



YOLO COUNTY
CHILDREN'S
ALLIANCE

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

*Prevention starts
with strong families.*

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES.

PROTECTING CHILDREN.

BUILDING COMMUNITY.



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OUR IMPACT AT A GLANCE

Every number represents a child supported, a family strengthened, and a community made safer and stronger.



6,095+

Total Services Delivered
Across all programs



3,167+

Individuals Served
Families & community members



3,187+

Children Reached
Through direct programs



9+

Languages Spoken
Multilingual staff & services



\$1.2M+

Returned to Families
Via free tax prep (VITA)



2,539+

Home Visits Delivered
CHVP + WB:R2R combined



63,946

Community Members Reached
Child Abuse Prevention Month



560+

Families Safely Housed
22 permanent housing + 538 assisted



Thank you



to our partners, supporters, and community for making this impact possible.

LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



“ *The most powerful thing we can offer a family is the feeling that someone is in their corner.* ”

Dear Friends, Families, and Partners,

I've been doing this work long enough to know that the most powerful thing we can offer a family isn't a program or a resource — it's the feeling that someone is in their corner.

That's what YCCA has been about for more than two decades. We show up for families across Yolo County — not because they're broken, but because navigating complex systems alone is hard for anyone. And no one should have to do it alone.

As Yolo County's designated Child Abuse Prevention Council, we believe deeply that the best way to keep children safe is to strengthen the people and communities around them before a crisis ever occurs.



That means investing in parents, in economic stability, in connection — the everyday things that make families feel steady. Our team brings that belief to life every day.

With staff who speak Spanish, Dari, Farsi, Russian, Pashto and more, we work hard to meet people where they are — in their language, in their community, and on their terms.

The pages ahead are full of numbers, but behind every number is a real person. A parent who found their footing through various resources and support. A family that claimed the Child Tax Credit through our free VITA tax preparation and used it to cover rent and groceries. A child who walked into the first day of school with a backpack full of supplies, ready to learn. Those moments matter — and they add up. Thank you for being part of this community and for believing, like we do, that when families are strong, children thrive.

Jeneba Lahai

Executive Director
Yolo County Children's Alliance

"Prevention isn't about waiting for something to go wrong — it's about showing up before it does, with support, not judgment."

JENEBA LAHAI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WHO WE ARE

Founded more than two decades ago, Yolo County Children's Alliance (YCCA) is Yolo County's designated Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC).

We serve as a trusted connector, navigator, and direct service provider for families across Yolo County—helping them build stability, access resources, and create nurturing environments where children can grow up safe and healthy.



OUR MISSION

YCCA connects families and individuals to resources and support to strengthen communities and protect all children in Yolo County.



OUR VISION

A Yolo County where resilient families are supported by a connected community, enabling children to be happy, healthy, and safe.

OUR CORE VALUES



Accountability

We use resources wisely and hold ourselves accountable to measurable impact



Collaboration

We work in partnership with communities to create shared solutions



Empathy

We lead with compassion and respect in every interaction



Equity

We remove barriers so all families have access to opportunity and support

OUR THEORY OF CHANGE

Everything YCCA does connects back to a simple question: what does this family need to be safe, stable, and strong? Our Theory of Change links every program and service we offer to the long-term outcomes we're working toward with families and with Yolo County. That through-line is the **Strengthening Families Framework** — a nationally recognized, **evidence-based model** built around five protective factors that research shows reduce the risk of child abuse and neglect:



PARENTAL RESILIENCE

The ability of parents to manage stress & cope with challenges.



SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

Relationships with family, friends, neighbors, & community members that reduce isolation.



CONCRETE SUPPORT IN TIMES OF NEED

Access to the tangible resources families need when they're struggling.



KNOWLEDGE OF PARENTING & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Understanding what children need at each stage & how to support them.



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL COMPETENCE OF CHILDREN

The ability of children to understand & manage emotions & build healthy relationships.

These 5 factors run through every program in this report — from a home visit with a new parent to a food voucher handed to a family in crisis. **They are not abstract goals.** They are the practical levers we pull, every day, to help families become more resilient than the challenges they face.

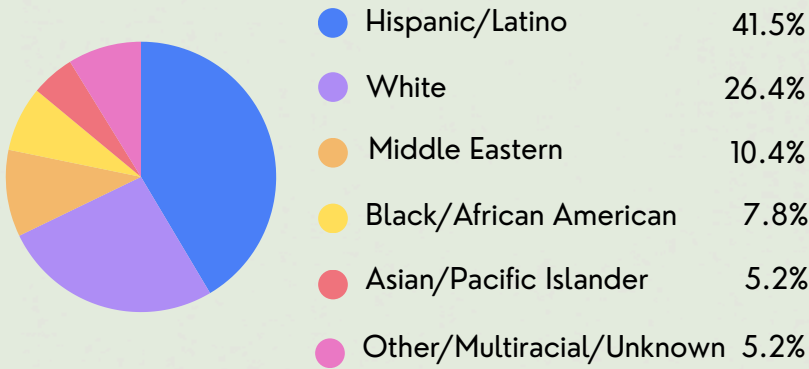


WHO WE SERVED IN 2025

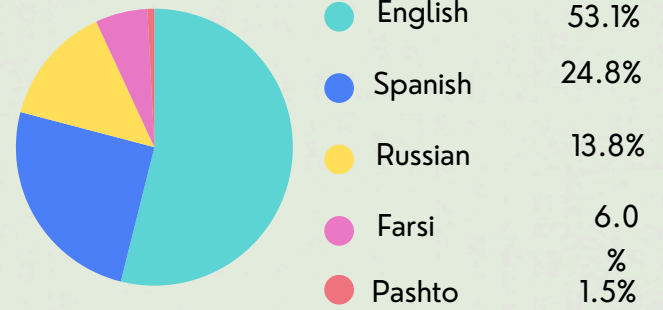
YCCA serves families across Yolo County facing economic hardship, housing instability, and systemic barriers to health and opportunity. Our programs are designed to meet families wherever they are — spanning pregnancy through early childhood, school age, and beyond.



