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2023

*Year in Review*

SACRAMENTO  
COUNTY

## About Sacramento County

Sacramento County covers 984 square miles and is home to the California state capital, 1.5 million residents and seven incorporated cities: Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Isleton, Rancho Cordova and Sacramento. The population of Sacramento County's unincorporated area is approximately 600,000.

Residents in Sacramento County have a variety of recreational, dining and entertainment options. The County is home to more than 15,000 acres of parks, plus the 23-mile American River Parkway, where more than five million visitors enjoy the unique wildlife and recreation area annually. Fishing, boating and rafting opportunities are available to water enthusiasts, and picnic sites, golfing, guided natural and historic tours are steps away from the multi-use trail. With its close vicinity to local agriculture, County residents also have an extraordinary selection of local food, wines and beers.

Sacramento County is one of the most affordable home-buying metropolitan areas in the state, and has a skilled workforce, high graduation rates and college-educated residents. The County is a leader in the 21st century economy with growing advanced manufacturing, agriculture and food, clean energy technology, information and communications technology and life sciences.

### County Government

The County of Sacramento was incorporated in 1850 in response to the needs of a growing population and was one of the original 27 counties of California. In 1933, the Sacramento County Charter was established, along with the County Executive position.



The County is governed by five members of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, elected on a non-partisan basis to serve staggered four-year terms, each representing one of the five districts. The County Executive is responsible to the Board for planning, organizing and directing County activities. Other elected officials include the Assessor, District Attorney and the Sheriff.

The County is responsible, pursuant to the County Charter or ordinances, or by state or federal mandate, to provide health and welfare, criminal justice and municipal services (including law enforcement), as well as other services to County residents. Major services include the Airport System, Animal Care and Regulation, Clerk Recorder, Criminal Justice, Health and Welfare, Property Tax System, Regional Parks, Transportation, Waste Management and Recycling, Voter Registration and Water Resources.

The County's Adopted Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget is more than \$8.8 billion, and there are more than 13,300 full-time employees. For more information, visit [www.saccounty.gov](http://www.saccounty.gov).

\*Cover Image: Sailor Bar, American River Parkway

## Sacramento County by the Numbers

**1,572,453\***

Total Population

**598,519\***

Unincorporated Population

**\$76,422\*\***

Median Income

**\$398,300\*\***

Median House Value

**36.6\*\***

Median Age of Population

**\$8.8 billion**

Sacramento County's  
2023-24 Budget



Where do my Property Tax Dollars go? ➔

## Your Tax Dollars at Work

**Largest job sector in Sacramento County:\*\***

- » Health Care and Social Assistance, employing 130,933 workers

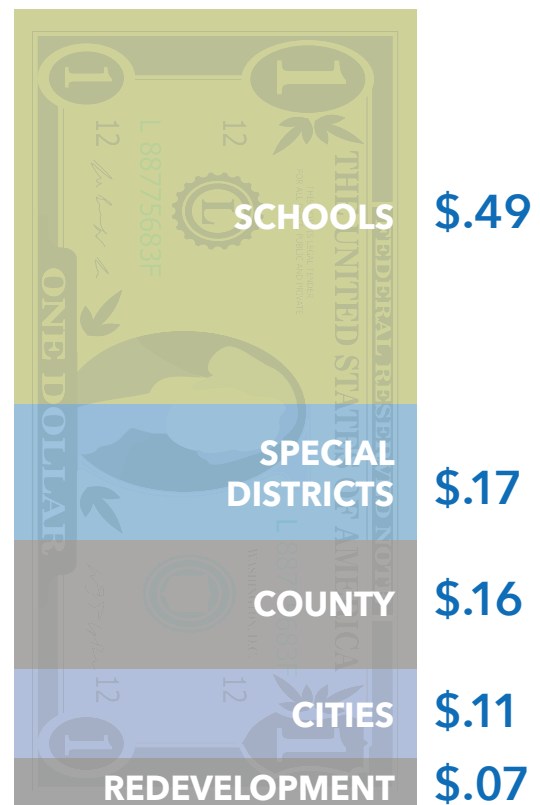
**Next largest sectors are:\*\***

- » Public Administration (118,563 workers) and Retail Trade (65,252)

\*Source: California Department of Finance

\*\*Source: [JobsEQ®](http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq), <http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq>

### FY 2022-23



# SOCIAL SERVICES

↓ 50%

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37,000

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Over 530,000 Medi-Cal recipients served, processed more than 130,000 renewals, and continued health coverage for more than 175,000.

