#### Allegan County Board of Commissioners



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#### **BOARD PLANNING SESSION-AGENDA**

Thursday, September 28, 2023, @ 9:00 AM County Services Building, Board Room Virtual Meeting Options Attached

#### DISTRICT 1

Jim Storey 616-848-9767 jstorey@ allegancounty.org

9:00 AM CALL TO ORDER:

**ROLL CALL:** 

**OPENING PRAYER:** Commissioner Mark DeYoung

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** 

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** 

**DISTRICT 2** 

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#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Michigan Local Public Health Accreditation Cycle 7 Certificate

  Laura de La Rambelje, MDHHS Local Health Services
- 2. 2023/27 Board Strategic Plan Updates
  - I. <u>Housing</u>
  - Stephanie Calhoun, Allegan County Community Foundation Executive Director
  - b. Jeff Schilling, Schilling Consulting Services
  - c. Mark Witte, OnPoint Executive Director
  - II. Development of Organizational Energy Plan
- 3. 2024 Budget
  - a. Boards & Commissions Compensation (Commissioner Storey)
- 4. Administrative Update

#### DISTRICT 5

**DISTRICT 4** 

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#### OTHER ITEMS:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

#### **FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS:**

Administrative Update

ADJOURNMENT: Next Meeting—Thursday, October 12, 2023, 3:00 PM @ COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING, BOARD ROOM.

#### **Mission Statement**

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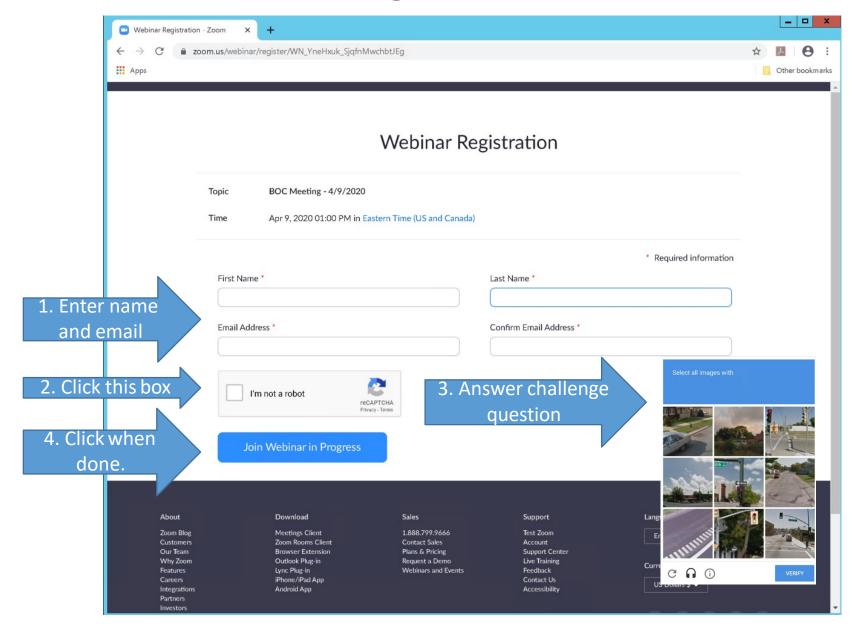
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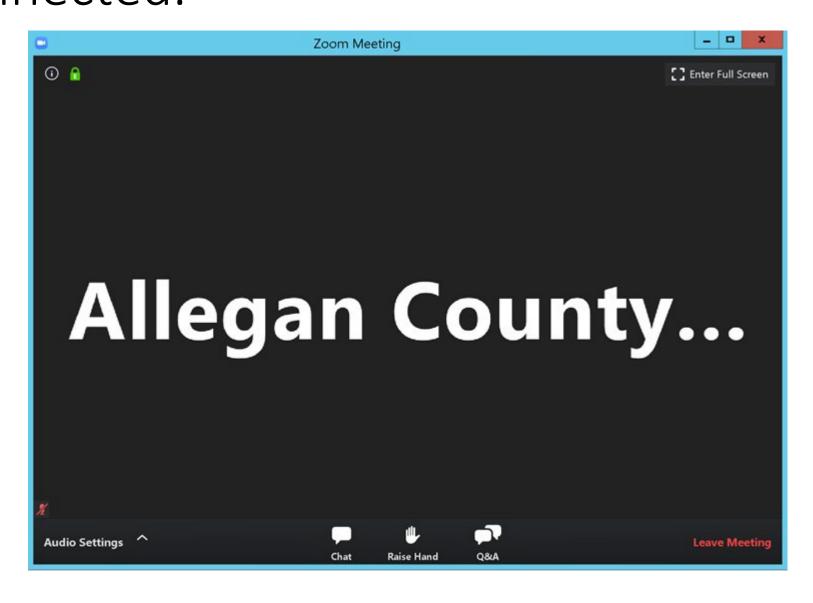
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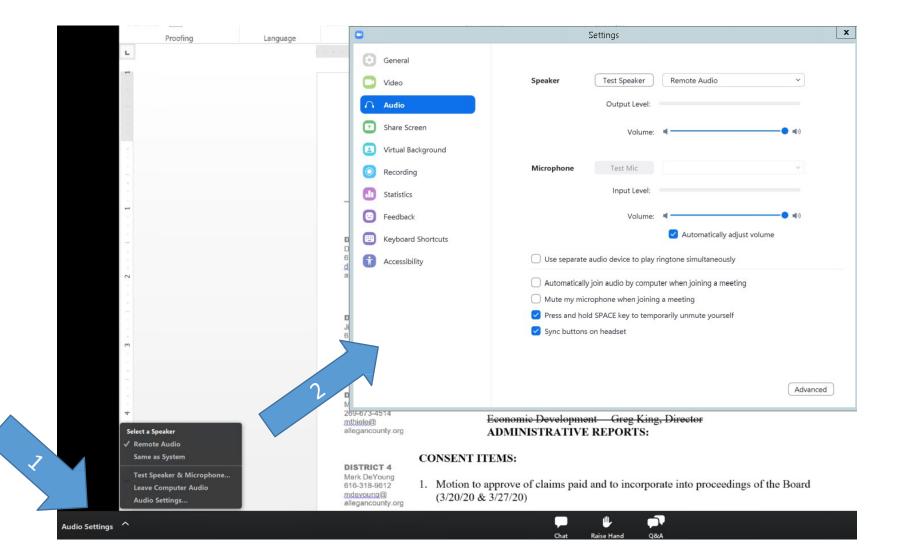
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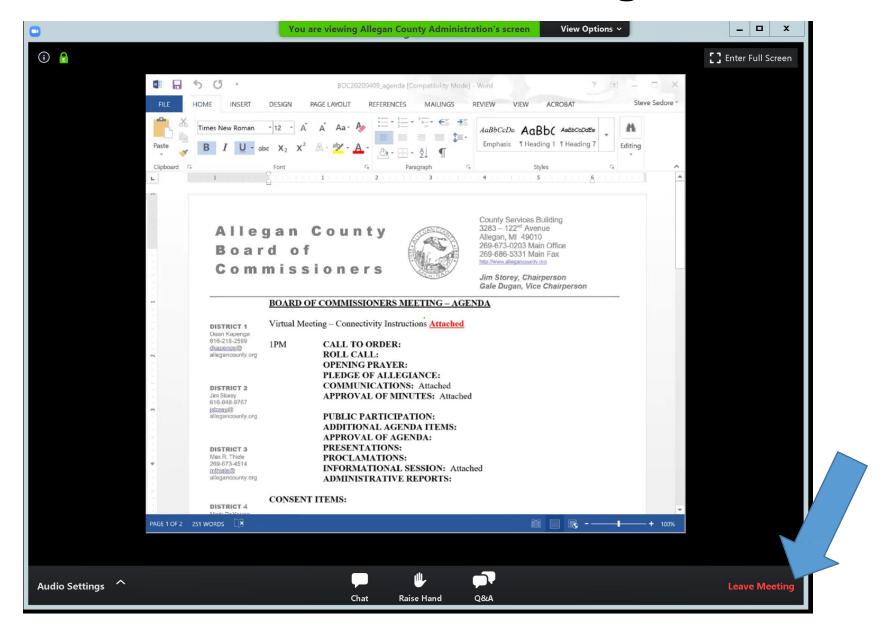
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# Allegan County Community Foundation

