

2025 Community Needs Assessment



Background

The Community Needs Assessment (CNA) is performed every three years to satisfy the requirements for the Community Services Block Grant and Head Start. It is also a means to assess the effectiveness of the programs in the organization and satisfaction of the clients served. With this information, our agency is able to better assess future programming.

This CNA is a component of the Results Oriented Management and Accountability (ROMA) framework, shown below, as used in Community Action Agencies.

ASSESSMENT

Community needs and resources, agency data

EVALUATION

Analyze data, compare with benchmarks

ROMA



PLANNING

Use agency mission statement and assessment data to identify results and strategies

ACHIEVEMENT OF RESULTS

Observe and report progress

IMPLEMENTATION

Services and strategies produce results

Mission Statement

Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership helps and empowers at risk individuals and families meet their basic needs and increase their independence through support and education.

Vision

Eastern Idaho Community Action partnership creates opportunities for individuals and families to reach their highest level of independence and self-sufficiency. EICAP is widely recognized and respected by the public as a community asset that makes a difference in people's' lives. EICAP Board of Directors, staff and volunteers work efficiently with community partners to expand our role and impact in the community by responding to local needs.

The Promise of Community Action

Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.



Head Start

Our programs provide comprehensive child development and holistic family support services to infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and their families.



Weatherization

The weatherization program at EICAP is designed to reduce heating and cooling costs for income eligible families by improving the energy efficiency of their homes and ensuring their health and safety.

Family Services

We offer programs to assist households in time of need, such as help with utility bills, emergency assistance, rental assistance, and education assistance.



<u>Housing</u>

EICAP provides quality low-income housing for families, seniors, and disabled individuals throughout Eastern Idaho.

Senior Services

Senior Programs provide a suite of services including congregate and home delivered meals, coordination of in-home services, caregiver support, and adult protection services.



EICAP provided services to 19,245 individuals (10,580 households) in 2024. The above services are available within our service area.



Demographics



United States population: 332,387,540 12.44% in poverty Idaho population: 1,893,296 10.64% in poverty

Bingham Coun	ty	Bonneville Cour	nty	
Total Population	48,993	Total Population	127,056	
Poverty Rate (all ages)	10.98%	Poverty Rate (all ages)	9.51%	
Poverty Rate (<18)	13.34%	Poverty Rate (<18)	12.29%	
Butte County		Clark County		
Total Population	2,654	Total Population	776	
Poverty Rate (all ages)	21.34%	Poverty Rate (all ages)	12.71%	
Poverty Rate (<18)	27.23%	Poverty Rate (<18)	14.29%	
Custer County	/	Fremont County		
Total Population	4,411	Total Population	13,701	
Poverty Rate (all ages)	11.55%	Poverty Rate (all ages)	9.76%	
Poverty Rate (<18)	1.63%	Poverty Rate (<18)	14.48%	
Jefferson Coun	ty	Lemhi County	/	
Total Population	32,234	Total Population	8,166	
Poverty Rate (all ages)	9.24%	Poverty Rate (all ages)	11.78%	
Poverty Rate (<18)	11.49%	Poverty Rate (<18)	11.19%	
Madison Count	.y	Teton County		
Total Population	53,578	Total Population	12,101	
Poverty Rate (all ages)	26.84%	Poverty Rate (all ages)	9.41%	
Poverty Rate (<18)	15.39%	Poverty Rate (<18)	8.06%	

EICAP Service Area description:

Population: 303,670 Area: 21,321.2 square miles

Poverty Rate (all ages): 12.57%

Poverty Rate (<18): 12.77%

Population by Gender

Bir	Bingham County			Bor	neville Co	unty
Male	24,598	50.21%		Male	63,711	50.14%
Female	24,395	49.79%		Female	63,345	49.86%
E	Butte Coun	ty		(Clark Coun	ty
Male	1,354	51.02%		Male	413	53.22%
Female	1,300	49.98%		Female	363	46.78%
C	uster Cour	nty		Fremont County		
Male	2,297	52.07%		Male	7,095	51.78%
Female	2,114	47.93%		Female	6,606	48.22%
Je	fferson Cou	unty		Lemhi County		
Male	16,537	51.30%		Male	4,152	50.84%
Female	15,697	48.70%		Female	4,014	49.16%
Ma	Madison County			Т	eton Coun	ty
Male	24,193	45.15%		Male	6,171	51.00%
Female	29,385	54.85%		Female	5,930	49.00%

Total Population by Gender

Report Location

EICAP Service Area					
Male	150,521	49.57%			
Female	153,149	50.43%			



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2019–25

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	Idaho	
Male	952,080	50.29%
Female	941,216	49.71%

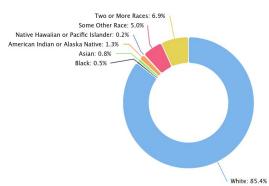
United States						
Male	49.50%					
Female	167,842,453	50.50%				

Population by Race

	White	Black	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Other	Two or More Races
Bingham County	38,751	133	201	2,624	25	3,253	4,006
Bonneville County	108,446	681	1,173	742	195	6,632	9,187
Butte County	2,449	0	0	1	8	22	174
Clark County	521	0	0	1	0	201	53
Custer County	3,967	12	117	19	0	43	253
Fremont County	12,171	39	7	155	13	575	741
Jefferson County	28,459	40	21	197	5	1,432	2,080
Lemhi County	7,521	1	21	63	27	109	424
Madison County	47,220	492	772	167	186	1,709	3,032
Teton County	9,967	0	6	106	0	1,133	889
EICAP Service Area	259,472	1,398	2,318	4,075	459	15,109	20,839

Total Population by Race Alone, Total

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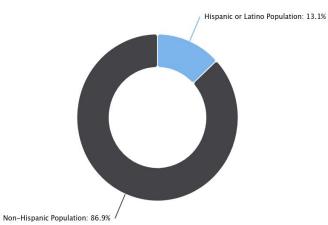


	White	Black	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Other	Mixed Race
Idaho	1,578,020	14,108	24,979	21,532	3,098	92,163	159,396
United States	210,875,446	41,070,890	19,352,659	2,924,996	629,292	21,940,536	35,593,721

Population by Ethnicity

	Total Population	Hispanic or Latino Population	Hispanic or Latino Percent	Non-Hispanic Population	Non-Hispanic Percent
Bingham County	48,993	8,619	17.59%	40,374	82.41%
Bonneville County	127,056	17,992	14.16%	109,064	85.84%
Butte County	2,654	206	7.76%	2,448	92.24%
Clark County	776	238	30.67%	538	69.33%
Custer County	4,411	131	2.97%	4,280	97.03%
Fremont County	13,701	1,656	12.09%	12,045	87.91%
Jefferson County	32,234	3,485	10.81%	28,749	89.19%
Lemhi County	8,166	148	1.81%	8,018	98.19%
Madison County	53,578	5,203	9.71%	48,375	90.29%
Teton County	12,101	2,069	17.10%	10,032	82.90%
EICAP Service Area	303,670	39,747	13.09%	263,923	86.91%

Total Population by Ethnicity Alone Report Location

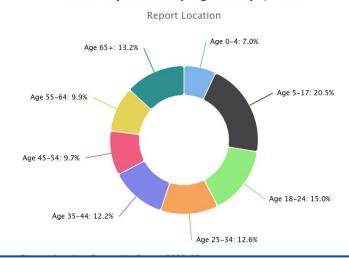


	Total Population	Hispanic or Hispanic of Latino Latino Percent		Non-Hispanic Population	Non-Hispanic Population, Percent	
Idaho	1,893,296	252,466	13.33%	1,640,830	86.67%	
United States	332,387,540	63,131,589	18.99%	269,255,951	81.01%	

Population by Age

	Age 0-4	Age 5-17	Age 18-24	Age 25-34	Age 35-44	Age 45-54	Age 55-64	Age 65+
Bingham County	3,438	11,132	4,342	5,681	6,493	5,203	5,446	7,258
Bonneville County	9,615	28,745	10,766	17,388	17,303	13,009	12,885	17,345
Butte County	128	577	176	333	331	163	418	528
Clark County	69	155	78	100	85	131	56	102
Custer County	111	380	229	185	362	652	898	1,594
Fremont County	835	2,464	1,112	1,760	1,729	1,592	1,771	2,438
Jefferson County	2,397	8,195	2,912	3,521	4,621	3,449	3,422	3,717
Lemhi County	381	1,114	637	444	969	806	1,330	2,485
Madison County	3,671	7,330	24,539	7,328	3,018	2,606	2,237	2,849
Teton County	705	2,098	818	1,478	2,063	1,744	1,564	1,631
EICAP Service Area	21,350	62,190	45,609	38,218	36,974	29,355	30,027	39,947

Total Population by Age Groups, Total



	Age 0-4	Age 5-17	Age 18-24	Age 25-34	Age 35-44	Age 45-54	Age 55-64	Age 65+
Idaho	113,266	349,901	185,810	245,155	246,246	213,799	224,728	314,391
United States	18,939,899	54,705,339	30,307,641	45,497,632	43,492,887	40,847,713	42,626,382	55,970,047

What is Poverty?

While holding focus groups, one participant asked us, 'What is your definition of poverty?' That question stopped us in our tracks and propelled us to define poverty for future respondents. In defining poverty we found that it can be described in many different ways. One agency may define it based on income, another by assets and yet another by access. Even within EICAP, each program has different required thresholds to follow for providing assistance.

For uniformity, we will use the definition of poverty from the Department of Health and Human Services which is shown in the table below.

Persons in family/household: Poverty guideline					
1: \$15,650	5: \$37,650				
2: \$21,150	6: \$43,150				
3: \$26,650	7: \$48,650				
4: \$32,150	8: \$54,150				

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,500 for each additional person.