RACE & ETHNICITY



PREFERRED LANGUAGE



PRIORITY POPULATIONS



899
Low-Wage Workers
 Families served



398
Limited English Proficiency
 Individuals assisted



152
Seniors (60+)
 Older adults served



251+
Immigrants & Mixed Status
 Households supported



Our reach reflects our commitment

to serving communities disproportionately impacted by poverty, displacement, and health inequities — ensuring support is accessible, culturally responsive, and community-rooted.



CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH:

It Takes a Village

Each April, Yolo County comes together around a shared belief: that children thrive when they are surrounded by caring adults, strong families, and connected communities. As Yolo County's designated Child Abuse Prevention Council, YCCA is honored to help lead this collective effort.

In 2025, our theme — It Takes a Village — reflected a truth that families across our county know well: lasting change happens when communities come together. Prevention is not the job of any one agency or system. It is a shared commitment rooted in relationships, trust, and belonging.

Throughout the month, 30 pinwheel garden installations bloomed across Yolo County, turning everyday spaces into visible reminders that children's safety is everyone's responsibility. Through community events, media outreach, and digital engagement, the campaign reached 63,946 community members.

This year, a new Community Art Project — born from a partnership with Yolo Arts — brought 200 art kits to families and youth across the county. The project invited creative expression as a way to explore connection, resilience, and what prevention actually looks like — in a child's drawing, in a family's story, in a shared moment.

Prevention doesn't end on April 30. YCCA's home visitation programs, resource referral services, and year-round community events support families every month — reducing isolation, building protective factors, and making sure no one has to show up to a hard moment alone.

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When families are connected and communities show up for one another, children are safer and the village grows stronger.”

— YCCA PREVENTION TEAM



63,946

Community Members Reached
Through outreach & events



30

Pinwheel Gardens Installed
Across Yolo County



200

Art Kits Distributed
Community Art Project
w/ Yolo Arts



Strengthening Families. Protecting Children. Building Community.



CONNECTING COMMUNITY:

Growing Relationships That Protect Families

Research is clear: social connections — relationships with family, friends, neighbors, and community members — are one of the most powerful protective factors against child abuse and neglect. When families feel seen, supported, and part of something larger than themselves, isolation loses its grip and resilience grows.



4,800+

Total Community Reach
Families & community members



2,619

Children Directly Supported
Backpacks, toys & coats given



6

Signature Events Hosted
Across Yolo County



Child Abuse Prevention Month

More than **60,000 community members** were reached through prevention-focused outreach, including the 30 pinwheel installations & a new art project that invited families to explore what prevention means in their own lives.



Back-to-School Resource Fair

1,415 backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed to children & youth across the county. For families already stretched thin, starting the school year prepared — without having to choose between supplies & groceries — matters more than it might seem.



Family Fun Zone at the Yolo County Fair

Amid the noise & energy of the fair, YCCA created a dedicated family-friendly space where **4,000 families** stopped by to connect, play, & access information. These low-stakes moments of community connection are exactly what the Strengthening Families research says builds protective factors over time.

Sponsored by Dignity Health



Holiday Toy Distribution

Through our annual Toy Distribution & Dignity Health's Giving Tree, **170 families & 479 children** celebrated the holidays. These events are not charity — they are part of how YCCA maintains the relationships & trust that make our more intensive services possible.



Community Giveaway Day

514 families received essential items including 1,100 warm winter coats. For a caregiver managing rent & food & everything else, one less worry can be the difference between a manageable week & a crisis.



Homeless Resource Fair

119 unhoused individuals were connected with services — not just resources, but a few hours of being treated with dignity & care.



Every event is intentionally designed to strengthen social connections — the relationships with family, friends, neighbors, and community members that research shows reduce isolation and protect children. These gatherings are not just resource distributions; they are relationship-building moments where the village comes together, families are seen by their neighbors, and community becomes the safety net that holds everyone up.

HEALTHY FAMILIES YOLO COUNTY™

We meet families wherever they are — before crisis, at the edge of crisis, and on the road back.

Healthy Families Yolo County™ is YCCA's home visitation and family strengthening network — a suite of evidence-based programs that follow families from pregnancy through early childhood and into reunification when needed.

Every program in this network — Welcome Baby: Road to Resilience, Alternative Response home visiting, and the California Home Visitation Project — is built on the Healthy Families America® model and the Strengthening Families Framework and Five Protective Factors.

All programs also complete the same core evidence-based assessments: CHEERS Check-Ins, FROGs, ASQ and ASQ:SE developmental

screenings, the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS), PHQ-9, and the Relationship Assessment Tool. Every visit, every screening, every referral is oriented toward building the resilience, connections, and knowledge that protect children over the long term.



