# **SAFETY NET PROVIDER UPDATE**

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hat exactly is a safety net? Merriam-Webster defines "safety net" as something that provides security against misfortune or difficulty. It seems like we often don't think about a safety net until the needs of a community begin to demand that we pay attention to the strength of that net.

The good news is that for over 30 years, the Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee has kept a close watch on this important group of nonprofit organizations and public agency programs. Over the years we have supported the convening of more than 45 different partners, tracked data collectively and collaborated on strategy to create systemic change for our community of North Lake Tahoe - Truckee.

This amazing group of nonprofit leaders and public servants make-up the fabric of our safety net services. We seek grants together, share resources and serve the individuals and families in our community. As we all know, these times have been incredibly challenging with untold stresses and increased needs. Our CCTT Partners have navigated the increased demand for their services and risen to the occasion. The many years of working together on collaborative strategy has created the ability to support each other and alian efforts to serve.

As part of the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation, I am proud to see our donors' generosity to support this important collection of organizations. Together, we have invested more than \$2 million in stabilizing, strengthening and scaling the work of our safety net.

Sincerely, Alison Schwedner, Director Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee



# **OUR MISSION**

The Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee (CCTT), a program of the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation (TTCF), is comprised of over 45 health, education, and social service organizations and coalitions who have worked together for over 20 years to address the complex issues and fundamental needs of community members in North Tahoe-Truckee. The Collaborative seeks to understand the stories of our local people, and we root our work in the power of data to inform our leaders and drive results."

# **OUR PARTNERS**

Adventure Risk Challenge

Aim High

Alta Regional

**AMI** Housing

Arts in Wellness

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Northern Sierra

Boys & Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe

Child Advocates of Nevada County

Connecting Point 211

Excellence in Education

Foothills Truckee Healthy Babies

For Goodness Sake

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Gateway Mountain Center

Girls on the Run – Sierras

Granite Wellness Centers

KidZCommunity Head Start

KidZone Museum

Mental Health America of Northern California

Mercy Housing/ Riverside Homes

Nevada County Human Services Agency

North Tahoe-Truckee Homeless Services

Placer County Health and Human Services

Placer County Network of Care

Placer County Office of Education

Placer County Sheriff's Office

Read Up

Sierra Agape

Sierra College

Sierra Community House

Sierra Mental Wellness Group

Sierra Nevada Children's Services

Sierra Senior Services

Sierra Teen Education Parenting Program

SOS Outreach

State of California, Department of Vocational Rehab

Tahoe Forest Health System

Tahoe Truckee Unified School District

Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation

Truckee N. Tahoe Transportation Management Agency

Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church

Truckee Police Department

UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center

Uplift Family Services

Victor Community Support Services

Western Sierra Medical Clinic

#### **COALITIONS**

Communities 4 Kids

Tahoe Truckee Future Without Drug Dependence

Tahoe Truckee Perinatal Outreach Team

Tahoe Truckee Reads

Tahoe Truckee Suicide
Prevention Coalition

United for Action



# HOUSING STABILITY

Housing instability continues to rise as our workforce cannot keep up with home prices. Evictions and homeless supports have become a health imperative for our community.



**+29%** increase in housing prices

~ Tahoe Sierra Board of Realtors



\$745,000-\$1,055,000

Median home price in North Shore/ Truckee region ~ Tahoe Sierra Board of Realtors



**291** Families seeking rental assistance ~ Sierra Community House



\$455,000 provided in rental assistance

~ Sierra Community House



**200+** homeless overnight stays since November

~North Tahoe - Truckee Homeless Services



# **HUNGER SECURITY**

Hunger relief continues to be a growing need as our workforce flexes to opening and closing businesses during the pandemic. Organizations are seeing an increase in food costs impacting their overall operating budgets.



**200%** increase in need of food support ~ Sierra Community House



**722,000+** meals provided to families ~ Tahoe Truckee Unified School District, Sierra Community House & Sierra Senior Services



**1500+** produce boxes given

~ Tahoe Food Hub

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**95%** first-time in need of food support ~ Tahoe Food Hub



# **WELL-BEING & MENTAL HEALTH**

With so many health issues, instability in our lives and uncertainty, our community is seeing rising needs in supportive services for mental health and substance abuse. Our counties have seen an increase in suicidal ideation and accidental overdoses. Our school district reports that our youth are experiencing heightened anxiety, isolation and lack of motivation. Nonprofit organizations are meeting the demand to help keep people safe and manage through crisis.



**200%** increase in crisis helpline calls ~ Sierra Community House



**300%** increase in referrals for adults to outpatient, substance abuse programs ~ Granite Wellness Center



**1200+** hours of tailored mentoring and therapy services provided to our youth

~ Gateway Mountain Center