Population in Poverty by Gender

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2,712	11.19%		Male	4,975	7.93%
2,588	10.77%		Female	6,947	11.09%
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198	14.75%		Male	55	13.45%
363	28.21%		Female	43	11.88%
Custer County			Fremont County		inty
272	12.07%		Male	452	6.84%
231	10.99%		Female	830	12.72%
erson Cou	unty		Lemhi County		nty
1,395	8.49%		Male	358	8.77%
1,572	10.04%		Female	589	14.89%
dison Cou	inty		Т	eton Coun	ty
3,383	17.04%		Male	457	7.43%
8,453	34.86%		Female	679	11.47%
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EICAP Service Area					
Male	14,257	9.89%			
Female	22,295	15.19%			

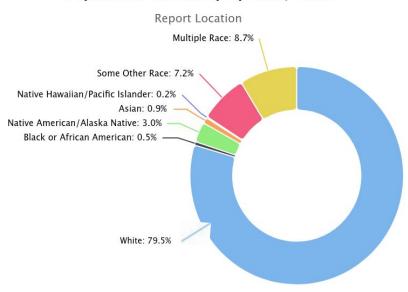
	Idaho	
Male	86,953	9.41%
Female	109,107	11.87%

United States				
Male	18,016,757	11.26%		
Female	22,373,288	13.60%		

Population in Poverty by Race

	White	Black	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Other	Two or More Races
Bingham County	3,613	6	0	674	0	583	424
Bonneville County	9,285	87	202	310	9	814	1,215
Butte County	481	87	202	310	9	0	80
Clark County	69	0	0	0	0	17	12
Custer County	481	0	0	16	0	0	0
Fremont County	958	4	0	6	0	92	222
Jefferson County	2,182	0	0	11	0	528	246
Lemhi County	812	0	6	0	0	24	105
Madison County	10,518	82	116	3	51	333	733
Teton County	676	0	0	73	0	238	149
EICAP Service Area	29,075	185	324	1,093	60	2,629	3,186

Population in Poverty by Race, Total



	ldaho	United States
White	151,675	20,312,310
Black	2,343	8,404,656
Asian	2,450	1,884,376
American Indian or Alaska Native	5,002	617,308
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	562	104,976
Other	13,858	3,933,913
Mixed Race	20,170	5,132,506

Population in Poverty by Ethnicity

	Hispanic or Latino Population	Hispanic or Latino Percent	Non-Hispanic Population	Non-Hispanic Percent
Bingham County	878	10.24%	4,422	11.14%
Bonneville County	2,350	13.19%	9,572	8.90%
Butte County	40	19.51%	521	21.49%
Clark County	27	11.44%	71	13.27%
Custer County	0	0%	503	11.89%
Fremont County	449	29.54%	833	7.17%
Jefferson County	846	24.42%	2,121	7.41%
Lemhi County	11	8.40%	936	11.84%
Madison County	1,119	28.34%	10,717	26.69%
Teton County	357	17.36%	779	7.78%
EICAP Service Area	6,077	15.96%	30,475	12.06%

Population in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone 29.54 28.34 30 26.69 24.42 21.49 19.51 % 20 17.36 16.89 15.96 13.19 13.27 12.06 11.84 11.39 10 Hispanic / Latino Not Hispanic / Latino Bingham County, ID Bonneville County, ID Report Location Butte County, ID Clark County, ID Custer County, ID Fremont County, ID Jefferson County, ID

Teton County, ID

Idaho

	Hispanic or Latino Population	Hispanic or Latino, Percent	Non-Hispanic Population	Non-Hispanic, Percent
Idaho	36,784	14.94%	159,276	9.97%
United States	10,467,411	16.89%	29,922,634	11.39%

Madison County, ID

Lemhi County, ID

United States

Population in Poverty by Age

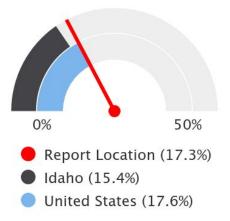
	Age 0-17	Age 18-64	Age 65+
Bingham County	1,909	2,845	546
Bonneville County	4,665	6,081	1,176
Butte County	192	286	83
Clark County	32	63	3
Custer County	8	388	107
Fremont County	452	691	139
Jefferson County	1,215	1,460	292
Lemhi County	166	488	293
Madison County	1,678	9,902	256
Teton County	225	699	212
EICAP Service Area	10,542	12,903	3,107

	Age 0-18	Age 18-64	Age 65+
Idaho	57,171	113,364	25,525
United States	11,829,878	22,905,636	5,654,531

Population of Children Age 0-4 in Poverty

Bi	Bingham County		Вс	onneville County	
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate	Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
3,438	470	13.7%	9,519	1,508	15.8%
	Butte County			Clark County	
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate	Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
128	55	43.0%	69	12	17.4%
Custer County		Fremont County			
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate	Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
111	8	7.2%	788	175	22.2%
Je	fferson County		Lemhi County		
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate	Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
2,375	356	15.0%	381	54	14.2%
M	adison County			Teton County	
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate	Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
3,649	913	25.0%	705	106	15.0%

Ages 0-4 Poverty Rate



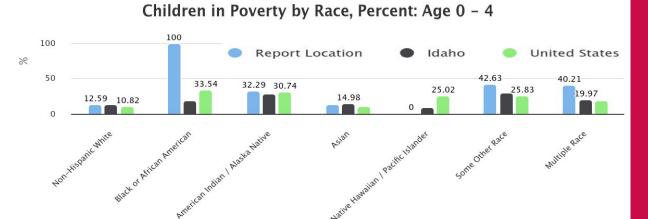
	United States	
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
18,590,246	3,268,155	17.6%

EICAP Service Area			
Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate	
21,163	3,657	17.3%	

Total Population	In Poverty	Poverty Rate
111,662	17,242	15.4%

Children Age 0-4 in Poverty by Race

	White	Black	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Other	Two or More Races
Bingham County	279	0	0	41	0	9	131
Bonneville County	822	9	0	0	0	209	337
Butte County	55	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clark County	8	0	0	0	0	3	1
Custer County	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fremont County	121	0	0	0	0	0	54
Jefferson County	124	0	0	0	0	183	49
Lemhi County	25	0	0	0	0	0	29
Madison County	545	0	10	0	0	0	329
Teton County	0	0	0	73	0	33	0
EICAP Service Area	1,987	9	10	114	0	437	930



	White	Black	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Other	Mixed Race
Idaho	9,923	213	135	389	16	1,653	3,344
United States	940,289	836,524	93,849	52,476	9,960	372,707	609,809

Survey Results

EICAP distributed the Community Needs Assessment surveys from May - June 2025.

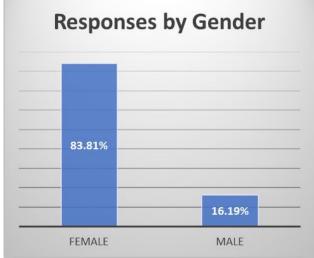
Surveys were distributed to agency staff, agency clients, Community Partners, and the general public throughout EICAP's service area.

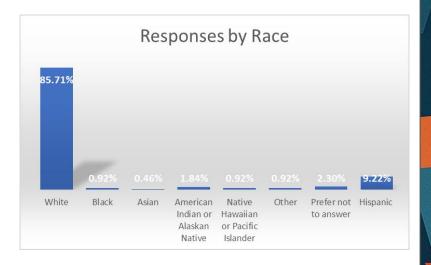
Surveys were available in paper form, as a fillable electronic form or as a link to Survey Monkey.

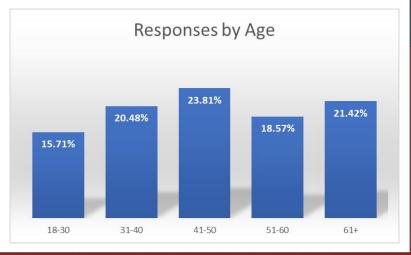
218 completed surveys were collected

See appendix for survey questions



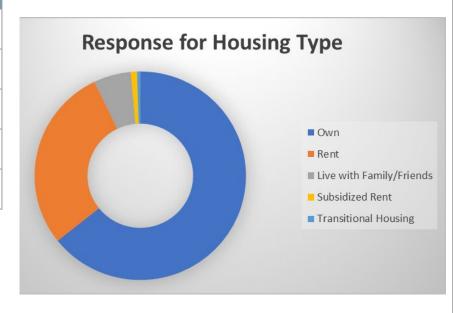




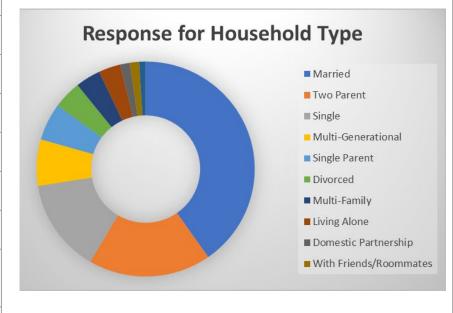


Survey Results

Current Housing Type				
Own	64.29%			
Rent	28.57%			
Live with Friends	5.71%			
Subsidized Rent	.95%			
Transitional Housing	.48%			



Current Household Type					
Married	39.95%				
Two-Parent	18.06%				
Single	13.89%				
Multi-Generational	6.94%				
Single Parent	5.56%				
Divorced	4.17%				
Multi-Family	3.70%				
Living Alone	3.24%				
Domestic Partnership	1.39%				
With Friends / Roommates	1.39%				
Separated	.93%				



Top Community Needs



debt. I'm having a hard time paying off the debt.