OUR NETWORK INCLUDES



Welcome Baby: Road to Resilience

Early reach & connection



Alternative Response Home Visiting

Family support at the community level



California Home Visitation Project

Comprehensive home visiting for lastingly better outcomes

CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE. TRAUMA-INFORMED. FAMILY-CENTERED.

Services are culturally responsive, trauma-informed, and tailored to each family's goals. Home visiting staff across HFYC programs provide services in English and Spanish — because meeting families where they are means meeting them in the language where they feel safest.



“The program is necessary for any mom, whether it's their first or second baby, because every baby is so different and a lot can happen in those first few days.”

— **WB:R2R PARENT**



Welcome Baby

Welcome Baby is how YCCA reaches families first — often before they even know they need

support. Funded through First 5 Yolo, Welcome Baby connects families during pregnancy and in the first days after birth, through partnerships with medical systems across Yolo County including the CC+OLE Perinatal Network. A registered nurse conducts a postpartum home visit, screens for depression and anxiety, provides lactation support, and helps families connect to what they need. For many families, that single visit opens the door to longer-term services. It's not a one-time check-in — it's the beginning of a relationship.



Perinatal Clients Screened

Assessed for program services



Families Receiving Navigation Services

Connected to community resources



100% were screened for depression and anxiety.

Welcome Baby's early reach means families who need more support can be connected to longer-term services—before challenges become crises.

66

“Thank you for going to this patient’s home. You possibly saved this baby’s life.”

— PEDIATRICIAN, MEDICAL PARTNER



WELCOME BABY: Road to Resilience (R2R)

For families who need more than a nurse visit, Welcome Baby connects into Road to Resilience (WB:R2R) — long-term, intensive home visiting for families with children under age two, also funded through First 5 Yolo. This is where the sustained relationship happens.



SUSTAINED RELATIONSHIPS THAT BUILD CONFIDENCE AND INDEPENDENCE.

YCCA trained home visitors come regularly as families build confidence and independence. The work focuses on healthy child development, parent-child bonding, and parenting confidence, but really it's about trust. Families need to feel safe and heard before real change can happen.



PARTNERSHIPS & A TIERED APPROACH MEET FAMILIES WHERE THEY ARE.

WB:R2R partners with CC+OLE perinatal clinics to connect with families during pregnancy — often before their baby is born — so that support begins early, when it matters most. Families are assessed using a tiered approach that matches the level of care to the level of need: those with lower risk receive information and check-ins throughout pregnancy, while families with the most complex needs connect to intensive, relationship-based support from the start. That structure means the right level of care reaches the right families without delay.



SERVING A DIVERSE COMMUNITY.

R2R serves a diverse group of families: 63% are Hispanic/Latino, with growing participation from Middle Eastern and South Asian communities. 83% are covered by Medi-Cal or are uninsured — families who often have the most to navigate and the fewest resources to do it alone.



REAL OUTCOMES THAT REFLECT REAL CHANGE.

One way YCCA tracks real outcomes — not just service counts — is through ongoing parenting skills surveys, used across both WB:R2R and the AR:HFYC home visiting program. Scored on a scale of 0 to 6, average self-reported parenting skills scores in WB:R2R increased from 3.91 to 5.51 over the course of the program — a 41% gain that reflects how much families grow when they have consistent, relationship-based support.

“

Real change happens when families feel safe and heard.”

— HOME VISITING SUPERVISOR MARIA GARCIA



41%

increase in self-reported parenting skills scores in WB:R2R over the course of the program.



R2R IMPACT:

STRONG FAMILIES. BRIGHTER FUTURES

Through Welcome Baby: Road to Resilience (WB:R2R), we walk alongside families from pregnancy through their child's first two years — building trust, strengthening parenting skills, and connecting families to the resources they need to thrive.

153
Families in Long-Term Home Visiting Enrolled in R2R

1,415
Home Visits Delivered
Total LTHV visits completed



96%
Showed improvement in parenting skills

98%
Avoided the need to enter Child Welfare Services

50%
Exclusively Breastfeeding at 3 Month
vs. 42% Yolo County average

63%
Prenatally Enrolled
Support began before birth

87%
of Service Sustained, relationship-based support

91%
Caregivers with depressive symptoms showed improvement after 6+ months

93%
Up-to-Date on Well-Child Visits
Children receiving preventive care

79%
Up-to-Date on Immunizations
vs. 58% at local clinics at 6 months

FAMILIES SHARE THEIR STORIES

“The program is necessary for any mom, whether it’s their first or second baby, because every baby is so different and a lot can happen in those first few days. It is so important to have someone in your home to support you.”

— **WB:R2R PARENT**

“I am grateful for your support and dedication. I am grateful for making a difference in me and feeling like a more confident mother, supported and empowered with resources and services.”

— **WB:R2R PROGRAM GRADUATE**

“Me sentí muy bien durante el programa porque me ayudaron con la crianza de mi hijo. La información que me dieron me sirvió mucho cuando no sabía cómo cuidar a mi niño. Yo les agradezco por todos los recursos que me dieron.”

— **WB:R2R PROGRAM GRADUATE**

“The program helped to understand my child’s needs and to build more confidence in me to achieve my goals. When I joined the program, I was not sure that I would stay in it due to my work schedule and my children. However, my home visitors Yesenia and Laura were flexible and very understanding of my family’s needs. I made goals to become a better mom, continue my education, increasing my job hours and apply to nursing school. The program made me successful in many aspects of my life and my career. I wish that the program would be 5 years instead of 3 years, but I am very happy that I stayed in the program. I highly recommend the program to all moms who are pregnant because they get incredible support.”

