5339(c) Low-No Bus Grant Program to secure funding for the purchase of three 35ft diesel electric hybrid and three 35t battery electric transit to continue our transition to a zero-emission fleet while also providing for low-emission conventional vehicles to ensure we are capable of meeting operational needs.</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refine Grants Plan - Identify upcoming State and Federal funding opportunities and submit applications where opportunities align with goals, objectives, and partnerships</li> <li>• Engage in advocacy opportunities which align with County priorities</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nevada County Public Health and 211 Connecting Point submitted proposal for the Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Grant Program to create a Nevada County Heat Resiliency Coalition that will address the impact of high heat events across the county by using data and information to identify those populations and individuals most vulnerable to heat events in order to reduce death and disability.</li> <li>Attended Sierra Day at the Capitol, organized by the Sierra Fund, Sierra Business Council and Sierra Nevada Alliance, to promote Sierra Nevada Watershed-wide priorities alongside agency and community partners in support of climate priorities</li> </ul>	
 <b>Public Health</b>	<p>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2024, we amended and updated the initiatives associated with the implementation of the Climate Resilience Objective which included making Public Health a Key Initiative related to the objective. The initiative will focus on the impacts of extreme heat events, air quality, and fire/smoke as issues to communicate on to public.</li> <li>Accumulating educational resources from CDPH and other cities and counties focused on preparing the public for future health effects of climate events</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing messaging and education program</li> <li>Exploring partnership with Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital on shared messaging related to climate-related health issues</li> </ul>
 <b>Promote Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, and Storage Capabilities</b>	<p>Highlights for Q2 (April-June 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working in partnership with Project GO to enhance access to energy efficiency resources for income eligible residents</li> <li>Developing community focused presentation to inform realtors, HOAs, and residents of low commitment, high return energy saving strategies.</li> <li>Developing curriculum in partnership with EAP and Sierra College around energy auditing and contractor work</li> </ul>	<p>Plans for Q3 (July - September 2024) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Long-term planning for communications</li> <li>Collaborating with NCERC on workforce development curriculum</li> <li>Additional outreach and communications around Project Go</li> </ul>