Poverty can be described in many ways. It may be measured by income, assets, or access to resources. Generally, it is defined as the condition in which a person or household lacks the financial means to meet a minimum standard of living.

Perceptions of poverty vary within society. Often, poverty is associated with limited housing options, unreliable transportation, or reduced access to goods and services. However, the lived experience of poverty is diverse and cannot always be observed outwardly.

Not all families who fall within the Federal Poverty Guidelines identify as living in poverty. For example, a young family living on a single income may meet basic needs and occasionally afford discretionary expenses. While this household may be classified as "in poverty" by federal standards, they may not perceive themselves that way. This highlights the complexity of how poverty is defined, measured, and experienced.



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Top Need: Housing

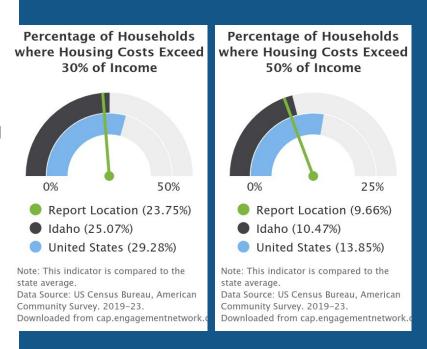
Housing needs across EICAP's service area vary significantly. In some communities, housing units are available but remain unaffordable for many households. In other areas, particularly rural communities, the challenge is compounded by a limited supply of housing, with few or no units available. These conditions highlight both affordability and availability as critical barriers to meeting local housing needs.

Affordable Housing:

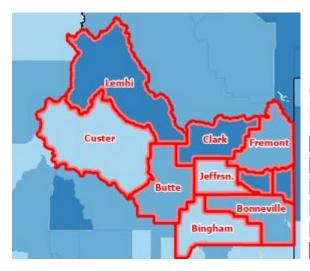
Housing availability is increasing in certain areas of EICAP's service region. According to U.S. Census data, the number of housing units grew by nearly 16% between 2015 and 2024, primarily in urban communities, while some rural areas experienced a decline in available units. Despite this growth, concerns remain, with one respondent noting that new housing is "too little, too late."

Newly developed housing communities typically have monthly rental rates higher than existing properties, often placing them out of reach for many residents. Affordability continues to be a significant barrier to accessing safe and adequate housing throughout the service area.

The average monthly housing cost for survey respondents is \$956.60/month.



According to the Community Action
Partnership National Data
Hub, **33.42%** of EICAP's service area are 30% to 50% cost burdened.



Cost Burdened Households (Housing Costs Exceed 30% of Household Income), Percent by County, ACS 2019-23

Over 35.1%

28.1 - 35.0%

21.1 - 28.0% Under 21.1%

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Report Location

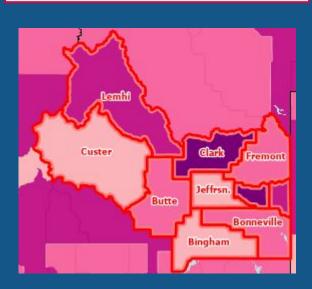
Top Need: Housing

Lack of Options:

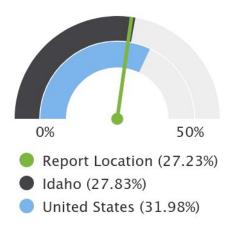
In several outlying areas, available housing is often in poor condition and requires significant repairs. Limited access to contractors willing to travel to rural locations exacerbates the challenge. Substandard housing is frequently associated with high maintenance and utility costs, with some households facing utility expenses of several hundred dollars per month.

In areas with higher tourism, housing availability is further constrained by the prevalence of short-term rental properties. Local businesses report difficulty attracting and retaining employees due to the limited availability of affordable, adequate housing.

47.71% of survey respondents report the condition of their residence needing some improvements.



Occupied Housing Units with One or More Substandard Conditions, Percent



Note: This indicator is compared to the state average.

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2019-23.

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Substandard Housing Units, Percent of Total by County, ACS 2019-23

Over 34.0%

28.1 - 34.0%

22.1 - 28.0%

Under 22.1%

No Data or Data Suppressed

Report Location

- Area school districts are reporting an extreme increase in homelessness
- Residents in Rexburg have difficulty finding non-student housing
- Rural areas report a lack of Senior housing.

Unmet housing needs contribute to housing instability, financial strain, and health challenges for families, while also impacting children's education, workforce retention, and overall community stability.

Top Need: Income

Having enough income is important for families to cover basic needs like housing, food, transportation, childcare, and healthcare. In EICAP's service area, many families struggle with low wages, employment availability, and rising living costs. These challenges make it hard to stay financially stable and plan for the future.

Low Wages:

Finding employment that provides a living wage in Eastern Idaho can be challenging. Smaller communities often have limited employers, while in larger communities, higher-paying positions typically require advanced skills or education that may be out of reach for many job seekers.

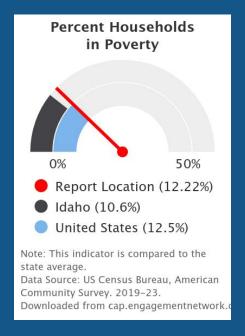
Many communities in EICAP's service area have economies centered around agriculture, relying heavily on manual labor, migrant workers, and seasonal employment, which are often associated with low wages.

Similarly, jobs in tourism-based communities frequently offer limited pay, contributing to financial challenges for workers and their families.



Households Living Below the Poverty Level, Percent by County, ACS 2019-23





29.36% of survey respondents report difficulty accessing living wage jobs

40.26% of applicable survey responses cite low wages as the reason for getting or keeping a good job has been difficult in the last 12 months

75.01% of survey respondents have gross income of less than \$5,000/month

Employment Availability:

Securing employment that provides a living wage remains a challenge in many areas of EICAP's service region.

The availability of remote work, which expanded during the COVID-19 pandemic, has since declined, reducing opportunities for some job seekers.

Individuals entering the workforce also face difficulties, often lacking guidance on how to begin a career path.

In rural communities, residents frequently commute outside their area for employment, while some communities report that a significant portion of their workforce travels in from other locations.

Individuals with a criminal history face significant barriers to employment, as many employers are reluctant to hire applicants with prior convictions.

Unemployment, Rate by County, BLS 2025 - July



Income

56.87% of survey respondents have attained a college degree or professional certificate

46.23%
report
satisfaction
with their
education
level

58.44% of applicable responses report not having the right skills or experience or lack of job openings in their field



Looking at income needs in the community helps identify where families need the most support and what services can help them move toward financial security.

Meeting Basic Needs:

Meeting basic needs such as housing, food, healthcare, childcare, and transportation remains a challenge for many households in Fastern Idaho.

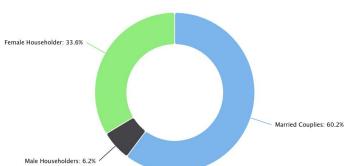
Income directly affects the ability to meet basic needs. Rising costs with limited income place families in difficult financial situations where they must often choose between essentials.

For some, this means delaying medical care, relying on food pantries, or living in substandard housing. When basic needs are not met, households experience instability that impacts health, education, and overall well-being.

> One interview commented that households are "teetering on the edge" when discussing meeting basic needs.

Families in Poverty by Family Type Report Location



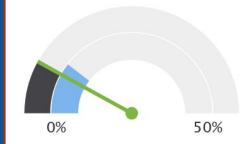


Income

57.48% of survey responses indicate the ability to pay basic needs as a top need affecting the community

> 83.81% of survey respondents have worried to some degree that their income might not cover living expenses each month

Ages 65 and Up Poverty Rate



- Report Location (8.0%)
- Idaho (8.3%)
- United States (10.4%)

Note: This indicator is compared to the state average.

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2019-23.

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Resource Awareness

Access to community resources plays a vital role in helping individuals and families meet their basic needs and work toward self-sufficiency. Resources such as food assistance, housing programs, healthcare services, childcare, transportation, and workforce development opportunities provide critical support for households facing financial or personal challenges.

Knowledge of Resources:

Awareness of community resources is often limited until individuals find themselves in need of assistance.

Focus groups and interviews frequently highlighted that community members are unsure where to go or how to begin when seeking support.

Navigating available options can feel tedious and overwhelming, particularly when multiple agencies must be contacted.

In some areas of Eastern Idaho, population mobility further contributes to the lack of consistent knowledge about available resources, as information can be easily lost or overlooked.

Accessibility:

Accessing community resources can present challenges for individuals seeking support. Services are often spread across multiple locations, requiring time and transportation to reach.

Many programs also involve extensive paperwork, which can be difficult for some individuals to complete without assistance.

In addition, limited operating hours may not align with work schedules, forcing individuals to take time off from employment and potentially lose income in order to access needed services.

Small rural communities report strong resources that are very involved in the community

65.14% of survey responses note difficulty accessing community resources

Resource Awareness

Accepting Help:

Many individuals are hesitant to seek assistance due to feelings of shame, embarrassment, or concern about being judged.

Pride also plays a significant role, with some cultures discouraging requests for help.

Some community partners noting that older generations, in particular, may be less willing to ask for or accept support.

Additionally, schools often serve as a hub of knowledge about community resources; however, for individuals who have had negative experiences in educational settings, schools may not feel like a safe or welcoming place to seek help.



Empower



When community members are aware of available services and can navigate them effectively, these resources reduce barriers, promote stability, and strengthen overall community well-being. Assessing the availability, accessibility, and awareness of community resources helps identify gaps and opportunities for improving support systems across the region.