### **Impacting Community.** For Good. For Ever.

The mission of the Allegan County Community Foundation is to positively impact Allegan County through financial stewardship, education and community partnerships.











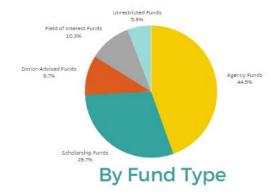




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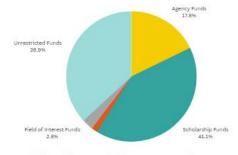
#### **FUNDS**

- Agency Funds
- Scholarship Funds
- Donor Advised Funds
- Field of Interest Funds
- Unrestricted Funds
- Community Project Funds



#### **FINANCIALS**

- First endowed gift of \$1.2 million in 1969
- 165 Funds \$22 million under management
- Operating budget around \$450,000



By Asset Amount

## ALLEGAN COUNTY HOUSING ASSESSMENT



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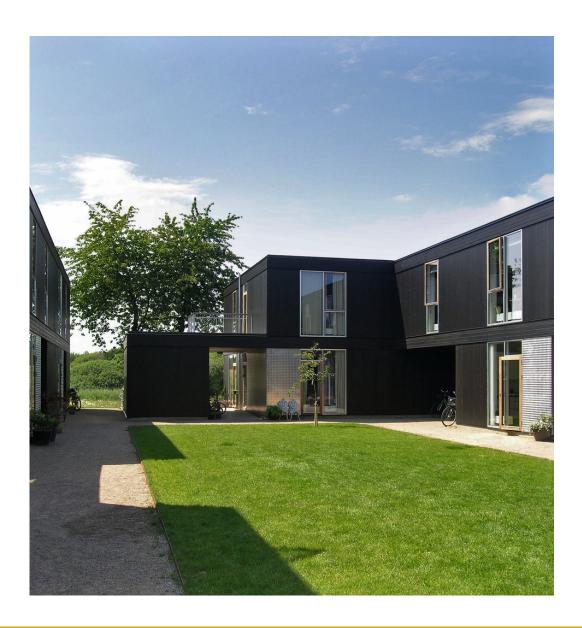






### BACKGROUND

- In the fall of 2022, several agencies (non-profit and government) met to discuss what could be done about housing in Allegan County.
- It was recommended and agreed that step one is to complete a Housing Needs Assessment for Allegan County
  - Follows the path that Ottawa, Kent and now Muskegon have followed,
  - It is important to get the "Facts" about the situation and opportunities first.



# HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

- What is a Housing Needs Assessment
  - Demographic analysis
  - Economic analysis
  - Housing supply analysis
  - Housing market conditions assessment
    - Multifamily rental
    - Non-conventional rentals
    - For sale housing
    - Development pipeline
- Basic Price = \$35,000

# HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

- Additional Elements Requested by the Team
  - Senior Housing Assessment \$3,500
  - Special Needs Assessment \$3,000
  - Employer Survey \$4,000
  - Vacation/Short-Term Rentals \$2,500
  - Residential Blight \$3,000
  - Development costs/Government regulations \$3,000
  - And more . . .
- Total Assessment Cost = \$59,000
- Provider = Bowen National Research
  - Same provider for Ottawa, Kent, Muskegon
- Time frame = Draft Housing Report late August 2023.



