



CommUnify

Celebrating **55** years!

empowering
sustainable
independence



Uniting our community against poverty since 1967.

For more
than 50
years...



Our Story

“Being retired and living on a limited income, your utility assistance program was a blessing in my time of need. Thank you for being there for me!”

B. FRANKLIN, RETIREE

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Since 1967, CommUnify has worked to improve the lives of Santa Barbara County’s residents who have the greatest need. For 8,000 to 10,000 of our neighbors each year, CommUnify represents the difference between living in uncertainty and living in stability. CommUnify is a nonprofit organization with a true north and south county presence and commitment.

We empower our low-income neighbors to improve their economic security, access education and career opportunities, become self-sufficient, and retain their dignity.



Santa Barbara is not paradise for everyone.

Currently **1 in 5** people in Santa Barbara County live at, or near, the California Poverty Measurement of \$35,600 annually for a family of four. That is close to 90,000 people.

Public Policy Institute of California report, Poverty: Just the Facts, July, 2021

Our Impact

Helping people. Changing lives.

CommUnify creates opportunities for families and individuals to achieve stability. Our numerous programs fall into four areas:

Children's Services

Early, quality education is the key to ensuring that children succeed in education and in life. Our Head Start program is an investment in our children, our families, and our community.

Families & Youth

A child's future is predicted by the stability of their family life. CommUnify offers youth a chance to build resilience and engages their parents in this effort, creating a better future for the whole family.

Seniors

Focused on enabling seniors to enjoy continued quality of life and maintain their independence, we ensure their well-being through minor home repairs, slip and fall prevention devices, and referral services.

Community Services

The heart of CommUnify is providing a safety net for those who are living on the edge. We help people stay in their homes, keep the utilities on, and our community informed via the 2-1-1 Helpline.



“Head Start is not just for children. It serves multiple generations: children, parents, and guardians.”

LORRAINE NEENAN, DIRECTOR OF
CHILDREN'S SERVICES

It starts with you.

Your investment in our work enables us to create a thriving community where everyone can live with dignity. **We invite you to support us.**

We are countywide.

24 Head Start and Early Head Start campuses

17 programs serving children, adolescents, families, and seniors

300+ people employed

800+ state and local partners



Poverty is
a complex
issue



Mission

*In partnership with
the community, we
provide education and
supportive services
to residents of Santa
Barbara County,
resulting in improved
economic security
and self-sufficiency.*

We can't fight it alone.

CommUnify maintains a leadership position in addressing the causes and conditions of poverty. We are a committed partner to other nonprofit and government agencies in our county, working together to provide a wide array of programs and wraparound services that enable our clients to become healthy, educated and self-sufficient.

CommUnify is good for the whole community, not just the people we serve. We need your support.

Contact us today to find out how you can invest in CommUnify and help us change lives.

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