\$1.28.2M

In 2022-23, Child Support Services collected approximately \$129 million in child support payments.

14,333

EMD inspected 14,333 retail food establishments and 2,194 recreational health establishments



# SERVICES

## Social Services

### Child, Family and Adult Services:

- » In the past eight years, the total number of children in foster care in Sacramento County has **decreased by 50%**.
- » Since opening in March of 2023, Nottoli Place has provided shelter services for **50** older adults experiencing abuse or neglect, with 10 transitioned to permanent housing.
- » In-Home Supportive Services were provided to almost **37,000** individuals with disabilities, allowing them to remain safely in their homes, rather than in institutions.

### Child Support Services:

- » In federal fiscal year 2022/2023, Child Support Services collected **\$128.2** million in child support payments.

### Environmental Management:

- » In 2023, the Environmental Management Department (EMD) inspected **14,333** retail food establishments and **2,194** recreational health establishments.
- » The EMD Hazardous Materials Incident Response Team received/responded to **538** hazardous materials calls throughout Sacramento County.
- » EMD implemented a second year of economic assistance using funding from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) that waived retail food health permit fees for 2023, assisting **6,978** Sacramento County businesses impacted by COVID, providing **\$6,447,874** in relief.

### Human Assistance:

- » On October 30, 2023, the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance (DHA) completed the full migration to a single statewide case management system, known as the California Statewide Automated Welfare System, or CalSAWS. CalSAWS is an integrated system that stores case documentation, determines eligibility, issues benefits, and notifies customers of eligibility for all programs administered by DHA including CalWORKs, Welfare-to-Work, Medi-Cal, CalFresh, General Assistance, Refugee Cash Assistance, Homeless Assistance, Foster Care, and Adoption Assistance, among others.
- » In June 2023, DHA joined the national Medi-Cal Unwinding effort and resumed processing renewals that were paused in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 public Health Emergency that provided continued coverage for all beneficiaries. In 2023, DHA processed more than **130,000** renewals, continued health coverage for more than **175,000** members and served more than **530,000** Medi-Cal recipients that entire year.
- » Veteran Services, a division within DHA, assists veterans in applying for Federal Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits. In 2023, Veteran Services assisted more than **5,700** veterans, resulting in the VA awarding more than **\$9.3 million**.



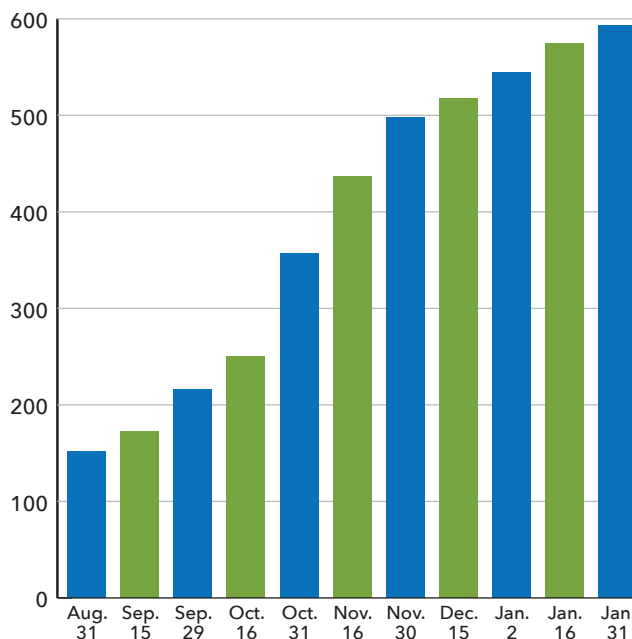
## Health Services:

### Behavioral Health

- » Behavioral Health introduced the new Adult Outpatient CORE Program with **11** walk-in community wellness centers, serving **7,111** individuals throughout Sacramento County. Each site offers community-based specialty mental health services for adults, peer-run wellness activities, and outreach services specific to unhoused individuals.
- » Behavioral Health contracted with Heartland Child & Family Services to open the one of its kind Heartland Family Wellness Full Service Partnership (FSP) Program in 2023. Heartland Family Wellness FSP is intended to work with family systems who are struggling with severe mental health challenges, system involvement, high risk factors, and are needing complex care to work with family members. In 2023, the FSP served **182** clients.
- » Behavioral Health Substance Use Prevention and Treatment added a **30-bed** Residential/Withdrawal Management/Intensive Outpatient service provider, **22** additional Recovery Residence Beds through three new service providers and added the County's first Drug Medi-Cal certified six-bed Youth Residential Treatment Facility to the Sacramento County service continuum.



### Patients on MAT



### Primary Health:

- » Adult Correctional Health (ACH) implemented an expansion of its Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program to include induction and continuation of MAT upon intake to opioid-dependent patients.
- » ACH worked closely with Sacramento Sheriff's Office to create a "MAT induction unit" that provides cohort housing for patients entering the jail who will likely experience Opioid withdrawal and are candidates for MAT induction. This unit has been functioning since October 2023 and is critical for this program's success.
- » Our two jails increased from an average of 70-80 participants (with continuation medication only) to **593** with MAT as of January 31, 2024. ACH has increased its contracts for additional Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Counselors and provides onsite SUD education groups and individual counseling.

# SERVICES

## Public Health

- » Sacramento County Public Health conducted a **Community Health Assessment (CHA)**, which includes data that assists with identifying priority issues affecting the health of County residents, and facilitated development of a **Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)**, a community-led 5-year action plan aimed to coordinate efforts and target resources to address root causes of health inequities in Sacramento County.
- » The Sacramento County Health Authority completed its first strategic plan to improve the Medi-Cal delivery system.
- » Led by the Managed Care Plans, CalAIM Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports have served more than **5,000** Sacramentans.

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## First 5 Sacramento

First 5 Sacramento partners with five trusted refugee agencies to provide culturally responsive navigation services including basic needs, mental health assessments and education workshops. Last year, **447** refugee families with children under age six and pregnant women received services. A total of **86%** of participants reported their ability to navigate life in the US has gotten better since enrolling in services, and **91%** received a connection to health or welfare services.





# 2023

## Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program (LEAP)

- ▶ Households supported: 31
- ▶ Persons served that moved into housing: 7

## Full-Service Rehousing Partnership (FSRP)

- ▶ Households supported: 216
- ▶ Persons served that moved into housing: 112

## Housing for Healthy California (HHC)

- ▶ Households supported: 111
- ▶ Persons served that moved into housing: 76

*516 people went from shelter/street to housing.*

# Responding to Homelessness

In 2023, Sacramento County established a new department to manage contracts and strategic planning associated with addressing homelessness. The Department of Homeless Services and Housing is in its first fiscal year and has already made a positive impact on the homeless population through existing and new, innovative programs.

## Encampment outreach:

- » Served 1,284 unduplicated individuals
- » Provided 34,948 services
- » Transitioned 350 individuals out of unsheltered homelessness
  - Shelter: 240
  - Housing: 110

## Safe Stay Communities:

- » Beds – Florin: 125 East Pkwy: 56
- » Number of People Served – Florin: 151 East Pkwy: 39
- » Positive Exits to Housing – Florin: 11 East Pkwy: 0 (East Pkwy opened 12/18/23)

## Weather Respite Centers:

### *1400 North A St & Warren E. Thornton Youth Center*

- » 266 guests served at Weather Respite Centers from November 17 - December 31, 2023
- » 38 County volunteers supported a Weather Respite Center from December 28-31,
- » Total 2023 weather respite: 3,856 active days/nights by persons served\*

*\*Many individuals may have stayed multiple days*

# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## Community Services



### Community Development: *Planning and Environmental Review:*

- » Completed **270** research/zoning verification requests, **252** administrative permits.
- » Completed more than **6,000** business licenses and reviewed more than **15,500** building permits plans and **165** Improvement Plans.
- » Served more than **780** customers at the Building Assistance Center.

