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STATE OF THE
COUNTY

Carmen Ramirez

Chair, Board of Supervisors
District 5, 2021—2022



MOMENT OF SILENCE





BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



District 1
Supervisor
Matt LaVere



District 2
Supervisor
Linda Parks



District 3
Supervisor
Kelly Long



District 4
Supervisor
Bob Huber



District 5
Supervisor
Vianey Lopez



COUNTY SUPERVISORS ELECT



District 2
Supervisor Elect
Jeff Gorell



District 4
Supervisor Elect
Janice Parvin



COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS



Auditor-
Controller
Jeff Burgh



Clerk-Recorder
Registrar of
Voters
Mark Lunn



Sheriff
Bill Ayub



Assessor
Dan Goodwin



District Attorney
Erik Nasarenko



Treasurer-Tax
Collector
Steven Hintz



NEW COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS



County Clerk-Recorder
Registrar of Voters Elect
Michelle Ascencion



Sheriff Elect
Jim Fryhoff



Assessor Elect
Keith Taylor



Treasurer-Tax Collector Elect
Sue Horgan



County Executive Officer

Sevet Johnson, PsyD





COUNTY OF VENTURA

26 AGENCIES | 10,000+ EMPLOYEES

- Agricultural Commissioner
 - Air Pollution Control District
 - Airports
 - Animal Services
 - Area Agency on Aging
 - Assessor's Office
 - Auditor-Controller
 - Child Support Services
 - Clerk-Recorder & Registrar of Voters
 - County Counsel
 - County Executive Office
 - District Attorney
 - Fire Protection District
 - General Services Agency
 - Harbor Department
 - Health Care Agency
 - Human Services Agency
 - Information Technology
 - Libraries
 - Medical Examiners Office
 - Probation Agency
 - Public Defender
 - Public Works Agency
 - Resource Management Agency
 - Sheriff's Office
 - Treasurer-Tax Collector
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Dream jobs near me



COUNTY of VENTURA

Apply for open positions at
www.ventura.org/jobs.



SECOND LARGEST EMPLOYER

10,000+ EMPLOYEES



AAA BOND RATING

FISCAL STABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY

- Highest Ratings Reaffirmed
- Reserves Increased to Highest Level
 - Rainy Day: \$160M
- Strong Financial Position

