



Community Report

2021-2022



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Anna Bauer

This past year continued to pose challenges for young children, their families, and their systems of care. It also provided an opportunity for the Butte County Children and Families Commission to reflect on its priorities, and explore how to be a better partner, a better funder, and a more effective leader.

The vision of the Commission, that every child deserves the opportunity of a resilient, thriving future through a nurturing, supportive network of families, caregivers, and their community, continued to guide our commitment to ongoing quality improvement. Despite declining revenues, the Commission committed \$2.3M, over five years, to Family Strengthening Services and Resource Centers, and engaged with local organizations to listen to the goals and hopes of communities so that opportunities can be tailored to their unique priorities. The Commission's cornerstone initiative, *Help Me Grow Butte*, was expanded to include healthcare, early care and education, and home visiting services, and provided daily support for families with young children who are navigating complex systems.

The Commission provided coaching, training and technical assistance opportunities to its valued partners, and deepened its commitment to uplifting the community organizations that make up the fabric of support for families and young children. As we emerge from past challenges, we look to the future committed to embracing the opportunities that lie ahead, together.

Sincerely,

Anna Bauer
Executive Director
First 5 Butte County Children and Families Commission

BUTTE COUNTY OVERVIEW

13,396

0-5 CHILDREN LIVING IN BUTTE COUNTY (2020)¹



	BUTTE COUNTY	CALIFORNIA
Pregnant women who received prenatal care in their first trimester²	77% (2018)	84% (2018)
Children in working families for whom a licensed child care space was available²	24% (2019)	25% (2019)
Children (0-5) living below the federal poverty threshold^{1,3}	16% (2019)	15% (2019)
Children (0-17) living in food insecure households⁴	19% (2019)	14% (2019)
Child (0-5) maltreatment substantiation rates¹	13.1 per 1,000 (2020)	10.0 per 1,000 (2020)
Children (0-5) with entries to foster care¹	5.6 per 1,000 (2020)	4.5 per 1,000 (2020)

¹ CCWIP reports. Retrieved Feb 04, 2022 from University of California at Berkeley California Child Welfare Indicators Project website.

URL: <https://ccwip.berkeley.edu>

² 2021 California County Scorecard of Children's Well-being. Retrieved Dec 16, 2021 from Children Now website. URL:

<https://scorecard.childrennow.org>

³ American Community Survey (ACS, US Census), Retrieved Feb 04, 2022 from <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs>

⁴ Kids Data reports. Retrieved Dec 16, 2021 from <https://kidsdata.org>

FIRST 5 BUTTE COUNTY: FISCAL YEAR 2021/22

First 5 Butte County invested **\$1,310,863** in supporting Butte County families during Fiscal Year 2021/22.

\$663,271 for improved child health

\$127,545 for improved family functioning

\$221,197 for improved systems of care

\$298,850 for improved child development

The First 5 Butte County Children and Families Commission serves children, families, and service providers via programs and initiatives in four categories. **Targeted, Intensive Programs** provide families with a high level of support for several months or years. These programs strengthen parenting skills and help caregivers identify and receive supportive community referrals. **Concrete Supports** provide supplies to families and providers. **Systems Strengthening** investments create and enhance systems that support families and providers. **Family Bonding Events** provide opportunities for families to come together and foster community connection.

5,931 CHILDREN and **3,325** PRIMARY CAREGIVERS were served through:



Targeted,
Intensive
Programs

531 Children
597 Primary Caregivers



Concrete
Supports

2,703 Children
1,802 Primary Caregivers



Systems
Strengthening

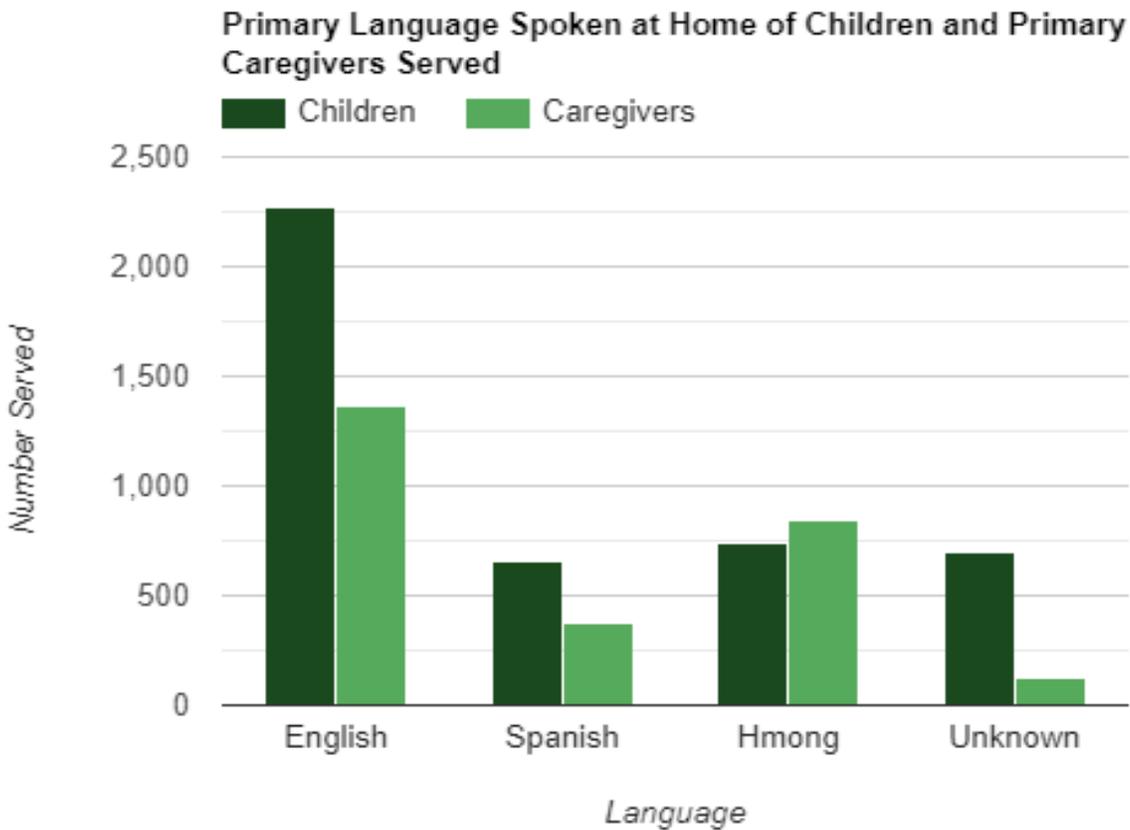
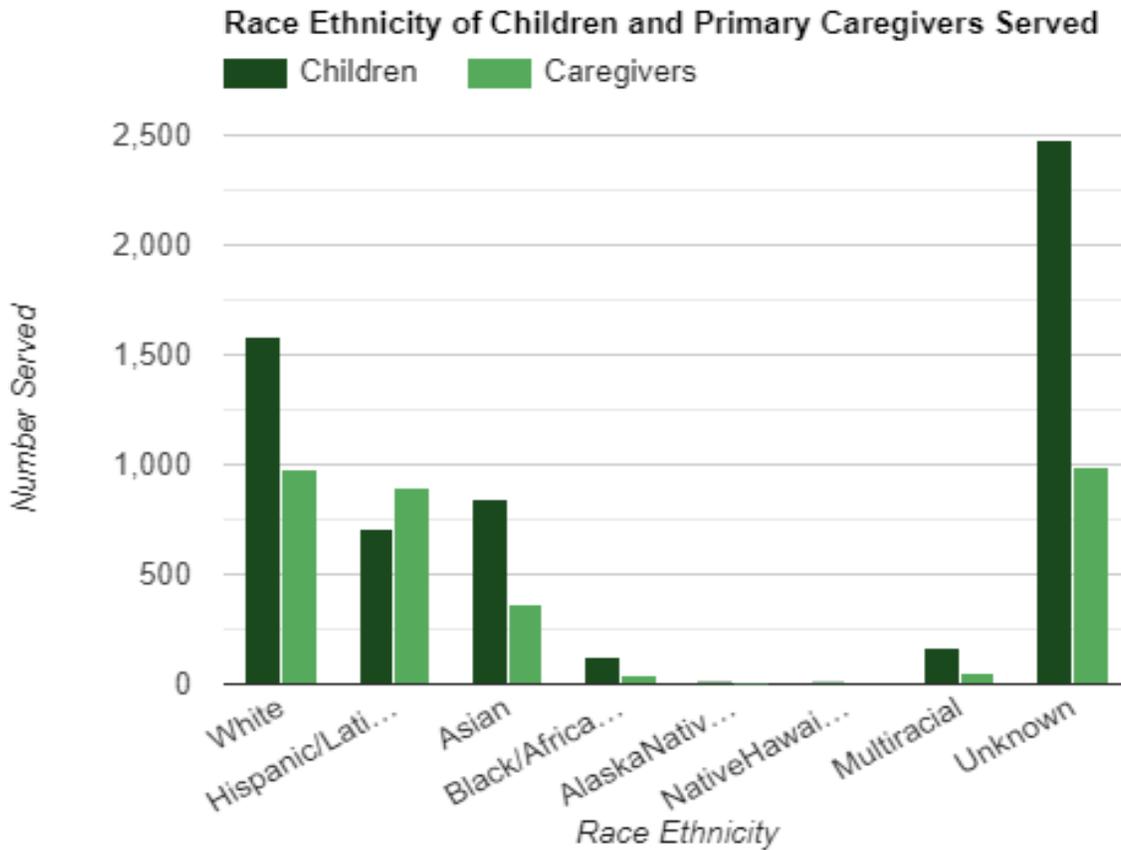
2,627 Children
876 Primary Caregivers