### *Building Permits and Inspection:*

- » Issued **22,450** commercial and residential permits, totaling a valuation of approximately **\$1B**.
- » Performed **84,074** project inspections.

### Economic Development:

- » Provided resources, permit support, and sustainability assistance to **535** entrepreneurs, businesses, and developers.
- » Hosted **13** training seminars and workshops to support entrepreneurs and business owners.
- » Participated in **220** marketing and outreach events.
- » Hosted **97** Business Watch Meetings, supporting **12** communities.
- » Facilitated **six** County industrial Fast Track projects, generating **\$302M** in capital investment and creating **885** new jobs.
- » Allocated **\$336,000** in grants to **69** local arts and cultural nonprofit organizations.
- » Allocated **\$2.5M** in ARPA funding to provide COVID-19 recovery technical assistance to **66,370** individuals and business owners; provided in-language support to **96** small businesses.
- » Allocated **\$10.7M** in ARPA grant funding to **750** small business owners and nonprofit organizations.
- » Allocated **\$512,500** in State of CA grant funding to **205** microbusiness owners.

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## Transportation:

### Design

In the Department of Transportation (DOT) in 2023, more than **\$107** million in construction work was either underway or completed throughout unincorporated area, including the following:

- » Elkhorn Boulevard Extension (**\$14.7 million**)
- » Alta Mesa Road Bridge Replacement at Laguna Creek (**\$8.3 million**)
- » Fruitridge Road Complete Streets Rehabilitation (**\$4.4 million**)
- » Interstate 5 NB Auxiliary Lane Project: SR 99 to Metro Air Parkway (**\$2.4 million**)

### Operations & Maintenance

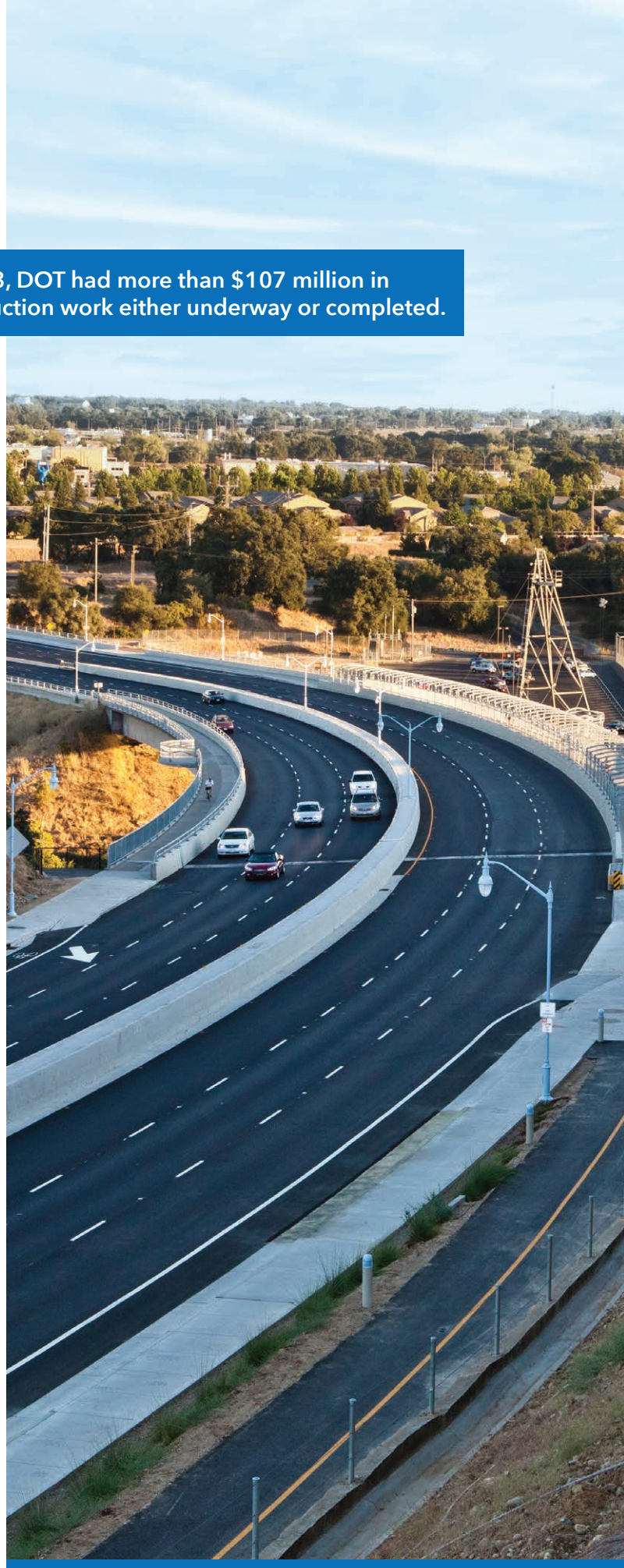
The maintenance department is responsible for the delivery of maintenance projects including paving projects. Over the course of this year, staff completed **\$58 million** (**\$30 million** General Fund and **\$28 million** LSR) in paving projects.