— **WB:R2R PROGRAM GRADUATE**



Alternative Response (AR): Family Check-Up

The Alternative Response Family Check-Up (AR:FCU) serves children ages 2–17 and their families. Referrals come from Yolo County Child Welfare Services, but the door is also open to community self-referrals — no open case required, no crisis threshold to meet.



WHO IT SERVES

Children ages 2–17 and their families. Referrals come from Yolo County Child Welfare Services, and community self-referrals are welcome. No open case required. No crisis threshold to meet.



HOW IT WORKS

The program starts with three sessions:

- Initial interview
 - Parent-child interaction and observation
 - Feedback meeting where the team shares what they saw and asks about the family's goals
- Services continue until those goals are met.



WHAT MAKES IT DIFFERENT

The Family Check-Up® is an evidence-based, trauma-informed model with over 30 years of research showing it works across ethnic, social, and geographic backgrounds — because it starts with the family's own strengths.



ONGOING SUPPORT

Each family works with the same parent support specialist throughout — someone who knows them, shows up consistently, and helps them navigate whatever comes up.



PARTNERED FOR STRONGER FAMILIES

The program is paired with the Everyday Parenting curriculum, which gives parents practical strategies for building stronger relationships with their kids and gaining knowledge about their family that they didn't know before.



Alternative Response (AR): Family Check-Up Con't

The AR:FCU team provided both behavioral coaching and concrete supports throughout the year — food vouchers, emergency food boxes, diapers, backpacks, safety equipment, transportation assistance, and warm clothing.



When one family faced electricity shutoff, the team connected them to HEAP funding. These are not afterthoughts. Addressing immediate material needs is part of how the program strengthens the protective factor of concrete support in times of need, which in turn makes the parenting work more possible.

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“Providing us with a baby gate will allow us to have a more secure space for our children. This also allows us to purchase other items we need, knowing YCCA was able to provide essential safety equipment to help prepare our home as we begin the reunification process.”

— AR:FCU PROGRAM PARENT

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When families feel supported with both practical resources and caring relationships, they are empowered to thrive.

AR:FCU BY THE NUMBERS



33

Families Served
Unique families in the year



21

Families Completing 2+ Sessions
Successfully engaged in ongoing work



100%

48-Hour Contact Rate
All new referrals reached promptly



290+

Total Home Visit Sessions
Delivered throughout the year



Alternative Response: HFA Home Visiting

Alongside the Family Check-Up, YCCA also provides Healthy Families America (HFA) home visiting for families in Yolo County's Alternative Response system, serving parents with children ages 0–2.



BRIDGING THE GAP

This program intentionally covers the age range that AR:FCU does not — filling the gap for the youngest and most vulnerable children.



SUPPORT BEFORE IT'S NEEDED MOST

These are families who have come to the attention of Child Welfare Services — but who, with the right support, may never need to enter the formal system. Home visitors meet these families in their homes, build trust over time, and provide steady, relationship-based support that helps families navigate hard moments without things escalating.



TRAINED. CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE. EVIDENCE-INFORMED.

Staff follow the HFA National Child Welfare Protocols and are also trained in the Effective Black Parenting Program — a curriculum developed specifically for Black and African American families. One approach does not fit everyone. Effective prevention has to reflect the communities it serves, and that requires specific investment in culturally grounded training.

CALIFORNIA HOME VISITATION PROJECT (CHVP)

A PROVEN MODEL WITH LASTING IMPACT

The California Home Visitation Project (CHVP) is YCCA's state-funded home visiting program, operating under the Healthy Families America® (HFA) model. YCCA has been doing this work for 17 years, and in 2025 received HFA re-accreditation — a formal recognition that the program continues to deliver services with fidelity to a model backed by decades of research.



BUILT AROUND RELATIONSHIPS

Services start as early as pregnancy and continue until the child turns three. But the structure follows the family, not the other way around. Visits are weekly at first — building the relationship, establishing trust — then step down to bi-weekly and monthly as families grow in confidence.



GUIDES, NOT CHECKLISTS

The curriculum, Partners for a Healthy Baby, guides goal-setting, but what those goals are comes from the family. Home visitors aren't arriving with a checklist of what families should be doing; they're asking what matters to them, what feels hard, what they want for their child.



WHY FAMILIES STAY

That relationship-first approach is what makes the model work — and why families stay.

“

By the end of services, most of our families feel very comfortable accessing community events, mental health & concrete resources, & advocating for their children. They also report feeling more equipped to navigate systems, & more confidence in their parenting skills.”

— HOME VISITING SUPERVISOR
ELSA MURATALLA

FAMILIES RECEIVE SUPPORT IN AREAS THAT MATTER MOST:



Building strong parent-child relationships



Mental health and emotional well-being



Accessing community resources & concrete supports



Navigating systems with confidence



Achieving goals that create stability for their family



1,124

Home Visits Completed

Delivered to enrolled families



130

Families Served

Unique enrolled families



86%

Prenatally Enrolled

Support began before birth



43+

Medi-Cal Eligible Families

Low-income households served

In 2025, **86% of newly enrolled families received their first home visit prenatally** — a testament to 17 years of community trust and outreach. CHVP primarily serves Latino/Hispanic families (82%), including many who migrate to Yolo County for agricultural work, and the program has seen growing diversity in recent years, including Middle Eastern families and UC Davis international students. 93% of participating families are covered by Medi-Cal or CHIP, and 60% speak Spanish as their primary language. Fathers and partners are actively involved in many home visits, and children with developmental concerns receive targeted screening and early intervention referrals.