Top Need: Food

Insecurity

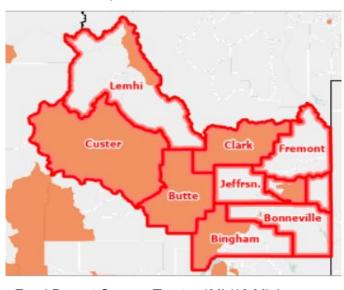
Food insecurity remains a significant challenge within the community, impacting individuals and families. It is defined as the lack of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life. Vulnerable populations—such as low-income households, seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities—are disproportionately affected.

Access to quality food remains a challenge for many community members.

Food pantries, while valuable, often operate with limited hours—sometimes only once a month—and rising participation has led to long wait times.

In addition, some communities within EICAP's service area are classified as "food deserts," where affordable and nutritious food options are scarce.

Residents in these areas frequently struggle with maintaining healthy diets, as nutritious foods are often more costly and less accessible than less healthy alternatives.



Food Desert Census Tracts, 1Mi./10 Mi. by

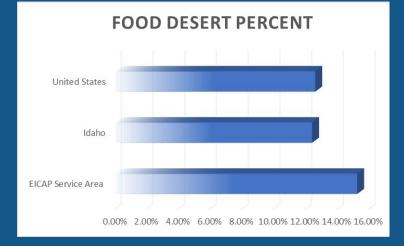
Food Desert Tract, USDA - FARA 2019

Not a Food Desert

No Data
Report Location



18.43% of survey respondents report having gone without adequate food in the last 12 months



Top Need: Child Care

Access to affordable, reliable, and quality child care is a significant need across EICAP's service area. Families often struggle with limited availability of licensed providers, long waiting lists, and the high cost of care compared to household income.

High costs relative to household income remain one of the most significant challenges, particularly for families with more than one child in care.

In rural areas, child care options are particularly scarce, requiring families to travel long distances or rely on informal arrangements. These barriers affect parents' ability to maintain stable employment, pursue education or training, and achieve financial stability. Addressing child care needs is critical to supporting both family well-being and workforce participation.

71.16% of survey respondents feel infants, toddlers, and school age children are an at-risk population in the community

40.28% of survey respondents list child care as one of the top five weaknesses in the community

30.28% of applicable survey responses indicate childcare as difficult to access

34.58% of survey respondents list child care in the top five community needs

Transportation

Transportation remains a critical need across EICAP's service area, particularly in rural communities where public transit is limited or unavailable.

Most communities in the service area are not walkable and lack public transportation options.

While Idaho Falls offers limited transit services, these do not extend beyond city limits, leaving surrounding areas without coverage.

Some outlying communities, such as Salmon and Driggs, have established local transportation services; however, these options remain limited in scope and availability.

Many residents rely on personal vehicles, yet the costs of fuel, insurance, and repairs create financial strain for low-income households.

Lack of reliable transportation limits access to employment, healthcare, education, child care, and other essential services.

Reasons for Limited Transportation

CAN'T AFFORD PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

LIMITED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

BIKING OR WALKING IS UNREASONABLE

NO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

CAN'T AFFORD FUEL

CAN'T AFFORD A CAR

SHARE A CAR

UNRELIABLE VEHICLE

18.98% of survey respondents list child care as one of the top five weaknesses in the community

20.42% of applicable survey responses indicate transportation services as difficult to access

21.50% of survey respondents list transportation in the top five community needs

Community Strengths

Our community has many assets that contribute to resilience and quality of life. Input from surveys, focus groups, and interviews helped identify the following key strengths.

Recreational Opportunities:

47.69% of survey respondents identified recreational opportunities as a community strength.

Many community members reported using exercise, hobbies, and meditation to help manage stress, highlighting the important connection between well-being and access to recreational activities.

Religious Involvement:

45.8% of survey respondents identified religious involvement as a community strength.

Many faith communities provide programs and assistance to support their members in achieving sustainability, with one interviewee noting, "Churches take care of their own."

Additionally, 28.5% of respondents reported managing stress, mental health, and loneliness through participation in religious activities.

Schools:

35.7% of survey respondents identified schools as a community strength.

Strong school pride in many areas helps build a close-knit community.

Schools strive to provide a safe and positive environment, with many offering weekend food programs to ensure students do not go hungry.

Additionally, when possible, families and community members give back through donations to support students in need.



Neighborhood Involvement:

25.5% of survey respondents identified neighborhood involvement as a community strength.

A strong sense of safety was also reported, with 93.6% of respondents indicating they feel safe in their neighborhood.



EICAP Services

Community Action Agencies promote self-sufficiency and support individuals and families striving to become economically secure while investing in the future of their local communities. We assess the needs of our communities and implement plans and services to address those needs.

Always very helping. I appreciate this assistance so much.

We're so pleased and grateful for this program.

Housing

Several programs are available to support housing needs:

- **1. Rental Assistance program** Provides support with rent payments and is in the process of expanding to include a Family Development component. This addition will offer education in financial literacy, nutrition, and life skills. EICAP also collaborates with community partners to connect families with resources beyond the scope of the program.
- **2. Weatherization program** Improves home energy efficiency and addresses necessary repairs, enhancing both the safety and quality of residences.
- **3. Housing program** EICAP owns more than 300 housing units designated for families, seniors, and individuals with disabilities, helping to ensure access to safe and affordable housing.

We've been so grateful for the extra help.

I don't believe you lack anywhere. When I needed help last year you direct me to the right places:)



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I don't feel judged here. I feel heard and helped when I voice my needs here. Thank you guys for being kind.

Income:

Several programs are available to support income needs:

- 1. **Energy Assistance program** Provides support with utility costs, helping households manage high winter heating expenses or prevent utility disconnections.
- 2. **Family Development program** (upcoming) Will assist households with a variety of living expenses, based on identified needs and eligibility.
- 3. **Tuition Assistance program** Offers financial support for educational expenses, including schooling or skills training, to promote long-term self-sufficiency.

Words cannot express how grateful we have been for your help. I would not have made it through last winter without your help.

I've been pleased with the communication and help. I have tried to catch up on the utilities for months, just can't seem to. Staff has made me very comfortable about embarrassing situations.

Resource Awareness:

Community resources play an important role in supporting residents. EICAP connects individuals to community partners for services that fall outside the scope of our programs, ensuring needs are met through collaboration.



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Food Insecurity:

To help address food insecurity, EICAP operates food pantries in three locations: Rexburg, Salmon, and Challis.

By providing access to nutritious food, it helps reduce hunger, improve health outcomes, and alleviate financial stress for those in need.

EICAP works with area Senior Centers to provide congregate and home delivered meals to senior residents of the service area. Through these programs, the agency supports health, independence, and overall well-being for vulnerable community members.

The meals are helping me balance my medical issues and I feel so much better!

Keep doing what you are doing helping people in need like me.

Child Care:

Head Start and Early Head Start programs offer comprehensive child development and high-quality child care that focuses on early learning, social and emotional growth, health, and nutrition.

Transportation:

Senior Services offers transportation services for eligible individuals age 60 and over to and from social services, medical and health care services, meals programs, senior centers and recreation locations.

Everytime I spoke to someone they were very nice and kind. They don't judge.

Very helpful and respectful.





Appendix

- 1) Works Cited
- EICAP Community Needs Assessment 2025 survey (sample)
- EICAP Community Needs Assessment 2025 survey results
- 4) Survey Distribution list
- 5) Focus Group schedule & discussion topics
- 6) Interview list





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Community Needs Assessment Survey 2025

We value your voice!

We want to understand your needs, concerns, and priorities.

Your feedback will help us identify strengths, address challenges, and shape future programs that reflect our community's needs.

This survey should take about 15 minutes to complete. All information is confidential.

1.	What community resources are you familiar with? (check all that apply)						
	☐ Childcare	\square Basic education services	\square Disability services				
	\square Domestic violence services	\square Financial education	☐ Food assistance				
	\square Health care	☐ Housing assistance	\square Information & referrals				
	\square Legal assistance	☐ Living wage jobs	\square Mental health/crisis services				
	\square Transportation services	☐ Utility bill assistance					
	☐ Other						
2.	What do you think are the three greatest strengths of your community? <i>(choose three)</i>						
	\square Affordable childcare	\square Affordable health care	\square Family togetherness				
	☐ Community group involvement	☐ Employment opportunities	\square Religious involvement				
	\square Neighborhood involvement	\square Recreational opportunities					
	☐ Schools	\square Affordable housing					
	☐ Other						
3.	recreational opportunities as you Yes No	sources to participate in as many socia would like to participate in?	il opportunities, sports activities, or				
4.	What do you think are the three gr	What do you think are the three greatest weaknesses of your community? <i>(choose three)</i>					
	\square Affordable childcare	\square Affordable health care	\square Affordable recreation opportunities				
	\square Alcohol/drugs	\square Child abuse	\square Domestic Violence				
	\square Employment opportunities	☐ Safety	\square Teen pregnancy				
	\square Transportation	\square Affordable housing					
	☐ Other						
5.	Which populations do you feel are most at risk in your community? (check all that apply)						
	☐ Infants & toddlers	☐ School age	☐ Teens				
	\square Single parents	☐ Parents	☐ Seniors				
	\square Persons with disabilities	☐ Unemployed	☐ Veterans				
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6.	What resources do you have the	have the most difficulty accessing? (check all that apply)			
	☐ Not applicable	☐ Basic education services	☐ Disability services		
	☐ Childcare	\square Financial education	☐ Food assistance		
	☐ Health care	\square Housing assistance	☐ Information & referrals		
	☐ Legal assistance	\square Living wage jobs	\square Mental health/crisis services		
	☐ Transportation services	☐ Utility bill assistance	\square Domestic violence services		
	☐ Other				
7.	What is your highest level of edu	ucation? (choose one)			
	☐ Grades 0-8	☐ Grades 9-12/Non-graduate	\square High school graduate/GED		
	\square Professional certificate	\square Some college	☐ Associate's degree		
	☐ Bachelor's degree	☐ Master's degree	☐ Doctorate degree		
8.	Do you have any of the following	g barriers to education or skills training o	opportunities beyond high school?		
	(check all that apply)				
	\square Satisfied with education	\square Cost of higher education	\square Lack of transportation		
	\square Lack of childcare	\square Lack of high school diploma/GED			
	\square Language barrier	\square Difficulty in school			
	☐ Other				
9.	Have you faced challenges in fir ☐ Yes ☐ No	nding employment due to education or s	skill level?		
10	. What is your current employme	nt status?			
	☐ Part-time	☐ Full-time	☐ Multiple jobs		
	\square Self Employed	\square Temporary/seasonal	\square Seeking employment		
	☐ Unemployed	☐ Retired	\square Not in the labor force		
11	. If getting or keeping a good job h why? <i>(check all that apply)</i>	nas been difficult for you or anyone in yo	our household in the last 12 months,		
	\square Not applicable	☐ Disabilities	\square Lack of childcare		
	\square Language barrier	\square Lack of job openings in my field	\square Low wages		
	\square Transportation costs	\square Immigration status	\square Need tools/clothing/equipment		
	☐ Recent layoffs/hours cut	\square Unable to find a job	\square Not the right skills or experience		
12	. Do you feel comfortable using to □ Yes □ No	echnology for work, school, or accessin	g services?		
13	. Which best describes your curre	ent housing situation?			
10	Own	Rent	☐ Subsidized rent		
	☐ Live with family/friends	☐ Transitional housing	☐ Homeless		