# WHAT HAPPENED DURING THE ASSESSMENT

- During the Assessment, Bowen met with various stakeholders.
- During the Assessment, organizations such as Lakeshore Advantage provided data to Bowen.
- During the Assessment, representatives from Allegan were kept abreast of activities and findings.







### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE ASSESSMENT

- The assessment will be published for communities, agencies and developers to access freely.
- Once the Assessment has been published it is important that:
  - Organizations, agencies and developers become educated,
    - Zoning boards to understand opportunities and challenges for their communities,
    - Developers to identify opportunities based on current and future needs,
    - Local and Government officials to understand how they can make a positive impact.
- It is helpful to have a knowledgeable "voice" speaking to the groups helping to put land, needs, zoning challenges and financing together to make an impact.
- We have hired a part-time staff member to be the "housing champion" for Allegan County. She will work with Housing Next, Bowen, and other subject matter experts to establish relationships and address housing in Allegan County.

### SUPPORTING BUSINESSES

Several organizations have committed to financially supporting the full effort:

- Gun Lake Tribe MATCH-E-BE-NASH-SHE-WISH Band of Pottawatomi Indians
- Perrigo
- Haworth
- Parker-Hannafin
- The Rotary Clubs of Allegan County
- Grant from Office of Rural Development in progress
- United Way of Allegan and Ottawa County
- Community Action of Allegan County
- We continue to seek funding partners for long-term impact.

### HOUSING EFFORTS IN ALLEGAN COUNTY



- 10 Homes for 10 Families
- Life Skills Classes
  - Homes of Hope





- Resource Workshops
- Credit RepairWorkshops
- Landlord Coalition



- Housing Workgroup
  - 26 Individuals from 15 Organizations
  - Implementing actions items from Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)





 Exploring models for building housing for summer theater cast and crew members and how that could be used the other 7 months of the year.

- On Allegan County side of Holland, completed 5 homes in 2022 and began 18 additional in 2023.
- Expanding critical home repair program into Allegan County.



- Received funding for the Statewide MSHDA Investing in Community Housing (MICH)
   Program to advance a New Infill Construction Encouragement (NICE) Program,
   building accessible and attainable housing.
- Expanding the Department of Energy's Weatherization Assistance Program to assist 78 homes each year.
- Emergency Rental, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance.
- Developed a training program and training site to provide hands-on training to Building Trade workforce students and link them to employers.





# MORE HOUSING EFFORTS

- Participation in MSHDA Statewide Housing Plan Regional Groups – Region F
- Many organizations dealing with emergency shelter.

### CONCERNS

- Clean Water
  - Access to
  - Affordability of
  - Third-party billers

### **Housing Highlights**

from the

### **2023 Community Needs Assessments**



Allegan County Board of Commissioners Meeting September 28, 2023

### **Background**

- CAAC completed two Community Needs Assessments in the summer of 2023
  - 1. Early Education Services: Head Start / Early Head Start
  - 2. Community Services Block Grant: Overall Service Portfolio
- Included both Primary Research (CAAC-initiated surveys, interviews, focus groups) and Secondary Research (Census Bureau, CDC, Kids Count, American Community Survey, etc.)
- Included a wide range of social determinants, needs, and perceptions of those in, or at risk of, poverty
- This presentation focuses on select findings from both Assessments related to housing.

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Key Findings

Statewide efforts to address housing needs for those in poverty.

Select Recommendations from:

2022 Michigan Poverty Task Force Report

#### **HOUSING, BASIC AMENITIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

- 18. Create Statewide Rental Housing Partnership Trust [SRHPT].
- Incorporate the Home Heating Credit application into the MI Bridges process.
- 20. Establish a Rental Registry to track lead abatement efforts in rental dwellings.
- 21. Eviction diversion programming.
- 22. Expand housing assistance to foster youth.
- 23. Alternative eligibility for foreign-born and nonresident Michigan homebuyers and/or renters.

### Housing affordability varies by area.

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA – Key Findings

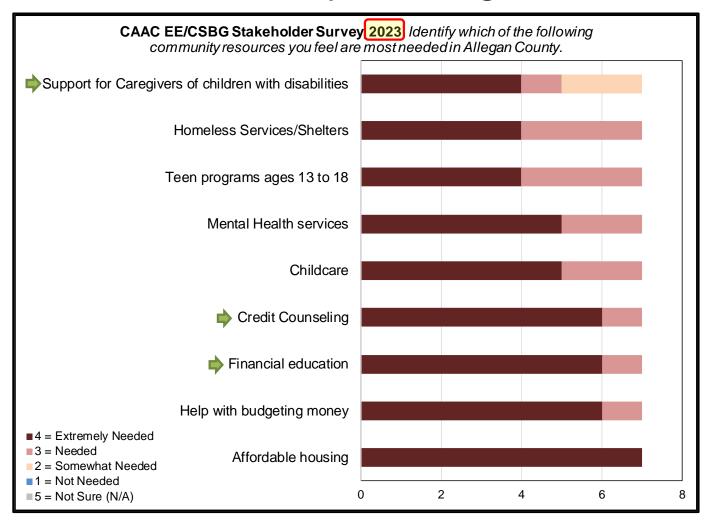
Key Data	Allegan City	Fennville	Holland-SW	Wayland
To afford Median Home	\$52.1K	\$58.5K	\$85.6K	\$73.1K
To Afford Median Rent	\$36.3K	\$30.4K	\$38.4K	\$34.7K
% Cost Burdened HH - Mortgaged	23%	28%	18%	20%
% Cost Burdened HH – Not Mortg	11%	15%	10%	10%
% Cost Burdened HH - Renter	40%	29%	35%	38%
Homeownership %: White, Hispanic	83.4, 58.7	85.4, 74.3	87.2, 66.0	88.6, 67.4
Housing Policy Matchmaker Type	Low Cost, Growing	Moderate Cost, Stable	Moderately High Cost, Growing	Moderate Cost, Growing
Strength & Need Type	Low Strength, Low need	High Strength, Low need	High Strength, Low need	High Strength, Low need
5 Yr Owner / Renter Production Gls	121/90	78 / 37	120 / 69	185 / 63
Conv / Assist Mort Approv Rates	83% / 76%	77% / 66%	83% / 73%	84% / 79%