Screening and Early Identification

One of CHVP's most important functions is identifying concerns before they become crises. Home visitors are trained to notice what parents might not yet recognize in themselves or their children — and to connect families to support quickly, with warmth and without shame. This is not surveillance. It is relationship-based care.

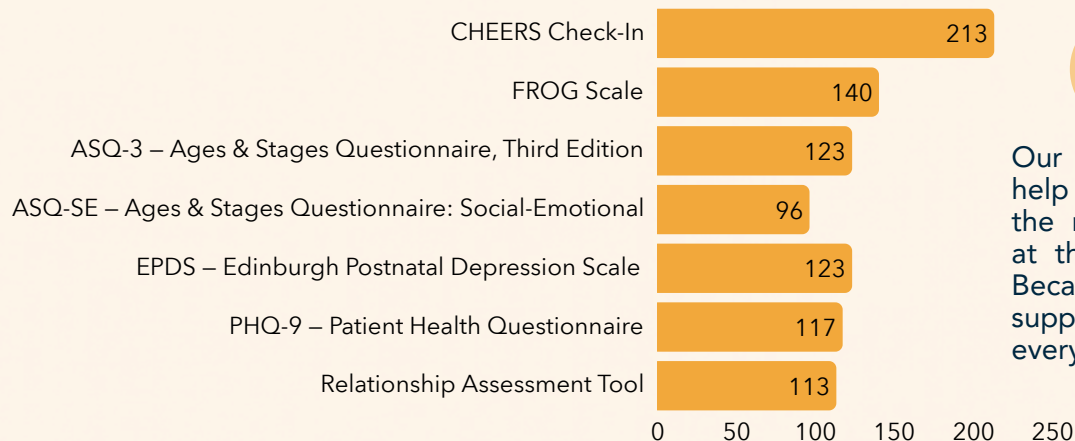


Home Visiting Impact in Numbers

Every number below represents a family seen, a concern caught early, and a child whose first years are being shaped by attentive, evidence-based care.

925

INDIVIDUAL SCREENINGS COMPLETED



Our screenings help families get the right support, at the right time. Because early support changes everything.



Alternative Response: HFA Home Visiting

YCCA uses evidence-based screening tools to understand each family's unique strengths and needs — so we can connect them to the right support early.



CHEERS Check-In 213 completed

A brief caregiver self-assessment that monitors family well-being, strengths, and stressors. It opens the conversation about what a family is carrying — and where they might need more support.



ASQ-3 — Ages & Stages Questionnaire, Third Edition 123 completed

A developmental screening tool administered at key intervals — 6, 10, 18, 24, 30, and 36 months — to evaluate a child's communication, motor skills, problem-solving, and social development. In 2025, 14 children were identified as having developmental delays or disabilities and received targeted support and early intervention referrals.



FROG Scale 140 completed

A strengths-based family assessment that measures caregiver protective factors — resilience, social connections, knowledge of parenting, and access to resources. Used at enrollment to guide service planning.



Relationship Assessment Tool 113 completed

A screening tool used to assess the health and safety of intimate partner relationships and identify potential concerns about relationship conflict or violence. Because family safety depends on safety in the home, this screening is a quiet but essential part of YCCA's prevention work.



ASQ-SE — Ages & Stages Questionnaire: Social-Emotional 96 completed

A screening tool focused specifically on a child's social-emotional development, including behavior, self-regulation, and how children connect with others. Administered at least annually, it supports the fifth protective factor — the social and emotional competence of children — by catching concerns early and connecting families to help.



PHQ-9 — Patient Health Questionnaire 117 completed

A standardized screening tool used to assess symptoms of depression in adults. Completed regularly to monitor caregiver mental health and connect families to support when needed.



EPDS — Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale 123 completed

A validated tool used to screen for postpartum depression and anxiety in pregnant and postpartum individuals. In 2025, 12 participants showed elevated scores — each of whom received follow-up support, referrals, and continued engagement. Catching postpartum depression early is one of the most direct things we can do to protect both mother and child.

Screenings don't just flag concerns — they open doors.



As a Help Me Grow (HMG) service provider, YCCA is embedded in Yolo County's early childhood system. When a home visitor identifies a developmental concern, the family can be connected to early intervention services the same day.

Early support. Stronger futures.

The right connection at the right time can change everything.

Help Me Grow Yolo

Connecting families to the right support, at the right time, in the earliest years that matter most.

WHAT IT IS

Help Me Grow Yolo connects families to early childhood developmental and mental health services for children prenatal through age five. Through our Family Resource Center and home visiting programs, YCCA is a front-line access point in that system.

HOW IT WORKS

Every family who comes through our doors learns about Help Me Grow. When someone is ready, YCCA connects them through a standardized, closed-loop referral process — so nothing gets lost between systems.

- **We listen:** Families share questions or concerns about their child's development, behavior, or learning.
- **We show up:** Referrals lead to the right services — from screenings and playgroups to parent support, early intervention navigation, and home therapy.
- **We remove barriers:** Staff ask about what might get in the way — transportation, language, childcare, hours — and make the process as comfortable as possible.
- **We follow through:** A referral that a family can't follow through on isn't a service. We stay with families every step of the way until they're connected.