Family
Bonding
Events

70 Children
50 Primary Caregivers

FIRST 5 BUTTE COUNTY: FISCAL YEAR 2021/22



PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES



Targeted, Intensive Programs

Tu Tus Menyuum Program, or “Raising the Child,” provides family strengthening services including case management, parent education and community connections for Hmong families with young children.

362 0-5 Year Olds Served

471 Caregivers and Family Members Served

36 Menyuum Family Circle Events

“

I am very impressed in the work you do for us. My kids and I enjoy all the activities and engagements you have for us each month. We hope you continue your work so we can enjoy coming every time.”

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Butte Baby Steps

offers parent support through home visits with family support workers and referrals to services in their communities

1422 Home Visits

124 Families Served

89% Of Children Received Developmental Screenings

100% Of Mothers Were Screened for Depression

“

I started Butte Baby Steps when I was pregnant with my son and have been a part of it since. My son is currently 4 years old and the help we have both received from the program has been very helpful. I’ve learned many skills like improving my communication and gaining more independence. They have made such a big impact in my life by helping me get into therapy to heal from my past relationship. I’m very thankful for being a part of the program and for all the help I’ve received for them.

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PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES



Concrete Supports

Dual Language Learners

supports implementation of family engagement strategies across early learning and care settings serving bilingual children to promote school-family partnerships and promote maintenance and competency of their home language.

80 Wi-Fi Enabled Tablets Distributed

990 Books Distributed

32 Early Care and Education Providers Received Personalized Oral Language Learner (POLL) Training

Covid Test Kits

provided by First 5 Ca and Butte County Public Health, were distributed by First 5 staff to local partners.

3,000 Covid Test Kits Distributed to First 5 Partners

Reach Out and Read

distributes books to young children through pediatricians' offices throughout Butte County.

1,500 Books Distributed



Systems Strengthening

Home Visiting Collaborative

works to create a sustainable, unified system that supports families with the home visiting services they need. Collaborating programs developed a coordinated system for home visiting referrals through The Village.

4 Home Visiting Programs Participated

Local Partners

who joined with First 5 for training, funding and collaboration this fiscal year.

77 Local Collaborating Partners

Help Me Grow Butte

connects young children and families to developmental and behavioral services, promotes regular developmental screening for children, and coordinates connection to local home visiting programs.

128 Families Served

100% Of Families Served Reported Their Needs Were Met

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