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Key Findings

2022 Community Health Needs Assessment	2022 Community Health Improvement Plan		
Priority Needs Goal		Objectives	
Mental and Behavioral     Health, including substance     use disorder, addiction	Increase recognition and treatment of behavioral health conditions.	<ol> <li>Increase utilization of behavioral health services for those in need.</li> <li>Decrease the percentage of youth &amp; adults experiencing "poor" behavioral health.</li> <li>Decrease the percentage of youth using substances. (Allegan Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (ASAP))</li> </ol>	
2. Housing	Strengthen the Housing sector within Allegan County and increase collaborative solutions.	<ol> <li>Increase the percentage of residents with access to attainable &amp; safe housing options.</li> <li>Increase awareness and use of housing resources available in Allegan County.</li> <li>Strengthen the Allegan County homeless response system.</li> </ol>	
Food Security, including access and availability of fresh foods	Increase availability of healthy food options for residents, while also expanding supplemental food resources in Allegan County.	Increase the percentage of affordable & attainable healthy food resources for residents in Allegan County.      Increase awareness of health food resources available for residents in Allegan County.	
4. Lack of <b>Healthcare Providers &amp; Services</b> , including access to prenatal / perinatal care, broadband internet, availability of appointments, etc.	Increase capacity and use of a patient - centered, community - integrated, and quality system of care for Allegan County residents.	<ol> <li>Decrease the percentage of adults &amp; youth who are experiencing "poor" physical health.</li> <li>Increase the use of non-traditional services to meet health care needs for Allegan County adults &amp; youth.</li> </ol>	

2022 CHNA and CHIP

## 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA – Key Findings

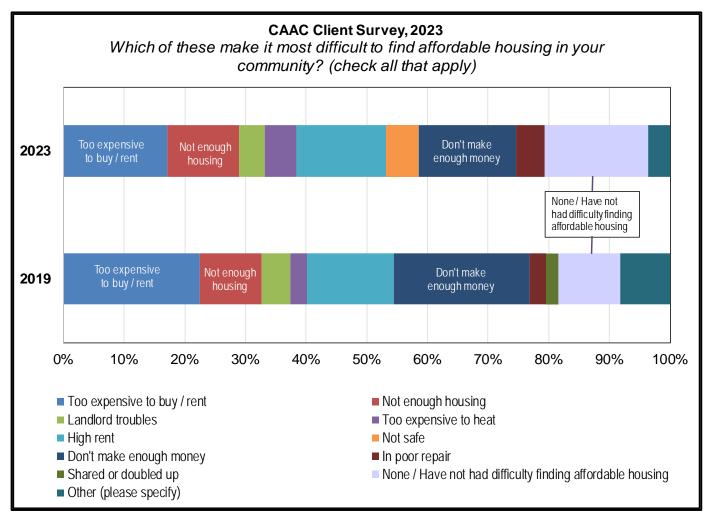


LP4 - CAAC Early Education / CSBG Stakeholder Survey

3 New Resource Needs with 6 Repeats from 2020 Survey.

Affordable housing had the highest need rating.

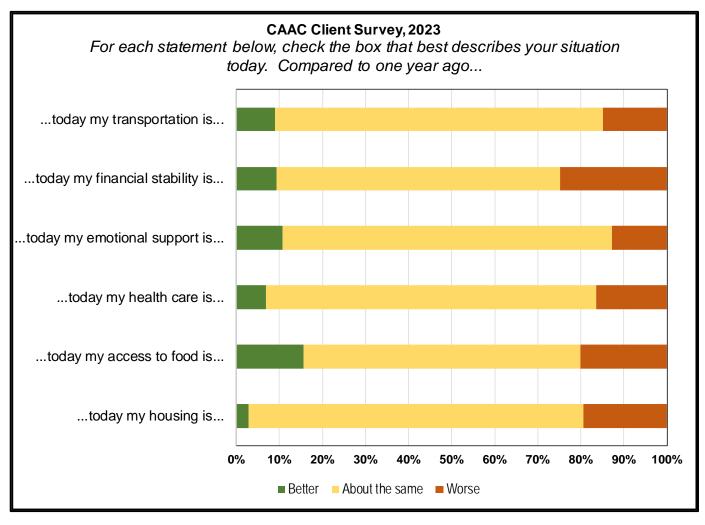
## 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Key Findings



LP9 - CAAC Client Survey

Three of the four most selected conditions were Too expensive to buy/rent, Not enough housing, and Don't make. enough money. Of these, only Not enough housing was proportionately a more common selection in 2023.

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Key Findings



LP9 - CAAC Client Survey

≈20% feel their housing is worse than one year ago...

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA – Key Findings

Good partnership potential for some key social determinants.