WHY IT MATTERS

The first five years of a child's life are when the brain is developing fastest. Catching a concern early — and actually getting the family connected — can change the whole trajectory.

“Our team recognizes that real change happens when families feel safe and heard. We offer long-term support during a transitional time in a family's life—because we know that having a child takes a village.”

—CHVP HOME VISITING SUPERVISOR KATE BROOKS



Identify concerns early



Connect families to the right services



Remove barriers to access



Support families every step of the way

GROUNDING IN THE FIVE PROTECTIVE FACTORS FRAMEWORK

These screenings are grounded in the Five Protective Factors Framework — the national evidence base for child abuse prevention. Every interaction is oriented toward strengthening:



Parental Resilience



Social Connections



Knowledge of Parenting & Child Development



Concrete Support in Times of Need



Social & Emotional Competence of Children

FAMILY STRENGTHENING PROGRAMS

YCCA's Family Strengthening programs serve families who are involved with the child welfare system — parents working toward reunification, families navigating high-stress situations, co-parents trying to find their footing. These programs are intensive and individualized, delivered in English and Spanish, in person and virtually, in homes and in group settings.



All are evidence-based and oriented around a single goal: strengthening the parent-child relationship so children can be safe at home.



In-Home Safety Program

The In-Home Safety Program supports families when children have returned home — or are in the process of coming back. All referrals come directly from Child Welfare Services.

Parent support specialists visit the home regularly, sometimes weekly and sometimes two or three times a week depending on what the family needs, to assess safety, build parenting skills, and walk alongside the family as they work toward case closure.

The Nurturing Parenting curriculum guides the work, helping parents recognize what created danger in the home, understand what needs to change, and develop the protective capacities to keep their children safe. The goal, as our team describes it, is to help reduce the number of families being separated through child abuse and neglect.

Throughout 2025, the team also connected multiple families to housing support — deposits, first month's rent, pathways to permanent housing — because stable housing and family stability are not separate problems.



Support when children return home or are coming back



Parent support specialists provide consistent, hands-on guidance



Assess safety, build parenting skills, and strengthen the home environment



Connect families to housing support and other critical resources

WHAT WE FOCUS ON



Assess safety and address risk factors

We identify concerns and create plans that prioritize child safety.



Build parenting skills and positive capacities

We help parents develop the tools and confidence their children need.



Support families toward case closure

We walk alongside families as they meet goals and move forward.



Connect families to stable housing resources

We link families to housing support and long-term stability.



Strengthening families. Protecting children. Building community.

NURTURING PARENTING — GROUP PARENTING CLASSES



The Nurturing Parenting Group Parenting Class is a 12-week program for parents referred by Child Welfare Services who are working toward reunification with their children. Classes meet weekly for two hours — in English and Spanish, in person and virtually — and provide a space where parents can slow down and actually learn.

As our team describes it, “This program creates a safe, welcoming space where parents can pause, reflect, and grow — without judgment. Many parents come in feeling unsure, overwhelmed, or worried they’re not doing enough. What we offer is knowledge paired with encouragement.”

Over the course of 2025, 81 parents were referred to the program, with near-100% enrollment across all cohorts.

CLASSES ARE OFFERED

Parents come in carrying a lot of guilt, defensiveness, fear of the system, exhaustion. The class meets them where they are. By the end, many leave with tools they didn’t know they needed and the recognition that they’re not starting from zero. They already bring love and commitment. The class helps them build on that.

As our team puts it, “Over time, what once felt like a class that might never end becomes a journey of progress, hope, and skill-building — one step at a time.” One-on-one instruction is available for parents with specific learning needs, and Spanish-language cohorts ensure monolingual parents can fully participate.



NURTURING PARENTING - BY THE NUMBERS

Classes are offered in the evenings and virtually to fit parents’ schedules—and for parents with specific learning needs, one-on-one instruction is available. Spanish-language cohorts ensure that monolingual Spanish-speaking parents can fully engage, share experiences, and learn alongside peers.



81

**Total Referrals
(Year)**
Across all
cohorts in 2025



100%

Enrollment Rate
Near-universal
class placement



Virtual & In-Person

Formats Offered
Flexible
scheduling for
every parent

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“As the weeks went on, my patience and understanding grew. This class covered everything from stress management to parent-child relationships and gave families a solid foundation to build on.”

— NURTURING PARENTING PROGRAM PARENT

CO-PARENTING PROGRAM

The Co-Parenting Program helps parents build cooperative, child-centered co-parenting relationships through eight guided sessions. Parents work directly with their co-parent to establish shared goals, set healthy limits, and develop communication strategies focused on their children's needs. Research shows that co-parents engaging together — rather than separately — are more likely to sustain changes over time. More than 10 parents completed the full curriculum in 2025. Most came in skeptical. Most left with something they didn't expect to find.



SUPPORTING FAMILIES IN EVERY WAY

Throughout all Family Strengthening programs, basic needs supports were distributed alongside parenting education —diapers, wipes, food vouchers, and home safety equipment for families preparing for reunification. Reducing material stress is not a priority to the parenting work.

It is part of it.



Diapers



Wipes



Food
Vouchers



Home Safety
Equipment



Pathways to
Stability

“

“I entered this class thinking it was a waste of time but left feeling like it was one of the most valuable things I've done for my children.”