\square Not applicable	\square Moved multiple times	\square Choose paying rent vs basic needs
☐ Been evicted	☐ Homeless less than one week	☐ Homeless more than one week
\square Lived in shelter or transitio	nal housing \Box Shared housing to \Box	prevent homelessness
15. Do you feel safe in your neigh	borhood?	
☐ Yes ☐ No		
16. How much is your monthly re	nt/mortgage?	
□ \$0 - \$500	□ \$501 - \$1,000	□ \$1,001 - \$1,500
□ \$1,501 - \$2,000	□ \$2,001 - \$2,500	□ \$2,501 - \$3,000
\square \$3,001 or more	\square \$7,001 or more	
17. Which of the following best re	presents your opinion about your residenc	ee?
\square Good shape	☐ Needs minor repairs	\square Safe, but needs major repairs
\square Unsafe/poor condition	\square Needs accessibility improvements	3
18. Does your residence have add	equate heating/cooling?	
☐ Yes ☐ No		
10. Do you otweed a to reconstituted	oille?	
19. Do you struggle to pay utility b	JIUS (
☐ Yes ☐ No		
20. If anyone in your household h	as gone without adequate food in the last	12 months, why?
\square Not applicable	\square SNAP ran out	☐ Unaware of community resources
\square Not enough income	\square Not eligible for SNAP	
\square Lack of transportation	\square Alternative resources not available	
21. How do you manage your stre	ess levels/mental state/loneliness? (check	all that apply)
☐ Exercise	☐ Hobbies	\square Meditation
\square Prescription medicine	\square Other substances (alcohol, other)	\square Religious activities
\square None of the above		
22. What prevents you from acce	ssing healthcare? (check all that apply)	
\square Not applicable	\square Long wait times	☐ Cost
\square Lack of insurance	☐ Distance	\square No transportation
☐ Other	_	
23. If you are over the age of 60 ar	nd do not use an outside provider for assist	tance with household tasks, such as
*	ker services, please tell us why.	,
\square Not applicable	☐ Can't afford it	☐ Don't qualify
☐ Not aware of services	\square On a waiting list	\square Not comfortable with outside help

24.	What is your gross	(before taxes) r	monthly househ	nold inco	me?		
	□ \$0 - \$1,000		□ \$1,001 - \$2,	,000			□ \$2,001 - \$3,000
	□ \$3,001 - \$4,000)	□ \$4,001 - \$5	,000			□ \$5,001 - \$6,000
	□ \$6,001 - \$7,000)	□ \$7,001 or m	nore			
25.	Have you been ab	le to save mone	y for:				
	Emergencies		☐ Yes	\square No			
	Child(ren)'s Ec	ducation	☐ Yes	☐ No			
	Vacation		☐ Yes	□No			
	Retirement		☐ Yes	□ No			
26.	How often do you utilities) each mor	-	income might n	not cover	your liv	ing exp	enses (housing, food, healthcare,
	\square Always	\square Usually	☐ Sometimes	3	□ Rare	ely	☐ Never
27.	Do you have acces ☐ Yes ☐ No	ss to reliable tra	insportation?				
28.	What is your prima	-	•				
		\square Carpool	☐ Friends		☐ Ube	r/taxi	☐ Bicycle
	☐ Walk☐ Other		sportation/GIFT	•			
29.	If you have limited	transportation,	, why?				
	☐ Not applicable		☐ Can't afford	d a car		☐ Biki	ng or walking is unreasonable
	☐ Unreliable vehi	cle	☐ Can't afford	d fuel		☐ Lim	ited public transportation
	☐ Share a car		☐ No public ti	ransporta	ation		't afford public transportation
30.	If you are currently	/ participating ir	n any school, w	ork, or tra	aining p	rogram	s, what schedule works best for you?
	☐ Part-time		☐ Full-time		0.	☐ Day	
	☐ Evening		☐ Weekends			•	applicable
	☐ Other						SPP NOSWOO
21	What county do yo	ou live in?					
01.	☐ Bingham	☐ Bonneville	☐ Butte	☐ Clark	,	☐ Cus	ter
	☐ Fremont	☐ Jefferson	□ Lemhi	□ Madi		□ Teto	
	- Tromone	_ Jonerson	□ LCIIIII		13011	_ 10t0	· · ·
32.	What is your age?						
	☐ Under 18	□ 18 - 30	□ 31 – 40	□ 41 - 5	50	□ 51 -	60
	□ 61 - 70	□ 71 – 80	☐ Over 80				
33.	What is your sex?						
	\square Male	\square Female	\square Other				

34. What is your race/ethnicity? (che	eck all that apply)		
☐ Caucasian/White	\square Hispanic or Latin(o)/(a)	☐ Nati	ve American or Alaska Native
\square Asian or Asian American	☐ Middle Eastern	☐ Prefe	er not to answer
☐ Pacific Islander	\square African American/Black		
☐ Other			
35. Which best describes your hous	ehold?		
☐ Single	☐ Married	☐ Divo	rced
☐ Two parent	\square Single parent	☐ Mult	i-generational household
\square Living alone	☐ Domestic partnership	☐ With	friends/roommates
☐ Separated	☐ Multi-family household	☐ Prefe	er not to answer
36. How many people are in your ho	usehold?		
37. In your opinion, what are the top	five needs impacting your com	ımunity? ((choose five)
\square Ability to pay basic needs	\square Access to affordable hous	sing	☐ Childcare
\square Access to technology	\square After school programs for	kids	☐ Drug/alcohol services
\square Discrimination issues	☐ Domestic violence service	es	☐ English language classes
☐ Elder services	\square Employment opportunitie	S	☐ Health/health insurance costs
☐ Financial emergencies	\square Financial literacy		☐ Mental health & counseling
☐ Immigration issues	\square Job training/education		
\square Transportation	\square Access to food		
☐ Other			
38. Which EICAP services have you	previously used? (check all tha	t apply)	
\square Not applicable	\square Rental assistance		☐ Food pantry
☐ Head Start	\square Energy/utility assistance		\square Housing assistance
\square Early Head Start	\square Tuition Assistance		☐ Weatherization
\square Information & Assistance	\square Caregiver services		\square Senior meal services
☐ Other			
If you would be willing to take par	t in further discussions regar	ding any	of these topics, please write your
name and number/email address	S.		
Name:			
Phone number:			
Email address:			

Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions. We appreciate your feedback.

Visit our website at www.eicap.org for more information regarding EICAP.



Encuesta de Evaluación de Necesidades de La Comunidad 2025

¡Nosotros Valoramos tu Voz!

Nosotros queremos entender sus necesidades, preocupaciones, y sus prioridades.

Sus Comentarios nos ayudaran a identificar fortalezas, abordar desafíos, y dar forma a futuros programas que reflejan las necesidades de nuestra comunidad.

Este Encuesta solo debe tomar 10 minutos para completar. Todo Información es Confidencial.