AAA Bond Rating

STANDARD
& POOR'S

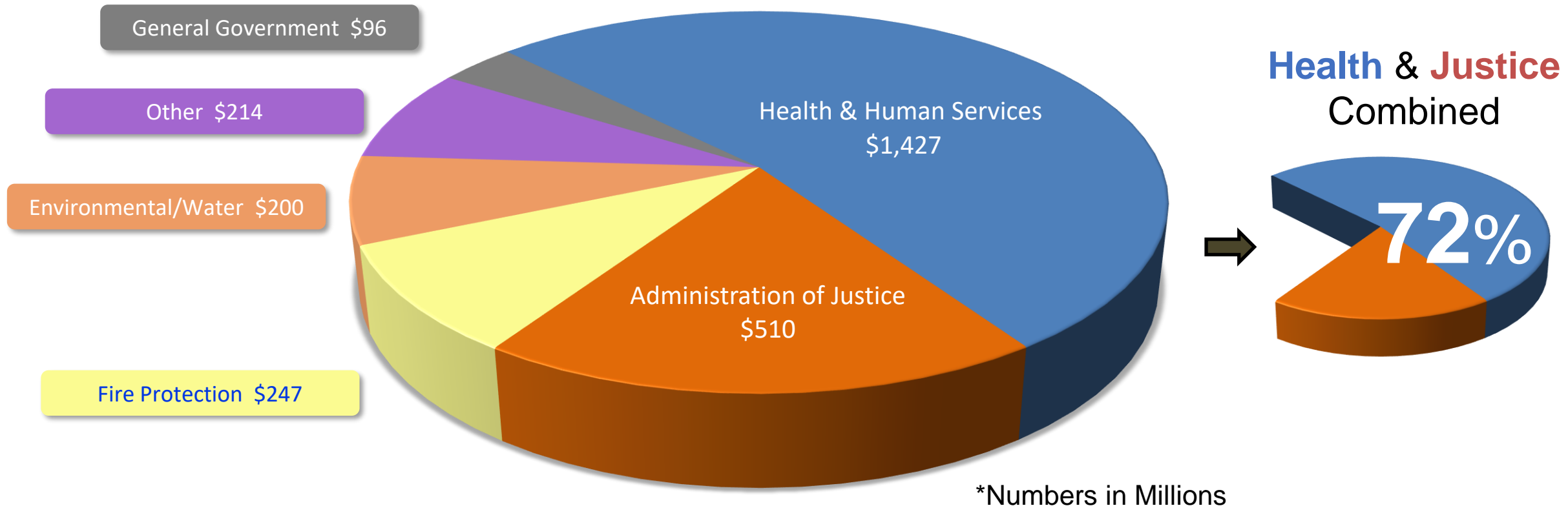
MOODY'S

Highest Rating Reaffirmed





FY 2022-23 Budget \$2.7 Billion





VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF



- For 149 years, the Ventura County Sheriff's Office has served the residents of Ventura County.
- VCSO patrols 95% of the geographic area of the County of Ventura and provides public safety services to 55% of the population
- The agency consists of 1,293 Employee positions
- Budget for FY23 - \$312 million



VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF



New Investments

\$27M for capital projects and emergency resources

- 2 New Incident Command Posts
- New Construction on Health & Programming Unit
 - 64 beds for inmates with medical/mental health issues
 - 15 Full-Time Employees
- \$15M for Bell Helicopter for the Sheriff's Air & Rescue Unit



FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

MARCH 2019 TO JUNE 2022

ASSISTED 7,162 VICTIMS





HEALTH CARE AGENCY

CRITICAL CORE SERVICES



- Ventura County Medical Center & Santa Paula Hospital
- 80+ Clinics across the County
- Primary care, specialty, mental health and substance use and public health clinics.
- Emergency Medical Services System



HEALTH CARE AGENCY

HIGHLIGHTS



- Largest Family Physician Residency in the Nation
- **Level II Trauma Center**
- Only Pediatric Oncology Program in Region
- **Pediatric Intensive Care Unit**
- Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital – Crisis Stabilization Unit
- **Formal Partnership with Children's Hospital Los Angeles**
- Surgery – National Surgery Quality Improvement Program (top 10%)
- **NEW - Ronald McDonald Family Room at VCMC**

RONALD MCDONALD FAMILY ROOM

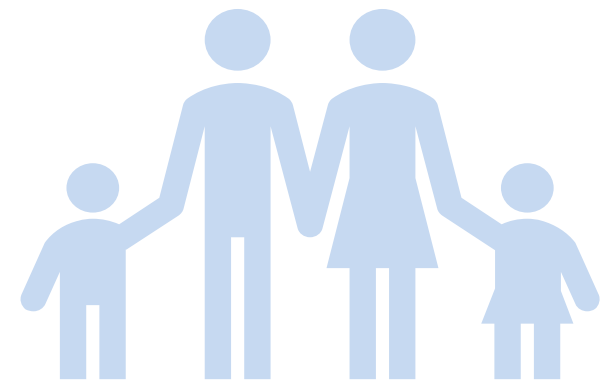




HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

- **Public Assistance Programs**
- **Children and Family Services**
 - Adoption, Child protective services, Youth 16-25 years old
- **Adult and Family Services**
 - Adult protective services, Veteran services, Homeless, Job training, In-home family services
- **Workforce Development**
 - Skills training and worker resources
- **Farmworker Resource Program**

1 in 4 Ventura County Residents Assisted





HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

HIGHLIGHTS

- 8,000+ - Provided In-Home Supportive Services to vulnerable residents
- 255,000+ - Assisted residents obtain Medi-Cal health benefits
- \$17.3 million in compensation and pension claims on behalf of veterans and their families
- \$78 million in state and federal Rent Relief funding
- Responded to 4,712 reports of Adult and Elder Abuse
- 93 Adoptions
- Over 4,000 visitors to America's Job Center

Californians ages 50 or older
may qualify for more
Medi-Cal benefits.