CO-PARENTING PROGRAM PARENT



Strengthening families. Protecting children. Building community.

STAGE ONE CALWORKS CHILD CARE

For ten consecutive years, YCCA has administered Stage One Child Care services on behalf of Yolo County — helping California’s families access safe, reliable, subsidized child care so that parents can pursue employment, job training, or education without child care becoming a barrier to moving forward. Stage One is the entry point of California’s subsidized child care system, and YCCA’s role is to make sure every eligible family can access child care quickly and without stress.



EMBEDDED AT COUNTY OFFICES

YCCA staff are embedded at Woodland and West Sacramento.



NO EXTRA TRIP

When a parent receives their CalWORKs child referral, there is no separate trip to take, no new system to navigate.



FAST ACCESS

YCCA can meet families where they already are, respond the same or next day, and ensure child care is certified within 10 business days.

PARENT SATISFACTION (2017–2025)

2017	97%
2018	100%
2019	100%
2021	95%
2022	86%
2023	100%
2024	100%
2025 (partial)	89%



Required threshold: 75% — YCCA consistently exceeds this standard



When I got connected with YCCA, they made everything so much easier. It wasn't just about paperwork. They checked in to make sure things were going okay. I never had to worry about my provider being paid on time.

— CALWORKS PARENT



200

Families Served Enrolled at any given time in 2025



420

Connected to quality child care providers in 2025



DIVERSE FAMILIES, STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Stage One families in Yolo County are diverse, and YCCA's team reflects that. Bilingual and bicultural staff serve families in Spanish, Russian, and Dari/Pashto – including the growing population of Afghanistan newcomer families. Language is not an afterthought in this program. It is built into the model from the first call.



REMOVING BARRIERS, BUILDING STABILITY

Because Stage One families often face challenges beyond child care, YCCA's integrated model means that when a parent member notices a family is struggling with housing, food, or health coverage, a warm referral to a YCCA colleague takes minutes. The family stays within the same trusted organization – no retelling their story, no starting over – and they get the full support they need to stabilize and build.



MORE THAN CHILD CARE – A PATH FORWARD

Stage One child care opens the door to opportunity. Whether a parent is working, training, or pursuing education, having reliable child care provides the stability families need to move forward with confidence.

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

The Family Resource Center (FRC) is YCCA's hub for direct service delivery — the place where families come when they need something concrete and need it now. In 2025, the FRC delivered 6,095 total services to 3,167 individuals, with 50% of services going to West Sacramento residents and more than 1,100 children reached through school-connected programs.



6,095+

TOTAL SERVICES
Delivered in 2025



3,167+














INDIVIDUALS SERVED
Across all programs



3,187+

CHILDREN IMPACTED
Through services & school-connected programs

The FRC is guided by the same Strengthening Families Framework that shapes all of YCCA's work. Every service offered here — whether it's a bag of food or a tax return — is understood as a way of building the protective factor of concrete support in times of need. Families who are less stressed about immediate survival have more capacity to parent, to connect, and to stay stable.

Program	Services	Families/Individuals	Children
 Basic Needs (diapers, ID vouchers, hygiene)	792 services	—	—
 Emergency Food Bags	277	187	1
 Free Tax Preparation (VITA)	716	685	20
 Housing Assistance	259	146	2
 Afghan Refugee School Impact	198	198	112
 Back-to-School Backpacks	1,415	359	1,415
 Community Giveaway Day	514	N/A	1,100+
 Medi-Cal Navigation/Enrollment	204	170	1
 CalFresh Navigation/Enrollment	97	83	3
 Covered California Nav/Enrollment	142	82	1
 Home Visiting (HFA)	1,124	130	415
 WIOA Workforce Development	17	17	1
 Navigation Assistance	85	67	3
TOTAL	6,095+	3,167+	3,187+

Every service is a step toward stability. By meeting immediate needs, the Family Resource Center helps families build the foundation they need to thrive.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Free Tax Preparation Services (VITA)

YCCA's multilingual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program removes a significant and often invisible barrier for low-income families: the cost of filing taxes and the fear of getting it wrong. Families receive free, culturally responsive support and keep 100% of their refunds. In 2025, 685 households were served, with over \$1.2 million returned to families in Yolo County — an average of \$1,751 per family.

That money does not disappear. It pays rent, covers car repairs, buys groceries, and gives families a little room to breathe. The ripple effects of economic stability run through every other protective factor we work to build.

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By appointment only

TAX PREP SUPER SATURDAYS

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

Time: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Available dates in 2026:

- February 7
- March 7
- March 28
- April 4

685

Households Served
Free tax preparation

\$1.2M+

Returned to Families
In refunds & tax credits

\$1,751

Average Return per Family
Kept 100% of their refund

Emergency Food & Food Security

In partnership with local food banks, YCCA distributes culturally appropriate food to families experiencing crisis. Demand for emergency food support increased by nearly 50% this year. YCCA stepped in to meet it. In 2025, 277 emergency food services were provided to 187 families. A full refrigerator reduces the stress that makes everything else harder. Stable nutrition is a protective factor, full stop.



277

Emergency Food Services
Total food distributions



187

Families Receiving Food
Unique households



\$141,635

Grocery Gift Cards Distributed
To support families' food security



No child should go hungry. When a family knocks on our door during a crisis, food is often the first thing we can offer—and it matters. A full pantry means a parent can focus on work, on parenting, on healing. Food security is child abuse prevention.



