

Division: Youth & Family Services

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

Many households in the county struggle with housing instability due to rent increases, a shortage of affordable housing, and high costs of living. This program prevents homelessness by providing housing stability and eviction prevention services to people with low incomes, focusing on families with children, older adults, and people with disabilities. Services include:

- Emergency Rent Assistance: one-time assistance for households at imminent risk of eviction.
- Short-Term Rent Assistance: funds for rent assistance, mortgage payment, and emergency hotel vouchers. Assistance is available between 6 and 24 months, and is allocated to nonprofits with case managers who work with families over time.
- Client Assistance: additional financial resources for people engaged in county-staffed programs (Bienestar de la Familia, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Services, et cetera).

Program activities include:

- Providing emergency rent assistance, crisis support, and resource navigation through case managers to tenants at imminent risk of eviction to prevent homelessness. This occurs through culturally responsive county and nonprofit providers.
- Providing critical rent and other client assistance resources to ensure clients are able to achieve housing stability.

This offer supports the Youth and Family Services (YFS) Division Outcome of Housing and Economic Stability by stabilizing housing and preventing evictions, and by supporting those who are evicted into secure and stable housing. Ultimately, these services prevent homelessness and reduce the inflow into the county's homeless system.

Equity Statement

The Youth and Family Services Housing Stabilization & Eviction Prevention Program services are delivered through culturally responsive and specific organizations using an equity lens in their design, including engaging participants and the broader community. They ensure fair access for all households facing housing and economic instability.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$179,360	\$1,749,771	\$290,824	\$545,010
Contractual Services	\$1,227,660	\$8,431,217	\$1,261,589	\$3,733,297
Materials & Supplies	\$17,560	\$0	\$16,500	\$0
Internal Services	\$138,394	\$138,609	\$150,785	\$59,557
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,562,974	\$10,319,597	\$1,719,698	\$4,337,864
Total Expenses:	\$11,882,571		\$6,057,562	
Program FTE	1.06	6.94	2.03	3.47
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$10,319,597	\$0	\$4,337,864
Total Revenue	\$0	\$10,319,597	\$0	\$4,337,864

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Number of households receiving emergency rent assistance	2,033	420	420
Number of households engaged in Short-Term Rent Assistance through Home Forward	891	800	800