#### **LP6 - Local Stakeholder Interviews**

- ☑ Stephanie Calhoun, CEO/Executive Director, Allegan Co. Community Foundation
- ☑ Bill Brown, Superintendent, AAESA
- ☑ Don Wilkinson, Executive Director, Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity

Area	Possible Partnership Opportunity
Adult Education	<ul><li>? We do a lot at the Tech Center. Is CAAC aware? Scholarships?</li><li>? Financial planning for homeowners? Home maintenance?</li><li>✓ We may provide funding for a program.</li></ul>
Housing	<ul><li>? Possibly through Tech Center</li><li>? Volunteers for construction opportunities</li><li>✓ Leadership role (we are convener)</li></ul>
Transportation	<ul><li>? Open to discussion.</li><li>✓ Strong interest – state grants are available</li></ul>
Early Education	✓ We may provide funding for a program.
Senior Services	<ul><li>✓ Home repairs.</li><li>✓ We may provide funding for a program.</li></ul>
Food Insecurities	✓ Yes. Build on Food Pantry Collaborative.

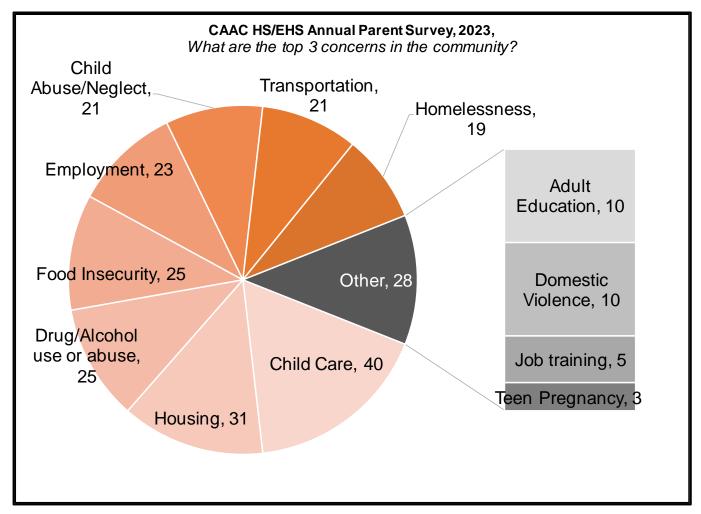
# 2023 Community Needs Assessments Early Education CNA — Key Findings

Students Experiencing Homelessness, K-12					
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
#	521	478	416	363	409
%	3.6%	3.3%	2.9%	2.6%	3.0%

The homeless rate for children has remained relatively constant.

Kids Count Data Center 10

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments Early Education CNA – Key Findings

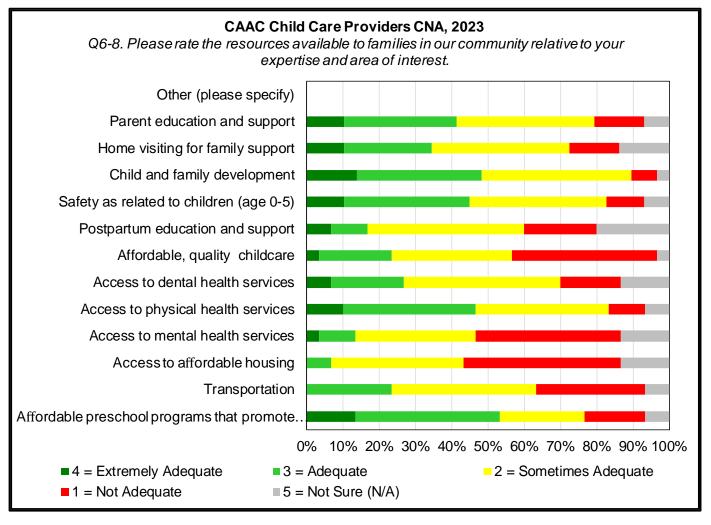


LP1 - CAAC Early Education Services Parent Survey

Respondents have concerns related to many different social determinants.

Child Care and Housing were the most frequently listed.

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments Early Education CNA – Key Findings



LP3 – Area Child Care Providers Survey

Items with the relatively poorest ratings were the same in 2023 and 2020:

- Access to Affordable housing
- Access to mental health services
- Affordable, quality childcare
- Transportation

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments Early Education CNA – Key Findings

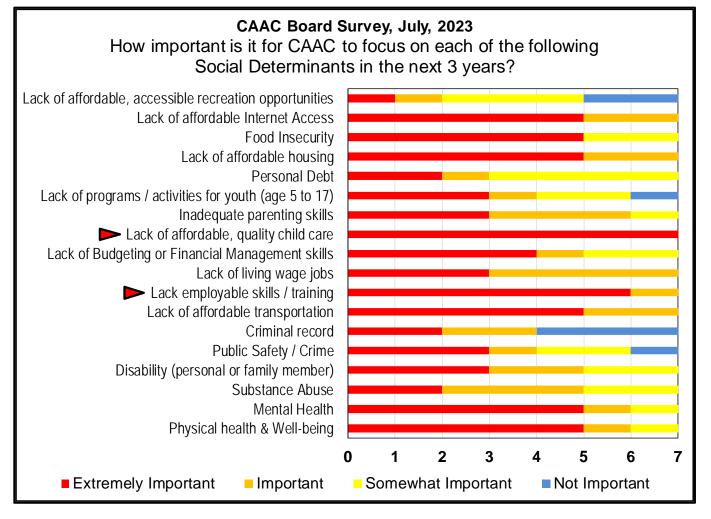
#### <u>LP5 – Early Education Stakeholder Interviews</u>

- ☑ Dr. Sara Franzen, Pediatrician, Ascension Health
- ☑ Becky Huberty, Coordinator, Allegan County Great Start Collaborative
- ☑ Lisa Letts, Personal Health Manager, and Lindsey Maunz, Planning & Preparedness Manager, Allegan County Health Department
- ☑ Lindsey Sichta, Director of Early Childhood Services, AAESA

Barrier	# Mentioning	Notes
Transportation	4	Not leveraging recent expansion of public transit system
Child Care	2	And "pre-school" options.
Parental Education	1	Includes unrealistic expectations, too much tablet time, lack of nutritious food
Affordable Housing	2	Leeds to frequent moves.
Awareness of Services	1	Kids 0-5 don't know what they need; parents may be distracted or need help themselves
Stigma (accepting help)	1	
Language	1	Lack of interpreters
Inflation	1	

Familiar items are among the list of most frequently mentioned barriers.