### The identified funding completed pavement projects include:

- » AC Overlay Project Phase A, B, C, D
- » Harvest Water Paving Restoration
- » Arden Service Area

### In 2023, DOT:

- » Filled **100,473** potholes.
- » Paved **82.9** lane miles of roadway.
- » Investigated **1,097** traffic safety complaints
- » Added **31** speed bumps/speed tables on **18** residential streets.
- » Removed **250,000** sq.ft. of graffiti





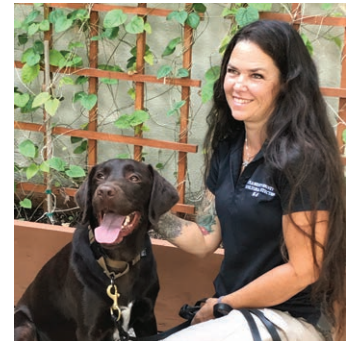
## Community Services, Continued

### Water Resources:

- » More than **\$20 million** in construction work is underway or has been completed throughout Sacramento County. Some highlighted projects include:
  - 6550 Dry Creek Road Demolition (**\$1.1 million**)
  - D33 El Paraiso Storm Drain Pump Station Rehabilitation (**\$4.9 million**)
  - North Vineyard Station Open Space Preserve Trail & Landscaping - Elder Creek Phase 1B (**\$2.3 million**)
- » Utilized goats and sheep to manage vegetation for over **25 acres** of creek corridor.
- » Cleaned **76,911** linear feet of storm drain pipelines
- » Televised and inspected **16,892** linear feet of storm drain pipelines.
- » Cleaned **163** miles of creeks and channels and removed **256** tons of trash and debris

### Animal Care:

- » Placed **2,385** dogs and **2,923** cats into new adoptive homes.
- » Helped **1,027** lost dogs and **68** lost cats safely find their way back to their owners.
- » Responded to **17,667** requests for Animal Control Officer services in the field.
- » Vaccinated and treated **2,024** pets at free wellness clinics.
- » Launched PAWS (Pet Aid and Wellness Services), the area's first free mobile spay/neuter clinic dedicated to providing services for pets belonging to unhoused individuals. In its first three months, PAWS altered **71** pets and provided medical care to **130** pets in the community.
- » Spayed and neutered more than **1,880** community cats in partnership with Community Spay/Neuter Clinic and returned them to the field.



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### Agriculture/Weights and Measures:

- » The Weights and Measures Division responded to and investigated **94** complaints involving overcharges, questionable quantities, and fuel quality issues.
- » The Pesticide Use Enforcement team conducted **356** Pesticide Use inspections.
- » The US Department of Agriculture Accredited Certification Officers issued **4,396** Federal Phytosanitary Certificates ensuring that our agricultural commodities exported to other countries met specific cleanliness requirements.

## Airports

Sacramento International Airport (SMF) served **12.9 million** passengers in 2023, signaling continued growth in travel for both leisure and business.

Also in 2023 the Department of Airports created the vision for a revamped food and beverage program at the airport. Prioritizing affordability mixed with a local experience, small businesses and suppliers, technological innovation, and employee well-being, there are **20 new dining locations** and exceeding goals for small and disadvantaged businesses.