1.	¿Con que recursos comunitarios estas familiarizado? (marque todo lo que corresponda)					
	☐ Cuidado de niños	☐ Servicios de educación básica	☐ Servicios para Discapacitados			
	☐ Servicios de Violencia Domestica	☐ Educación Financiera	🗆 Asistencia Alimentaria			
	☐ Cuidado de la Salud	☐ Asistencia para la Vivienda	☐ Información y Referencias			
	☐ Asistencia Legal	☐ Empleos con Salario Digno	☐ Servicios de Salud Mental/Crisis			
	☐ Services de Transporte	☐ Asistencia para la factura de Servi	icios públicos			
	☐ Otro					
2.	¿Cuáles crees que son las tres m	ayores fortalezas de tu comunidad? <i>(</i>	elige tres)			
	☐ Cuidado Infantil Asequible	☐ atención Medica Asequible	🗆 Reunión Familiar			
	\square participación del grupo comunita	rio□ Oportunidades de Empleo	\square Participación Religiosa			
	\square participación del Vecindarios	☐ Oportunidades Recreativas				
	☐ Escuelas	☐ Vivienda Asequible				
	☐ Otro					
3.	¿Su hogar tiene acceso a tantas oportunidades sociales, actividades deportivas y oportunidades recreativas					
	como le gustaría participar?					
	□ SI □ No					
4.	¿Cuáles crees que son las tres mayores debilidades de tu comunidad? (elige tres)					
	\square Cuidado infantil Asequible	\square atención Medica Asequible	\square Oportunidades Recreativas Asequible			
	\square Alcohol/Drogas	\square Abuso Infantil	\square Violencia Domestica			
	\square Oportunidades de Empleo	☐ Seguridad	☐ Embarazo Adolescente			
	☐ transportación	☐ Vivienda Asequible				
	☐ Other					
5.	¿Cuál población crees que están	¿Cuál población crees que están en mayor riesgo en tu comunidad? (marque todo lo que corresponda)				
	\square Infantil y niños pequeños	☐ Edad Escolar	\square Adolescentes			
	\square Padres solteros	☐ Padres	☐ Seniors			
	☐ Discapacitado	☐ Desempleado/a	☐ Veteranos			
	□ Otro					

ь.	¿A que recursos tienes mas dificu	ittades para acceder? (marque todo to	que co	rresponae)
	☐ Cuidado de niños	\square Servicios de educación básica	☐ Ser	vicios para Discapacitados
	☐ Servicios de Violencia Domestica	☐ Educación Financiera	☐ Asi	stencia Alimentaria
	☐ Cuidado de la Salud	☐ Asistencia para la Vivienda	☐ Info	ormación y Referencias
	☐ Asistencia Legal	☐ Empleo con Salario Digno	□Ser	vicios de Salud Mental/Crisis
	☐ Servicios de Transporte	☐ Asistencia para Facturas de Servio	ios púb	olicos
	☐ Otro	_	·	
7.	¿Cuál es tu nivel más alto de edu	cación? (elige uno)		
	☐ Grados 0-8	☐ Grados 9-12/No graduado	☐ Gra	nduado de segundaria/GED
	\square Certificado Profesional	\square Alguna Universidad	☐ Titu	ılo de asociado
	☐ Titulo	☐ Master		ctorado
8.	¿Tiene alguna de las siguientes ba escuela secundaria? (marque Tod	arreras para la educación o las oportui do lo que corresponde)	nidades	de habilidades más allá de la
	\square Satisfecho con la educación	\square Costo de la educación superior	☐ Difi	cultades escolar
	☐ Falta de Cuidado de niño	\square Falta de escuela secundaria diploma.	⁄GED□ I	Falta de transporte
	☐ Barrera de Idioma	☐ Otro		
9.	¿Te has enfrentado a dificultades □ SI □ No	para encontrar empelo debido a tu ed	ucación	n?
10.	¿Cuál es su situación laboral actu	ial?		
	\square Parcial	\square Tiempo completo	□ Múl	ltiples trabajos
	\square Trabajador por su Propio Cuenta	\square Temporal/estacional	☐ Bus	scando empleo
	☐ Desempleado	☐ Jubilado	□No	en la fuerza laboral
		n trabajo ha sido difícil para usted o pa rque todo lo que corresponda)	ra cualc	quier persona de su hogar en los
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	☐ Barrera de Idioma	☐ Falta de ofertas de trabajo en mi c	ampo	\square Bajo de ingresos
	☐ Gastos de transporte	☐ Estado de Inmigración		
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		☐ No son las habilidades o experiencia		las
12.	¿Te sientes cómodo usando la teo □ SI □ No	nología para el trabajo, la escuela o el	accesc	o a servicios?
13.	¿Que describe mejor su situación	de vivienda actual? (elige uno)		
	☐ Propio	☐ Rento	\square Alq	uiler Subsidiado
	\square Vivo con familia/amigos	☐ Vivienda de transición	☐ Sin	Hogar

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16.	Cuanto es su alquiler/hipoteca m	nensual? \$	
17.	☐ Buena forma ☐ Necesita re	representa mejor su opinión sobre su eparaciones menores	ro necesita reparaciones importantes
18.	¿Su residencia tiene calificación y □ SI □ No	y refrigeración adecuadas?	
19.	¿Te cuesta para pagar las facturas □ SI □ No	s de servicios públicos?	
20.	¿Si alguien en su hogar se ha que □ No se puede solicitar □ Ingresos insuficientes □ Falta de transporte	dado sin comida adecuada en los últir SNAP se acató Desconozo No elegible para SNAP Recursos alternativas no disponib	o de los recursos de la comunidad
21.		strés/estado mental/soledad? <i>(marque</i>	
	☐ Ejercicio☐ Medicina Recetada	☐ Aficiones☐ Otras sustancias (alcohol, otros)	☐ meditación☐ Actividades religiosas
22.	¿Qué le impide acceder a la atend No aplicable Falta de seguro médico Otro	ción medica? <i>(marque todo lo que cori</i> Largos tiempos de espera Distancia	responde) □ Costo □ Falta de transporte
23.	Si no utiliza un proveedor externo servicios de ama de casa, ¿por qu	para ayudar con las tareas doméstica ué no?	s, como comidas sobre ruedas o
	☐ No aplicable☐ No está al tanto de los servicio	\square No puedo permitirmelo	□ No Calidad□ No es cómodo
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25. Has podido ahorrar dine	ero para:			
Emergencias	□Si	□ No		
Educación del niño	□Si	□ No		
Vacaciones	□Si	□ No		
jubilación	☐ Si	□ No		
26. ¿Con que frecuencia te atención medica)?	preocupa que tue i	ngresos no cubran tu	ıs gastos de mar	nutención (vivienda, comida,
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□ Sicilipie □ N	omatmente i	AVC3C3	□ Nara VCZ	□ Nullea
27. ¿Tienes acceso a un tra	nsporte fiable?			
☐ Si ☐ No				
28. ¿Cuál es tu principal for	rma de transporte?			
\square Coche personal	☐ Coche comp	artido 🗆 Amigos	☐ Uber/taxi	☐ Bicicleta
☐ Andar	☐ Transporte pu	ublico		
☐ Otro	-			
29. Si tienes transporte lim	itado. Por qué?			
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uehículo poco confia	•		☐ Transporte	publico limitado
☐ Comparte un coche		_	-	pagar el transporte publico
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32. ¿Cual es tu edad?				
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□ 61 - 70	□ 71 – 80	□ Mas de 80		
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33. ¿Cual es tu sexo?		¬ •.		
☐ Masculino	☐ Mujer [□ Otro		
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34. ¿Cuál es tu raza/etnia?			□ .	
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Asiático o asiático-a			☐ Prefiero no	responder
☐ Isleño del Pacifico	☐ Afroa	mericano/Negro		
□ Other				

35. ¿Que describe mejor tu hogar?		
☐ Soltero	☐ Casado	☐ Divorciado
☐ Dos padres	\square Padre soltero	☐ Hogar Multigeneracional
☐ Viviendo solo	\square Asociación domestica	□ Con amigos/compañeros de cuarto
☐ Separados	☐ Hogar Multifamiliar	☐ Prefiero no responder
36. ¿Cuántas personas hay en tu cas	a?	
37. ¿En su opinión, cuáles son las cir	nco principales necesidades qu	e afectan a su comunidad? (elige cinco)
\square Capacidad para pagar necesidad	es básicas 🛚 Acceso a vivienda	s asequibles 🛘 Cuidado de niño
🗆 Acceso a la tecnología	\square Programas extraescolares į	oara niños 🔲 Servicios de Drogas/alcohol
\square Problemas de discriminación	\square Servicios de violencia dom	estica 🗆 Clases de ingles
\square Servicios para ancianos	\square Oportunidades de empleo	\square Gastos del seguro de salud/salud
\square Emergencias financieras	\square alfabetización financiera	\square Salud mental y asesoramiento
\square Cuestiones de Inmigración	☐ Formación/educación labo	ral
☐ Transporte	☐ Acceso a la comida	
☐ Otro		
38. ¿Qué servicios de EICAP ha utiliza		
□ No aplicable	☐ Asistencia de alquiler	☐ Despensa de alimentos
☐ Escuela de Inicio	☐ Asistencia energética y util	·
☐ Inicio temprano en la escuela		□ climatización —
☐ información y asistencia	☐ Servicios para el cuidador	☐ Servicios de comidas para personas mayores
☐ Otro	_	porcentae mayeree
Si está dispuesto a participar en m	nás discusiones sobre cualqu	uiera de estos temas, escriba su nombre,
numero/dirección de correo electr		
Nombre:		
Numero de teléfono:		
Correo electrónico:		

Gracias por tomarse el tiempo para responder a estas preguntas. Agradecemos sus comentarios.

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Q1 What community resources are you familiar with? (check all that apply)

Answered: 215 Skipped: 3

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Food assistance	70.70%	152
Utility bill assistance	55.81%	120
Health care	55.35%	119
Childcare	42.79%	92
Housing assistance	39.53%	85
Mental health/crisis services	38.14%	82
Domestic violence services	37.21%	80
Transportation services	34.88%	75
Basic education services	34.88%	75
Disability services	28.84%	62
Legal assistance	25.58%	55
Information and referrals	24.19%	52
Living wage jobs	15.81%	34
Financial education	13.95%	30
Other (please specify)	4.19%	9
Total Respondents: 215		

Q2 What do you think are the three greatest strengths of your community? (choose three)

Answered: 216 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Recreational opportunities	47.69%	103
Religious involvement	45.83%	99
Family togetherness	43.52%	94
Community group involvement	42.13%	91
Schools	35.65%	77
Neighborhood involvement	25.46%	55
Employment opportunities	13.43%	29
Affordable housing	11.11%	24
Affordable health care	8.80%	19
Other (please specify)	4.63%	10
Affordable childcare	2.31%	5
Total Respondents: 216		

Q3 Does your household have the resources to participate in as many social opportunities, sports activities, or recreational opportunities as you would like to participate in?