# Other Market Assessment Highlights 2023 CAAC Board Survey Results



LP13 - 2023 CAAC Board Survey Child Care and <u>Employable</u> Skills have the highest importance ranking among social determinants, followed by a 6 others... including **Lack** of Affordable Housing.

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Other Helpful Data

### **National Community Survey 2022**

#### **Conclusions**

- 1. Residents appreciate Allegan County's natural environment and recreational opportunities.
- 2. While there have been small gains in the local economy, it remains an area of opportunity.
- 3. Allegan County's engagement is on the rise, and residents feel a strong sense of community.
- 4. The majority of residents continue to perceive Allegan County as a safe place to live.

#### **Next Steps**

"After analyzing the results, we recommend using Polco to dig deeper into the following topics, with smaller more focused surveys:"

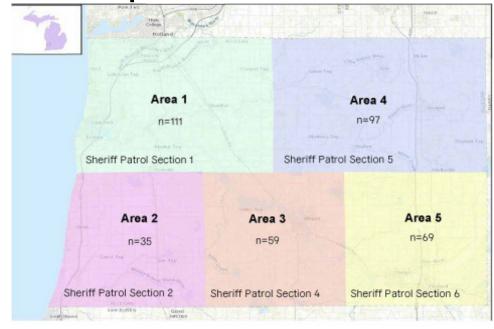
- Public transportation use
- Child Care & early childhood education
- Broadband internet access
- Older Adult needs and services

- Community design and housing
- Health services and concerns
- Recycling services

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Other Helpful Data

The importance of regional variation

2022 National Community Survey



Items <u>with significant decline</u> <sup>1</sup>	Area 1 NW	Area 2 SW	Area 3 SC	Area 4 NE	Area 5 SE
Ease of travel by public transportation	22%	5%	4%	17%	14%
Bus or transit services	35%	14%	3%	15%	33%
Recycling	65%	19%	45%	56%	68%
What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be: Very positive, Somewhat positive, Neutral, or Somewhat negative?	19%	12%	26%	6%	25%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> More than 8 percentage points to be statistically significant

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Compared to similar communities

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Other Helpful Data

### **2022 National Community Survey**

Detailed Item of focus related to last CAAC Strategic Planning...

	Item (Please rate)	2019*	2022*	Trend**
	Employment opportunities.	35%	43%	Similar
	Cost of living.	49%	52%	Similar
	Ease of travel by car.	83%	88%	Similar
<b>→</b>	Ease of travel by public transportation.	28%	15%	Much lower
<b>→</b>	Variety of housing options.	42%	31%	Similar
<b>→</b>	Availability of affordable quality housing.	35%	32%	Similar
	Availability of affordable quality health care.	41%	44%	Similar
	Availability of preventative health services.	36%	37%	Similar
<b>→</b>	Availability of affordable quality mental health care.	29%	27%	Similar
<b>→</b>	Adult education opportunities.	41%	44%	Similar
	Opportunities to participate in social events and activities.	40%	55%	Similar
	Opportunities to volunteer.	56%	63%	Similar
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds.	51%	47%	Similar

Items with arrows → were flagged in 2018 Results as having among the lowest ratings.

<sup>2019</sup> and 2022 %s are the % rating as excellent or good.

<sup>\*\*</sup> As compared to the National Benchmark.

# 2023 Community Needs Assessments CSBG CNA — Meta Analysis

Recommended areas of focus...

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LP – <b>CSBG</b> CNA	Discrimination	Substance Abuse	Child Care / Develop	Debt / Finances	Teen Pregnancy	Recreation, Activities	Transportation	Parenting Skills	Affordable Housing	Mental Health, Access	Transient, Immigrant	Wages, Living Wage	Food Insecurity	Adult Education	Medical Care, Access	Eldercare Needs	Child Poverty	Geog Areas of Need	Racial Disparity	Employment	Disability	Obesity / Diabetes	NOTES
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Our Work with the Homeless

## Names, Terms, Acronyms

- **HUD** US Dept of Housing and Urban Development
- MSHDA MI State Housing Development Authority
- COC Continuum of Care
- **BOSCOC** Balance of State Continuum of Care
- LPB Local Planning Body
- HARA Housing Assessment and Resource Agency

- **HUD** Funds homelessness programs
- MSHDA Coordinates state level homelessness planning
- COC 24 counties that access HUD funds directly.
- **BOSCOC** A collective "COC" for the 59 counties in the "balance" of the state. It interacts with the Local Planning Bodies



### **BOSCOC**

- Develops a long-term strategic plan
- Prepares HUD applications
- Gathers data on homelessness

**LPB** – 33 local planning bodies that:

- Bring key partners in the community together
- Appoint liaisons to attend BOSCOC
- Hold monthly meetings
- Plan and coordinate a housing and service system

**LPB** – 33 local planning bodies that:

- Ensure use of the CoCs Homeless Management Information System
- Conduct the local "Point in Time" (or PIT) count
- **Submit data** to Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (MCAH) and participate with MCHA on the **Housing Inventory Count (HIC)**.