Medi-Cal



COUNTY of VENTURA
Human Services Agency

Contact the Human Services Agency today:
888-472-4463 | vchsa.org/medi-cal



SERVICE EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

LEAN SIX SIGMA

- Over **5,000 staff** certified in Lean Six Sigma
- More than 1,380 Improvements have been implemented through “Kaizen” practices
- **Over \$43 million in savings**
- First county in the nation to implement a Lean Six Sigma program countywide



Automated Invoice Management Kaizen



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

\$164 MILLION

Analyzed 90+
Ideas Equaling
\$278M in
Requests

BOARD PRIORITIES

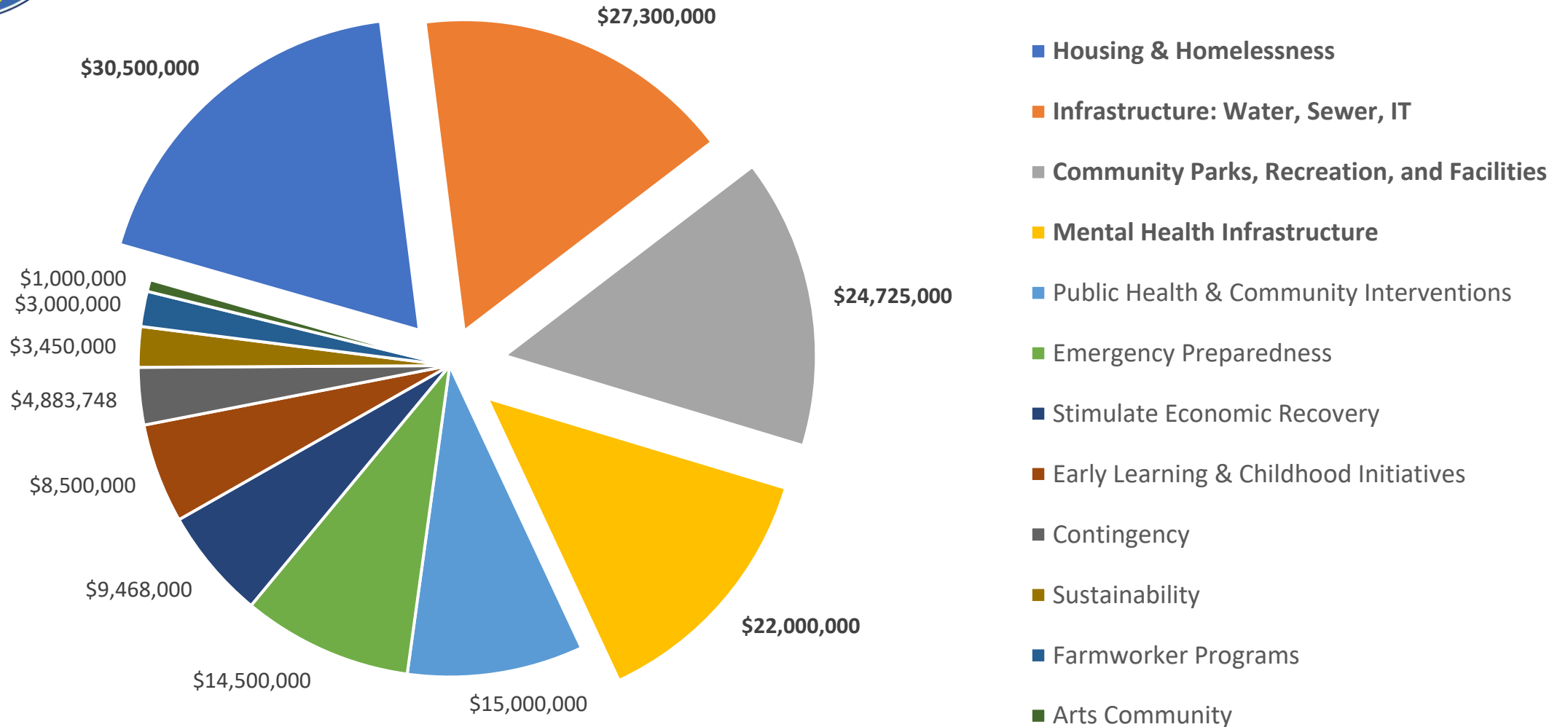
Measured approach, one-time projects, maximize funding