Answered: 217 Skipped: 1

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	58.99%	128
No	41.01%	89
TOTAL		217

Q4 What do you think are the three greatest weaknesses of your community? (choose three)

Answered: 216 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Affordable housing	64.81%	140
Alcohol/drugs	48.61%	105
Affordable childcare	40.28%	87
Employment opportunities	40.28%	87
Affordable health care	26.39%	57
Transportation	18.98%	41
Domestic Violence	14.35%	31
Child abuse	11.57%	25
Affordable recreation opportunities	11.57%	25
Other (please specify)	9.72%	21
Safety	5.09%	11
Teen pregnancy	0.93%	2
Total Respondents: 216		

Q5 Which populations do you feel are most at risk in your community (check all that apply)

Answered: 215 Skipped: 3

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Seniors	60.00%	129
Disabled	54.88%	118
Single parents	52.56%	113
Teens	45.58%	98
Unemployed	43.72%	94
School age	42.79%	92
Veterans	34.88%	75
Infants & toddlers	28.37%	61
Parents	15.35%	33
Other (please specify)	5.58%	12
Total Respondents: 215		

Q6 What resources do you have the most difficulty accessing? (check all that apply)

Answered: 218 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	34.86%	76
Living wage jobs	29.36%	64
Health care	20.18%	44
Childcare	19.72%	43
Legal assistance	18.81%	41
Mental health/crisis services	18.81%	41
Housing assistance	17.43%	38
Transportation services	13.30%	29
Financial education	11.47%	25
Disability services	11.01%	24
Food assistance	9.63%	21
Information & referrals	8.72%	19
Utility bill assistance	6.42%	14
Other (please specify)	4.59%	10
Domestic violence services	4.13%	9
Basic education services	2.29%	5
Total Respondents: 218		

Q7 What is your highest level of education?

Answered: 211 Skipped: 7

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bachelor's degree	25.59%	54
Some college	24.64%	52
High school graduate/GED	15.17%	32
Master's degree	10.90%	23
Associate's degree	10.43%	22
Professional certificate	7.58%	16
Grades 9-12/Non-graduate	2.84%	6
Doctorate degree	2.37%	5
Grades 0-8	0.47%	1
TOTAL		211

Q8 Do you have any of the following barriers to education or skills training opportunities beyond high school? (check all that apply)

Answered: 199 Skipped: 19

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Satisfied with education	46.23%	92
Cost of higher education	40.20%	80
Lack of childcare	14.07%	28
Other (please specify)	12.06%	24
Difficulty in school	7.04%	14
Lack of transportation	4.52%	9
Language barrier	2.01%	4
Lack of high school diploma	2.01%	4
Total Respondents: 199		

Q9 Have you faced challenges in finding employment due to education or skill level?

Answered: 211 Skipped: 7

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	18.01%	38
No	81.99%	173
TOTAL		211

Q10 What is your current employment status?

Answered: 211 Skipped: 7

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Full-time	53.55%	113
Retired	16.59%	35
Part-time Part-time	16.11%	34
Self employed	7.11%	15
Multiple jobs	7.11%	15
Not in the labor force	6.16%	13
Unemployed	4.74%	10
Temporary/seasonal	1.90%	4
Seeking employment	1.42%	3
Total Respondents: 211		

Q11 If getting or keeping a good job has been difficult for you or anyone in your household in the last 12 months, why?

Answered: 216 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	64.35%	139
Language barrier	0.00%	0
Transportation costs	0.93%	2
Recent layoffs/hours cut	4.63%	10
Disabled	6.02%	13
Lack of job openings in my field	11.11%	24
Immigration status	0.00%	0
Unable to find a job	8.33%	18
Lack of childcare	8.80%	19
Low wages	14.35%	31
Need tools/clothing/equipment	2.31%	5
Not the right skills or experience	9.72%	21
Total Respondents: 216		

Q12 Do you feel comfortable using technology for work, school, or accessing services?

Answered: 209 Skipped: 9

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	91.87%	192
No	8.13%	17
TOTAL		209

Q13 Which best describes your current housing situation?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Own	64.29% 135
Rent	28.57% 60
Live with family/friends	5.71% 12
Subsidized rent	0.95% 2
Transitional housing	0.48% 1
Homeless	0.00% 0
TOTAL	210

Q14 Have any of the following situations happened to you in the last 12 months? (check all that apply)

Answered: 215 Skipped: 3

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	72.56%	156
Choose paying rent vs basic needs	18.14%	39
Share housing to prevent homelessness	8.84%	19
Moved multiple times	6.51%	14
Been evicted	1.40%	3
Homeless more than one week	1.40%	3
Homeless less than one week	0.93%	2
Lived in shelter or transitional housing	0.47%	1
Total Respondents: 215		

Q15 Do you feel safe in your neighborhood?

Answered: 218 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	93.58%	204
No	6.42%	14
TOTAL		218

Q16 How much is your monthly rent/mortgage?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

Q17 Which of the following best represents your opinion about your residence?

Answered: 218 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Good shape	52.29%	114
Unsafe/poor condition	0.92%	2
Needs minor repairs	28.44%	62
Needs accessibility improvements	2.29%	5
Safe, but needs major repairs	16.06%	35
TOTAL		218

Q18 Does your residence have adequate heating/cooling?

Answered: 218 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	83.49%	182
No	16.51%	36
TOTAL		218

Q19 Do you struggle to pay utility bills?

Answered: 218 Skipped: 0

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	29.36%	64
No	70.64%	154
TOTAL		218

Q20 If anyone in your household has gone without adequate food in the last 12 months, why?

Answered: 217 Skipped: 1

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	81.57%	177
Not enough income	13.36%	29
Not eligible for SNAP	8.29%	18
SNAP ran out	4.61%	10
Alternative resources not available	1.84%	4
Unaware of community resources	0.92%	2
Lack of transportation	0.00%	0
Total Respondents: 217		

Q21 How do you manage your stress levels/mental state/loneliness? (check all that apply)

Answered: 207 Skipped: 11

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Exercise	51.21%	106
Prescription medicine	29.95%	62
Hobbies	74.40%	154
Other substances (alcohol, other)	9.18%	19
Meditation	18.36%	38
Religious activities	28.50%	59
Total Respondents: 207		

Q22 What prevents you from accessing healthcare? (check all that apply)

Answered: 216 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	55.56%	20
Cost	29.17%	63
Lack of insurance	12.04%	26
Distance	12.04%	26
Long wait times	10.19%	22
Other (please specify)	7.41%	16
No transportation	0.93%	2
Total Respondents: 216		

Q23 If you are over the age of 60 and do not use an outside service provider for assistance with household tasks, such as Meals on Wheels or Homemaker services, please tell us why.

Answered: 214 Skipped: 4

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Not applicable	89.25% 191
Not aware of services	3.27% 7
Can't Afford it	1.87% 4
On a waiting list	0.47% 1
Don't qualify	4.67% 10
Not comfortable	1.87% 4
Total Respondents: 214	

Q24 What is your gross (before taxes) monthly household income?

Answered: 208 Skipped: 10

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
\$3,001 - \$4,000	24.04%	50
\$2,001 - \$3,000	16.83%	35
\$4,001 - \$5,000	12.98%	27
\$1,001 - \$2,000	11.06%	23
\$7,001 or more	11.06%	23
\$0 - \$1,000	10.10%	21
\$6,001 - \$7,000	7.21%	15
\$5,001 - \$6,000	6.73%	14
TOTAL		208

Q25 Have you been able to save money for:

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

	YES	NO	TOTAL
Emergencies	48.56% 101	51.44% 107	208
Child(ren)'s education	21.32% 42	78.68% 155	197
Vacation	30.69% 62	69.31% 140	202
Retirement	51.22% 105	48.78% 100	205

Q26 How often do you worry that your income might not cover your living expenses (housing, food, healthcare, utilities) each month?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Sometimes	27.14% 5	7
Always	24.76% 52	2
Rarely	16.67%	5
Never	16.19% 34	4
Usually	15.24%	2
TOTAL	210	0

Q27 Do you have access to reliable transportation?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	96.19%	202
No	3.81%	8
TOTAL		210

Q28 What is your primary form of transportation?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Personal car	94.29%	198
Carpool	0.48%	1
Friends	0.95%	2
Uber/taxi	0.00%	0
Bicycle	0.48%	1
Walk	1.43%	3
Public transportation	1.43%	3
Other (please specify)	0.95%	2
TOTAL		210

Q29 If you have limited transportation, why?

Answered: 213 Skipped: 5

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	85.92%	183
Unreliable vehicle	5.16%	11
Share a car	4.23%	9
Can't afford a car	2.35%	5
Can't afford fuel	7.04%	15
No public transportation	2.82%	6
Biking or walking is unreasonable	1.88%	4
Limited public transportation	2.35%	5
Can't afford public transportation	1.41%	3
Total Respondents: 213		

Q30 If you are currently participating in any school, work, or training programs, what schedule works best for you?

Answered: 200 Skipped: 18

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	58.00%	116
Part-time	15.00%	30
Evening	10.50%	21
Full-time	13.00%	26
Weekends	5.50%	11
Daytime	5.50%	11
Other (please specify)	4.00%	8
Total Respondents: 200		

Q31 What county do you live in?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bingham	5.71%	12
Bonneville	39.05%	82
Butte	11.43%	24
Clark	3.81%	8
Custer	5.24%	11
Fremont	1.43%	3
Jefferson	6.19%	13
Lemhi	24.29%	51
Madison	2.86%	6
Teton	0.00%	0
TOTAL		210

Q32 What is your age?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	0.00%	0
18 - 30	15.71%	33
31 - 40	20.48%	43
41 - 50	23.81%	50
51- 60	18.57%	39
61- 70	12.38%	26
71 - 80	7.14%	15
Over 80	1.90%	4
TOTAL		210

Q33 What is your sex?