Housing Stability

YCCA provides eviction prevention, rental assistance, rapid rehousing, and housing navigation services to help families secure and maintain safe, stable housing. In 2025, 539 individuals were served through housing support programs, 38 families were protected through eviction prevention, and 22 families transitioned to permanent housing. Stable housing is one of the strongest predictors of family well-being and child safety — and one of the areas where the need in Yolo County continues to grow.



539

Individuals Receiving Housing Help
Navigation & assistance

22

Families in Permanent Housing
Transitioned to stable homes

38

Evictions Prevented
Families protected in place

Immigrant & Refugee Services



198

Refugee Households Supported
Afghan newcomer

112

Children Receiving School Support
100% West Sacramento

Bilingual and bicultural staff provide Afghan Newcomer tutoring, offering after-school, one-on-one literacy and academic support to K-12 students at four schools in West Sacramento. These services strengthen the connections between home, school, and community that are especially fragile for newly arrived families navigating an unfamiliar system in a new language.

Workforce Development



Through WIOA and youth-focused employment support, YCCA closes opportunity gaps for young people facing systemic barriers. Participants receive job readiness training, financial literacy education, and mentoring to help build pathways toward long-term economic stability that reaches the next generation.



17

youth served through WIOA workforce development programs in 2025

COMMUNITY HEALTH INITIATIVE

YCCA's Community Health Initiative advances health equity by removing barriers that prevent families from getting the care they need. Health coverage and food access are not only basic needs—they are powerful protective factors that reduce family stress, strengthen caregiver capacity, and support children's healthy development.

Through one-on-one navigation and enrollment assistance, YCCA provides multilingual support to help families enroll in and maintain life-sustaining programs including Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and Covered California. In

2025, the CHI served hundreds of families across all three programs. In 2025, the CHI delivered 446 services to 338 unique clients, including 225 enrollments across all three programs.



446
Services
Delivered



338
Unique Clients
Served



225
Enrollments Completed
Across all three programs



**Medi-Cal
Enrollment Support**

YCCA helps families enroll and stay enrolled in Medi-Cal, connecting children and caregivers to primary care, behavioral health, and preventive services.



**CalFresh
Enrollment Support**

YCCA helps families access CalFresh food benefits — a program that research consistently shows reduces food insecurity, improves child health outcomes, and decreases family stress.



**Covered California
Enrollment Support**

YCCA provides bilingual guidance to help families navigate Covered California, making sure they understand their options and can choose coverage that works for their household.



210 Total Services
in 2025



173 Unique
Clients



81 Navigation
Assist



129 Enrollment



96 Total Services
in 2025



83 Unique
Clients



34 Navigation
Assist



62 Enrollment



140 Total Services
in 2025



82 Unique
Clients



106 Navigation
Assist



34 Enrollment

**Access to care is
prevention.**

When families are connected to health coverage and food, children are healthier and families are more stable.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

YCCA is guided by a committed Board of Directors representing health care, financial services, education, and community leadership across Yolo County.



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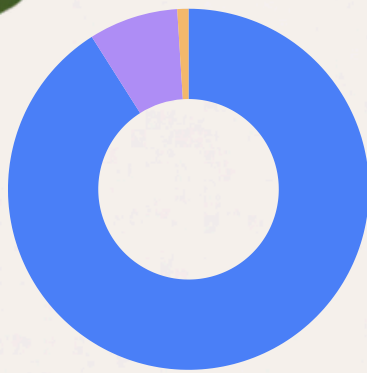
Our Board's diverse expertise and deep community commitment strengthen YCCA's mission and impact across Yolo County.

ACCOUNTABILITY & FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Accountability is one of YCCA's core values. We uphold the values of transparency and accountability, ensuring that our resources are managed with prudence and efficiency while tracking our impact. Every dollar entrusted to YCCA is deployed intentionally to strengthen families and protect children across Yolo County.



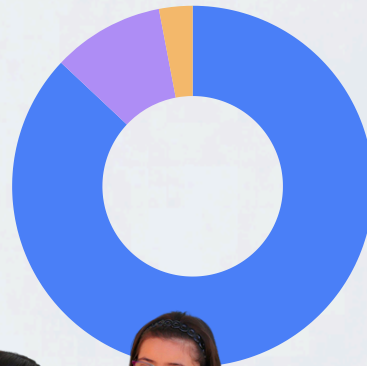
REVENUE



- Federal, State, County, and City **91%**
- Foundations & Corporations **8%**
- Contributions & Assets **1%**



EXPENSES



- Programs **87%**
- Administration **10%**
- Resource Development **3%**



YCCA's funding comes from a diverse portfolio of federal, state, county, and private sources, including First 5 Yolo, Yolo County HHS, MIECHV, WIOA, CalAIM, and community partnerships. This diversity of funding ensures program stability and our ability to serve families across multiple systems and needs.

“Strengthening families today to protect children tomorrow can't be done without YOU.”

— OLIVIA ARNOLD, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR,
YOLO COUNTY CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE





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JOIN US IN BUILDING A STRONGER YOLO COUNTY

YCCA's work is only possible because of the families who trust us, the partners who collaborate with us, the funders who invest in us, and the community members who show up for one another every day.

You are the village.



THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO SUPPORT YCCA'S MISSION:



VOLUNTEER

Share your skills and time at a community event or in our programs.



DONATE

Every dollar strengthens families and protects children.



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