### **LPB Agencies**

- OnPoint
- Community Action Allegan County
- United Way
- Allegan Homeless Solutions
- **Project Hope** (discount store, housing supplies, financial assistance for utility, deposit, arrearages)
- Christian Neighbors (case management for housing crises private \$ for security deposits, utilities, rent arrearages, etc.)

- Love, Inc (Transitional housing program, life skills training, furniture needs)
- People Helping People
- Volunteers of America (multiple counties; focused on military veterans)
- Veteran Administration (Battle Creek)
- Sylvias Place/ Resilience Domestic violence shelter
- Allegan Area Educational Service Agency (liaisons for homelessness in schools)

### **HARA**

• Every county has a **MSHDA-designated HARA** (Housing Assessment and Resource Agency). In Allegan County, OnPoint has been the HARA for over a decade.

## HARA oversees a Coordinated Entry System (CES) to

- Perform centralized intake and housing assessments (HARA and other agencies).
- Divert people from shelters
- Rapidly re-house the homeless.
- Maintain MSHDA Housing Choice Voucher (formerly, Section 8) with Homeless Preference waiting list.

### **HARA** constraints –

- Can only do what funding allows
- Depends on an adequate supply of safe, accessible and affordable housing in the county

## MSHDA Campaign to End Homelessness

### **Action Plan 2023-2025 Goal 1:**

"Increase amount of safe, accessible, and affordable housing targeted to households experiencing homelessness"

- Produce Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) units (non-SH) ...
- Produce 150 new Supportive Housing units ....
- Increase landlords accepting households experiencing homelessness ....
- Reduce the use of unnecessarily restrictive tenant screening practices ....
- Secure an additional \$20M for Supportive Housing services ....
- Expand Moving On initiatives to 3 Public Housing Authorities ....
- Identify & fund emerging housing models ...

## Categories of Homelessness

## **Category 1 – Literally Homeless**

HUD's Definition: "Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:

Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation; **or** Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); **or** Is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution."

## Categories of Homelessness

## Category 2 – At Imminent Risk of Homelessness:

HUD's Definition: "Residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance, no subsequent residence has been identified; and the individual or family lacks the resources or support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing."

- Allegan's Cat 2 is much smaller than other communities; can support 5 people/year.
- The prioritization of Category 1 is a public policy stance that emerged in the 2010 Campaign to End Homelessness.

## Ethics of Intervention

A dilemma we face when faced with limited housing options:

## What's the best option?

Living on the street,
housed in a marginally satisfactory home,
or under a marginally acceptable landlord?

## **Evaluating Success in Housing Development**

## **OnPoint's Request:**

As you develop housing plans in Allegan County,

please pay attention to the need for

<u>safe, accessible and affordable housing</u>

for those who at the beginning of their housing careers

and for those who face challenges along life's way.

# Allegan County

**Energy Management Planning** 

# Initiatives & Efforts

- > County energy mgmt. plan
- > Energy star appliances
- > Heating and cooling
- Lighting
- > Technologies
- > Hybrid work environments
- Solar panels
- Wind turbine
- > Geothermal

## County Energy Management Plan

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Air conditioning activates when the temperature exceeds 74 degrees Heating activates when the temperature drops below 68 degrees HVAC fans will remain in continuous operation while facilities are occupied

Use of space heaters or fans not placed by Facilities Management is prohibited in all County-owned facilities. Facilities will work with Department Heads when the above temperature parameters cannot be met for an extended period of time to utilize portable equipment to attempt to maintain parameters

Use of coffee mug warmers is prohibited in all County-owned facilities

Coffee brewing, heating, etc. appliances are permitted one-per-department only

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Microwave ovens, toaster ovens, toasters, beverage machines and all other powered food preparation appliances are permitted only in central break/lounge/cafeteria areas except in the case of departmental commercial kitchens

Personal electronics that are plugged into a buildings' electrical system are prohibited in all County-owned facilities. County-owned televisions used for program purposes are permitted; and Department Heads may permit a limited number of personal radios within their Departments at the Department Heads discretion

Potpourri cookers, air freshener plug-ins, air cleaners, dehumidifiers, and humidifiers are prohibited in all County-owned facilities

Overhead fluorescent interior lighting shall be used in County-owned facilities; employees will not be permitted to use incandescent table lamps, desk lamps, floor

lamps, spot lamps, torch lamps, etc. Fluorescent task lighting supplied as a part of the County's modular furniture may be utilized within the workspace.

Exterior lighting at the Jail/Sheriff Complex, Juvenile Detention Center, and Medical Care Facility will operate 24/7. Exterior lighting in all other facilities will activate one hour before business commences at the facility until light and end one hour after business ends at the facility once dark. Lighting will be activated for Custodial operations based upon the Team Cleaning Schedule for each facility. In general terms exterior lighting will operate 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Flag lights will operate 24/7 as we do not have adequate staff to raise and lower the flag each day. Department Heads may request on a limited basis for exterior lighting to be activated for special program events that may be scheduled to take place outside of the normal schedule. These special requests should be kept to a minimum and grouped together whenever possible.

Timed electronic shower control valves are installed at the Jail and will continue to be installed at the Jail and Juvenile Detention Center as the maintenance budget allows to reduce water consumption

Lavatory faucets have been replaced and will continue to be replaced in all facilities with low-flow models as the maintenance budget allows to reduce water consumption

The Finance Director and I will be monitoring this regularly throughout the year and will raise any concerns we have with the COW.

#### SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Individuals requesting special consideration for an exception to the policy must bring such request(s) to their respective Department Head. A Department Head making a request for special consideration to the policy for either an individual, group of individuals, or a program purpose, must submit the request in writing via email to the Facilities Management Director. Adequate advance notice shall be provided for consideration of any action that may be taken. The request must provide specific detail of the special consideration, including the impact of the regulation upon the department if the request is not granted, and the relief that the department head intends to achieve if the request is granted.

Requests will be evaluated by the Facilities Management Director and County Administrator to assess impact on health/safety, the integrity of the energy management plan, department operations, and impact on budget as the major contributing factors to granting/denying the request.

# **Energy Usage**

All Buildings		2023 (forecast)*	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
TOTAL COST - ELECTRIC	\$	721,000.00	\$ 678,425.61	\$ 692,176.92	\$ 653,250.28	\$ 721,887.29	\$ 775,026.46	\$ 713,990.45
TOTAL USAGE -ELEC(kwh)		5,012,300	5,136,852	5,206,163	5,133,877	5,713,486	6,029,591	5,660,020
Electric usage YoY	,	-2%	-8%	18%	-27%	8%	0%	
TOTAL COST - GAS	\$	170,000.00	\$ 218,144.00	\$ 180,503.13	\$ 99,971.08	\$ 145,973.98	\$ 174,078.98	\$ 160,254.52
TOTAL USAGE - GAS(ccf)	\$	165,000	214,510	233,542	198,738	270,865	251,549	251,549
Gas usage YoY	1	-23%	-1%	1%	-10%	-5%	7%	

<sup>\*</sup> As of expenses incurred January-August

## Lighting

- ▶ LED bulbs 5,800 interior lights replaced, 100 exterior replaced (as of Sept 2023)
  - ▶ Replacement and Reduction Plan began in 2019

	Energy Reduction	Wattage reduction	Estimated Annual Saving (based on avg 60 hr/week run time)
Exterior	75%	18,577	\$4,600
Interior	52%	86,065	\$32,000

- Automatic light switches
- Photo-cell parking lot lights w/ auto shut off
  - (prioritize security over efficiency, generally on dusk till dawn)

## Energy Efficient Appliances

- HVAC
  - ► Air handlers operate between 5:00a-5:00p (adjusted down from 10:00p)
  - ► Temperature set points at 68-72 (adjusted to 58-82 outside business hours) Economizers for shutting down or opening up dampers to bring in cooler air when available
  - System balancing. Fluctuate exhaust fans to vent smarter
  - Actively managing control system
- Printers / copiers
  - energy star compliant
  - Automatic fuser shutdown / sleep

## Technology

- Virtual servers: 8-1 ratio (164 servers in operation)
  - ▶ 127 are virtual hosts X 450watt power supplies = ~\$70,000/year saved in energy costs
  - ▶ Addn'l savings of a physical device @ \$2,500-3,000 = \$380,000 saved every 3 years
- Energy savings desktops 17% reduction in power needs (from 240 to 200 watts)
- Deploying more laptops over desktops 67% reduction in power needs
  - ▶ (100) desktops replaced by laptops over last 4 years
- Cloud apps and long term storage backups
  - ▶ (11) Cloud application solutions no need for local server(s)
  - ▶ (3) more cloud systems in next 12 months
- Phone system shuts down phone displays outside of business hour
- Monitors set to power save mode

## **Hybrid Work Environments**

- Reduced equipment electricity
- Reduced lighting
- Reduced heating/cooling needs
- Reduced waste/trash
- Reduced water and sewer

## Next Steps

- Reinforce the energy management plan
- Continue to seek energy saving equipment during replacement cycles
- Incorporate energy savings solutions into new building constructions

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

#### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

#### 2023-24 BOARDS & COMMISSIONS PER DIEM

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Allegan County Board of Commissioners (Board) does hereby revise the following Boards and Commissions per diem compensation effective January 26, 2023; and

Boards & Commissions	Per Diem Rate
911 Operational Policy & Procedure	\$50
Committee	
Area Agency on Aging of W.	\$50
Michigan Board of Directors	
Board of Canvassers	\$50 half day/\$100
	full day
Board of Public Works	\$50
Boundary Commission	\$50 half day/\$100
	full day
Broadband Action Workgroup	\$50
Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	\$50
Building Authority	\$50 (Non-County
	Employees)
Commission on Aging	\$50
Community Corrections Advisory	\$50
Board	
Economic Development Commission	\$50
Human Services Board	\$50
Jury Board	\$50 half day/\$100
	full day
Local Emergency Planning Committee	\$50
Parks Advisory Board	\$50
Soldiers & Sailors	\$50
Solid Waste Planning Committee	\$50
Tourist Council	\$50
Water Study Workgroup	\$50
West Michigan Regional Planning	\$50
Committee	
The total meeting(s) time in one (1	) day more than

The total meeting(s) time in one (1) day more than four (4) hours shall be considered one (1) full day. The total meeting(s) time in one (1) day of four (4) hours or less shall be considered one half (1/2) day. In the event an individual is a member of more than one board or commission and they may attend multiple meetings in a single day, the total per diem for that day shall not exceed \$100. Travel time is included.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members shall also be eligible to receive mileage reimbursement at the 60% of the current IRS rate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that only members not already receiving compensation as part of their regular work duties or paid for by another source when attending meetings shall receive per diem and mileage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board shall review per diem in accordance with term or compensation review; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this action shall become an attachment to the Board Rules of Organization.

Moved by Commissioner Beltman, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the per diem rates in the attached schedule and award mileage at 60% of the Federal rate. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: Storey, DeYoung, Kapenga and Beltman. Nays: Dugan.

ATTEST, A TRUE COPY

\_\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk-Register

APPROVED: January 26, 2023

cc: Admin. - Finance - Human Resources