Answered: 210 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	16.19%	34
Female	83.81%	176
Other	0.00%	0
TOTAL		210

Q34 What is your race/ethnicity? (check all that apply)

Answered: 217 Skipped: 1

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Caucasian/White	85.71%	186
Asian or Asian American	0.46%	1
Pacific Islander	0.92%	2
Hispanic or Latino	9.22%	20
Middle Eastern	0.00%	0
African American/Black	0.92%	2
Native American or Alaska Native	1.84%	4
Prefer not to answer	2.30%	5
Other (please specify)	0.92%	2
Total Respondents: 217		

Q35 Which best describes your household?

Answered: 216 Skipped: 2

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Married	39.35%	85
Two parent	18.06%	39
Single	13.89%	30
Multi-generational household	6.94%	15
Single parent	5.56%	12
Divorced	4.17%	9
Multi-family household	3.70%	8
Living alone	3.24%	7
Domestic partnership	1.39%	3
With friends/roommates	1.39%	3
Prefer not to answer	1.39%	3
Separated	0.93%	2
TOTAL		216

Q36 How many people are in your household?

Answered: 212 Skipped: 6

Q37 In your opinion, what are the top five needs impacting your community? (choose five)

Answered: 214 Skipped: 4

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Access to affordable housing	71.96%	154
Ability to pay basic needs	57.48%	123
Employment opportunities	42.52%	91
Health/health insurance costs	36.45%	78
Childcare	34.58%	74
Mental health & counseling	27.57%	59
Financial emergencies	26.17%	56
Drug/alcohol services	25.70%	55
Elder services	24.30%	52
After school programs for kids	22.90%	49
Transportation	21.50%	46
Job training/education	18.22%	39
Financial literacy	15.89%	34
Access to food	12.62%	27
Domestic violence services	8.88%	19
Access to technology	7.94%	17
Immigration issues	4.67%	10
Other (please specify)	4.67%	10
Discrimination issues	3.74%	8
English language classes	3.27%	7
Total Respondents: 214		

Q38 Which EICAP services have you previously used? (check all that apply)

Answered: 212 Skipped: 6

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	48.11%	102
Energy/utility assistance	25.47%	54
Head Start	18.40%	39
Food pantry	11.79%	25
Early Head Start	9.91%	21
Information & Assistance	9.43%	20
Weatherization	7.55%	16
Rental assistance	6.13%	13
Senior meal services	5.66%	12
Other (please specify)	3.30%	7
Caregiver services	2.83%	6
Housing assistance	1.89%	4
Tuition assistance	0.47%	1
Total Respondents: 212		

Q39 If you would be willing to take part in further discussions regarding any of these topics, please write your name and number/email address.

Answered: 59 Skipped: 159

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name:	100.00%	59
Phone Number:	86.44%	51
Email address:	91.53%	54

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Community Based Organizations

United Way

Museum of Idaho

The Art Museum of Eastern Idaho Community Youth in Action (CYA)

Community Family Clinic
Community Council of Idaho

IF Arts Council

Hospice of Eastern Idaho

Scouting America

Ronald McDonald House Charities

CLUB Inc

Champs Heart

YMCA

Habitat for Humanity Snake River Animal Shelter

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Center

Bingham Crisis Center

IDHW Navigators GIFT

DWI PINC

Rexburg Soup kitchen
Rexburg Free Clinic
Idaho Falls Soup kitchen

Promise Ridge

Idaho Falls Senior Center Rigby Senior Center

Madison County Senior Center

Lost River Senior Center Ashton Senior Center Mackay Senior Center Ririe Senior Center

Salmon Valley Senior Center South Fremont Senior Center Seniors West of the Tetons West Jefferson Senior Center Wiliam Cobbley Senior Center **Faith Based Organizations**

IFRM

Salvation Army

Holy Rosary-Cathloic Parish Catholic Charities of Idaho

St Vincent de Paul

LDS Church

St. Bernard's Catholic Chruch

Christ Community Church

Rise Church

Watersprings Chruch New Day Luthern Church

Bridge Church
The Falls Church

Teton Valley Bible Church (Driggs)

Church in the Tetons

Calvary Chapel Teton Valley

Fresh Life Church - Teton (Victor)

Calvary Chapel Rexburg
St. Patrick Catholic Mission
CALVARY CHAPEL SALMON
Salmon Valley Baptist Church
Salmon Seventh-Day Adventist

South Fork Outdoorsmen Church

Bethel Baptist Church
Zion Lutheran Church
Calvary Chapel Challis

Challis Community Church

Country Church

Private Sector

Melalueca

Mountain View Hospital

Idaho Falls Community Hospital

City of Idaho Falls Utilites

Jiffy Lube Minute Man

Sermon Service

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Public Sector

City of Rexburg

Idaho Senate
City of Idaho Falls
Madison County
Bonneville County
City of Rigby
Sugar City

Challis Mackay Tetonia

Driggs

Victor

Salmon

Island Park Ashton

ASIILOII

St Anthony Ririe

Menan Lewisville

Roberts Ammon Iona

Swan Valley Ucon

Jefferson County
Custer County

Clark County Teton County Bingham County Butte County

Fremont County

Educational Institutions

CEI

Blackfoot School District #55
Idaho Falls School District #91
Bonneville School District #93
Madison School District #321
Fremont School District #215
Salmon School District #291
South Lemhi School District 292
Challis School District #181
Butte County School District
Sugar Salem School District #322

West Jefferson School District #253 Ririe School District #252 Mackay School District

Clark Co School District #161

Swan Valley School District #92 Snake River School District #52

Holy Rosary

BYUI

White Pine Taylors Crossing Elevate Academy

Alturas

American Heritage Charter School

Watersprings

Monticello Montessori IF Education Association Head Start/Early Head Start **Others**

EICAP Board of Directors

EICAP Staff

Bonneville Interagency Council Madison Interagency Council

EICAP clients



EICAP is currently conducting a **Community Needs Assessment** to better understand the challenges and opportunities facing individuals and families in our area. As part of this process, we are hosting **focus groups** to gather in-depth feedback from key partners and stakeholders like you throughout our community.

We would be honored to have you join us for this important discussion. You may choose one or more of the following virtual meetings by clicking on the "**Join the meeting now**" link for the desired meeting.

Tuesday, July 29th beginning at 7 pm

Discussion will be geared toward Community Based Organizations

Microsoft Teams	Or Dial in by phone
Click: Join the meeting now	+1 208-996-0923,,141278917#
	Phone conference ID: 141 278 917#
Meeting ID: 226 357 635 382 0	
Passcode: fq3pM3jJ	

Wednesday, July 30th beginning at 7 pm

Discussion will be geared toward **Educational Institutions**

Microsoft Teams	Or Dial in by phone
Click: Join the meeting now	+1 208-996-0923,,569554323#
	Phone conference ID: 569 554 323#
Meeting ID: 293 194 066 702	
Passcode: 2jy3Yn9f	

Thursday, July 31st beginning at 7 pm

Discussion will be geared toward Faith-Based Organizations

Microsoft Teams	Or Dial in by phone
Click: Join the meeting now	+1 208-996-0923,,802803489#
	Phone conference ID: 802 803 489#
Meeting ID: 239 654 877 498 7	
Passcode: s3dB9ZS2	

Tuesday, August 5th beginning at 7 pm

Discussion will be geared toward the **Public Sector**

Microsoft Teams	Or Dial in by phone
Click: Join the meeting now	+1 208-996-0923,,816665472#
	Phone conference ID: 816 665 472#
Meeting ID: 282 408 185 486 5	
Passcode: 3Vb9MT3b	

Wednesday, August 6th beginning 7 pm

Discussion will be geared toward the Private Sector

Microsoft Teams	Or Dial in by phone
Click: Join the meeting now	+1 208-996-0923,,580224122#
	Phone conference ID: 580 224 122#
Meeting ID: 298 487 067 900	
Passcode: hx6LC7j2	

Thursday, August 7th beginning at 7 pm

Discussion will be geared toward the **General Public**

Microsoft Teams	Or Dial in by phone
Click: Join the meeting now	+1 208-996-0923,,255940143#
	Phone conference ID: 255 940 143#
Meeting ID: 245 099 540 523 9	
Passcode: AR9MG2yB	

These sessions will provide an opportunity to share your perspective on the most pressing needs in our community, identify service gaps, and help us prioritize future programming and partnerships.

Discussion topics include:

- 1- What are the driving forces/issues that cause poverty in your community?
- 2- What would you consider your community's conditions of poverty? (ex: lack of access to quality food, insufficient income, etc.)
- 3- Have any community needs been clearly identified?
- 4- What are/have been the challenges of addressing these needs?
- 5- Where have you been successful?

If you are unable to attend but would like to share your input, we would be happy to schedule a one-on-one conversation. Please reach out to:

Brenda Jackson

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208-522-5391

Interview List

Brad Huerta Lost River Medical Center, CEO Lisa Warner Lost River Electric Cooperative

David Merril Rexburg Soup Kitchen

Heather Plain Bonneville School Distict #93

Mike Whitfield Teton County Resident

Ellen Wothe Lemhi County Resident, EICAP Food Pantry Participant

Mary Ashton Senior Center Director

Focus Group Questions

- 1. What causes of poverty are in your community?
- 2. What does poverty then look like? ex: lack of access to quality food, insufficient income, etc.)
- 3. Have any community needs do you see?
- 4. What are the challenges of addressing these needs?
- 5. Where have you been successful?

