

SAFETY NET: KEY NEEDS OF OUR REGION

Crisis Intervention: Availability and quality of services for individuals or families in need and when costs related to housing, child care, transportation, and basic needs are a significant burden.

Food Security: Having enough food for an active and healthy life.

Housing Security: Having safe and stable housing without fear of losing your home.

Legal Assistance: Legal help with basic needs, such as housing, immigration, domestic violence, government benefits, and welfare.

Transportation: Having private or public transportation that does not cost a lot and is flexible, dependable, and safe.

Debt: Money that you borrow that must be paid back at a later date.

Financial Education: Resources that teach people how to manage their money.

Financial Safety Net: Money you save for an emergency or a bill you did not expect.

Income: Having enough money to keep a good standard of living.

Jobs: Having a steady job and the level of job you are qualified for.

Child Welfare: Making sure all children are safe and taken care of by their family. Includes adopted children and children in foster care.

Early Childhood Education: Having good and low-cost early childhood care (for kids age 0-5 years).

K-12 Education and Out-of-School Time: Having good and low-cost schools for kindergarten through 12th grade, as well as good before- and after-school activities.

Post-Secondary Education: School or training after high school and throughout people's lives so they can learn skills needed for jobs.

Access to Healthcare: Having good healthcare providers and treatment places.

Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse: Having what you need to keep your mind healthy, and helping with mental and emotional problems, as well as addiction to painkillers, alcohol, or other drugs.

Physical Health: Having what you need to keep your body healthy, and helping with chronic diseases, such as heart disease, diabetes, and asthma.

Aging and Senior Support: Support for people later in life.

Built Environment: The area where you live, work, and play. This includes how close you are to healthy food, green space, and places to relax and play.

Community Building: Knowing others in your community and building social resources to improve the quality of life in your community. Also includes resources to help support community issues and policy changes.

Disaster Preparedness and Response: Having an action plan in case there is a disaster, such as a tornado, earthquake, or flood.

Justice System: Fair and respectful treatment of all people in the criminal justice system.

Safety: Low risk of crime and people are not afraid to live in their home, neighborhood, or city.

Services for Individuals with Disabilities: Support for people with cognitive, physical, or other disabilities, and their caregivers.