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### Waste Management and Recycling (DWMR):

- » The Department of Waste Management and Recycling (DWMR) provides residential curbside collection services of recycling, garbage and organics to **160,000+** customers in the unincorporated county. On average, each collection truck driver serves **1,000** residential accounts every day.
- » DWMR's North Area Recovery Station and Kiefer Landfill received and managed **440,000** tons and **940,000** tons of material, respectively. Its household hazardous waste (HHW) facilities serviced **14,000** residential and commercial customers and managed **1 million** pounds each of HHW and electronic waste.

### Regional Parks:

Discovery Park hosted three large music festivals in 2023: Sol Blume in August and Aftershock and Golden Sky in October. These three festivals combined brought in more than **200,000** visitors to Discovery Park with an estimated economic impact of around **\$50 million**.

Parks has reduced the number of fires due to increased enforcement and education and fire fuel reduction, including animal grazing.

# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES



## Administrative Services

### Clerk Recorder:

Last year, the County Clerk Recorder's Office issued **9,000** marriage licenses. Of those licenses issued, **4,700** wedding ceremonies were performed in one of its office locations.

The County Clerk/Recorder's office successfully consolidated the downtown office and the East Area Service Center location into a 27,000 sq. ft. central office located at 3636 American River Drive. The new location is more streamlined for customers and offers free parking for the public and employees.

### Emergency Services:

In 2023, the Office of Emergency Services provided recovery resources and outreach for residents affected by severe storm damage. Under the President's Disaster Declaration and the Small Business Administration (SBA) declared disaster, more than **3,900** applications were submitted to FEMA and the SBA for assistance helping residents receive a total of **\$14,215,323** in recovery funding for homes and businesses in Sacramento County.

### Finance:

- » Business Licensing issued **3,253** new General Business Licenses and filed **9,385** Fictitious Business Name statements.
- » Treasury processed over **1 million** remittances.
- » Revenue Recovery collected and disbursed more than **\$4 million** to victims of crime.



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# PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE

## Public Safety and Justice

### Coroner:

In 2023, the Coroner's Office referred **35** low-income families to the American River College Funeral Program so the families could hold funeral services for their loved ones. This was an increase from last year, and the second highest number of family referrals in five years.

### Probation:

The Sacramento County Probation Department was awarded grant funding in the amount of **\$1,319,860** to purchase several mobile probation service centers. These service centers will provide vital resources to youthful clients, unhoused clients, and clients in rural areas. The department will expand existing contracts with county partners, such as Health Services and Human Assistance, to support the mobile units and offer crucial links to services targeting the needs of the unhoused,

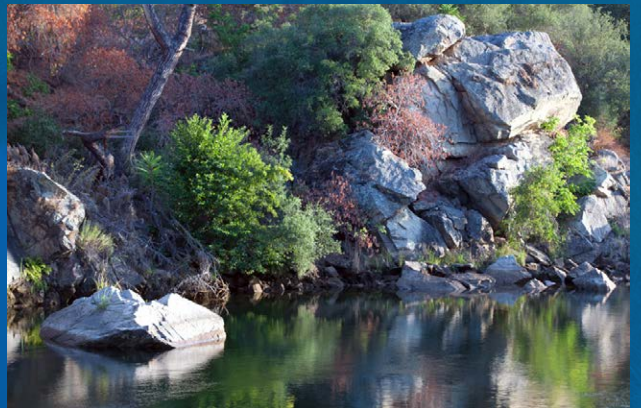
while also protecting public safety. The department will be able to provide vital access to basic human necessities, such as water and clothing, which directly benefits the community and aids in our clients' journey towards recovery and success.

### Public Defender:

In 2023, the Public Defender represented **thousands of individuals** at conservatorship and involuntary psychiatric commitment hearings. Through this work, the Public Defender helps clients understand mental health treatment options to improve their wellbeing and lower their risk of future incarceration.

The Public Defender worked with system partners to expand mental health treatment services to clients suffering from mental illness. In 2023, nearly **500** people received treatment services through the Mental Health Diversion Program.

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