- Economic Recovery
- Public Health & Mental Health
- Homelessness & Housing
- Disadvantaged Communities in the County
- Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness
- Early Learning Initiatives/Childcare
- Infrastructure
- Parks & Recreation Capital Improvements
- Arts Community



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

\$164 MILLION





Key Priorities and Initiatives

STATE OF THE COUNTY 2022

Key Priorities

Climate Action & Sustainability

Equitable and Inclusive Economic Vitality

Mental Health & Wellness

Housing & Homelessness





CLIMATE ACTION AND SUSTAINABILITY

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

81 Strategies to Address:

- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Climate change



Sustainable VC





GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM

PART OF THE CALIFORNIA GREEN BUSINESS NETWORK



GREEN

**CALIFORNIA
GREEN BUSINESS
NETWORK
VENTURA COUNTY**



PUTTING THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN INTO ACTION

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

- Switch to cleaner energy
 - Promote your green business practices
 - Get training on green building performance
 - Discover energy-saving resources
 - Invest in electric vehicles at your home and business
 - Install EV charging stations
 - Get free consulting and job training on green innovations
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Sustainable VC



Economic Vitality

Equitable and Inclusive Recovery



ECONOMIC VITALITY - PARTNERSHIPS

2021 Impact Report

- Businesses Assisted: 1,189
- Jobs created: 136
- Jobs supported: 4,806
- \$790 million low-interest loans
- Woman-owned businesses: 53%
- Hispanic-owned firms: 30%
- Startups: 69
- Total revenues of all firms supported: **\$867 Million**





ECONOMIC VITALITY - PARTNERSHIPS

Port of Hueneme

- Major Economic Engine for the County
- Port Jobs – 95% Live in Ventura County
- \$36 Million in Annual Tax Revenue
- Economic Output is \$2.2 Billion
- #1 West Coast Banana Port
- #4 California Container Port
- #6 US Auto Port
- County is expanding a high-tech incubator through a partnership with Fathomwerx





NEW ECONOMIC INITIATIVES

- Expand Business Assistance and Mentorship
- High-tech Start Up Support
- Childcare Home-based Business
- Business Outreach & Business Forward Website
- Broadband Connections
- Workforce Training
- Creative Economy



VENTURA COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH



WELLSSEVERYDAY.ORG

ACCESS LINE FOR
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES &
MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS LINE
1 - 866 - 998 - 2243

SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE
1 - 800 - 273 - 8255

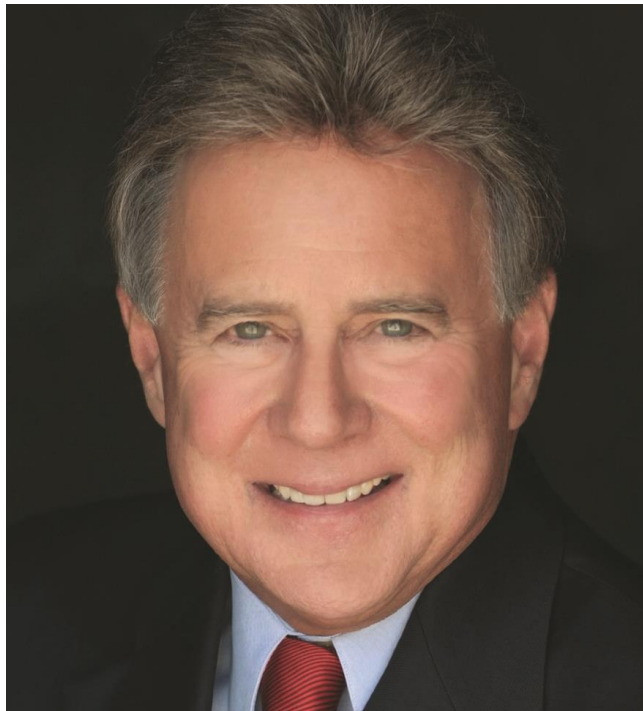


MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS





MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS



“Addressing our community’s mental and behavioral health needs is one of my top priorities. It is a complex and difficult job –for families and for professionals. It is my hope that one day mental and behavioral health services can be as commonplace and robust as our medical services for physical health.”

~ Supervisor Bob Huber

SAFE CHOICES

One-Stop Center
Medical clinic,
food stamps
and more
1-805-652-6694

Help for addiction
Access Line:
1-844-385-9200
Confidential
Toll-free • 24/7

Syringe replacement & fentanyl test strips
1-805-652-6112

Get a Narcan® (naloxone) Rescue Kit
1-805-667-6663
Confidential • Free

Emergency
Call 9-1-1

Suicide Prevention Lifeline
988

2-1-1 Ventura County
Housing, job,
runaway and
other resources
Call 2-1-1
211ventura.org

www.SafeChoicesVC.org

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HIGH SCHOOL WELLNESS CENTERS

CREATING SAFE SPACES FOR PEERS BY PEERS

- Integrated services and unified care
- Prevent mental health needs from progressing
- Reduce impacts on academic success
- Improve access to mental health services
- Create safe and supportive environments
- Expanding to middle schools



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OVER \$22M in NEW INVESTMENTS IN MENTAL HEALTH CONTINUUM

Lewis Road Development

- 80-120-bed Mental Health Rehabilitation Center
- Rancho Sierra Apartments
- Casa Pacifica

East County Crisis Stabilization Unit

Crisis NOW Pilot Program

Opioid Treatment and Prevention

FIGURE IV-1 VISION PLAN





HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS



HOMELESS SUPPORT SYSTEMS

INFLOW

- Prevention & Rapid Re-housing
- Rental Assistance

CRISIS RESPONSE

- Emergency Shelters / Roomkey
- Street & Encampment Outreach

OUTFLOW

- Pathways to Home
- Project Homekey





NEXT STEPS TO ADDRESS HOMELESS

- \$15M Affordable Housing Construction & Loan Capital
- \$7.5M Permanent Supportive Housing
- \$3.16M Project Homekey / Transitional Housing
- \$3M Ventura College Affordable Student Housing Complex
- \$1.2M Mesa Independent Living Tiny Homes
- \$640K Casa Pacifica
- Commissioned study
- Assess & improve current interventions
- Seek legislative support at state and federal level



CONCLUSION

- Sound Financial Stewardship
 - Key Priorities
 - Health and Safety
 - Climate Action & Sustainability
 - Equitable and Inclusive Economic Vitality
 - Mental Health and Wellness
 - Housing and Homelessness
 - Partnerships are Key to Success
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COMING IN 2023

150th Anniversary



DISCUSSION PANEL



Kathy Odell
CEO
Women's Economic Ventures



Dr. César Morales
Superintendent
Ventura County Office of Education



Shawna Morris
CEO
Casa Pacifica Center for Children and Families



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