

Equitable Economic Recovery Task Force

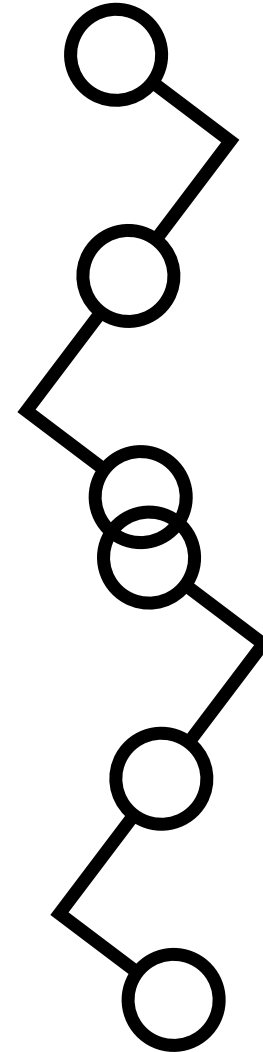
Measure X Recommendations | Guaranteed Income Pilot



Workforce
Development Board
Contra Costa County

About the task force

- ✓ Convened issue experts and regional leaders online
- ✓ Hosted 16 meetings in 11 months
- ✓ Educated on latest research and economic data
- ✓ Discussed problems and solutions
- ✓ Advocated on shared priorities



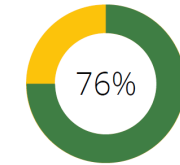
Issues addressed

- Guaranteed income
- Work-based learning
- Small business support
- Access to broadband
- Childcare gaps
- Economic mobility
- Rental assistance
- Affordable housing
- American Rescue Plan

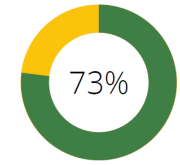
Those behind on rent are overwhelmingly low-income households that have experienced job & income losses.

*National Equity Atlas, Rent Debt Dashboard, updated May 12-24, 2021 Census Household Pulse Survey

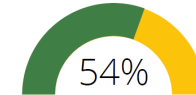
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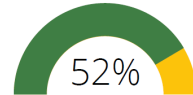
People of Color



Low Income (<\$50k)



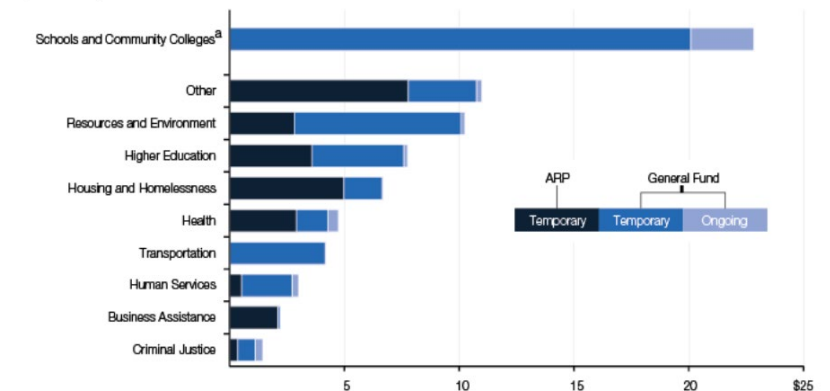
Unemployed



Lost Employment Income

Figure 2

Governor's Major Spending Choices in 2021-22 May Revision
(In Billions)



^a Proposition 98 spending—includes General Fund and local property tax revenue.

ARP = American Rescue Plan.

Task Force Recommendations

1. Guaranteed Income Pilot

2. Early Education

- Funding for childcare slots
- Incentive grants tied to professional development

3. Economic Development

- Technical assistance to very small businesses (CCCWFDB)

4. Workforce Development

- Technical assistance and support for companies/organizations to create paid-internships (CCCWFDB)
- Expansion of the CCC paid internship programs
 - Health careers pathway program



Virtual Convening

- Former Stockton Mayor Michael Tubbs spoke about the Stockton Economic Empowerment Demonstration (SEED)
- SEED gave 125 randomly selected residents, \$500 per month for 24 months



What is guaranteed income

- Creates a built-in income floor for those with low and/or inconsistent income
- Rooted in trust, agency and self-determination
- Recognizes this is an opportunity for increased risk-taking and goal-setting
- Recognizes the impact of poverty on health
- Poverty reduction effort focused on specific group (transition-age youth, reentry population, pregnant women)

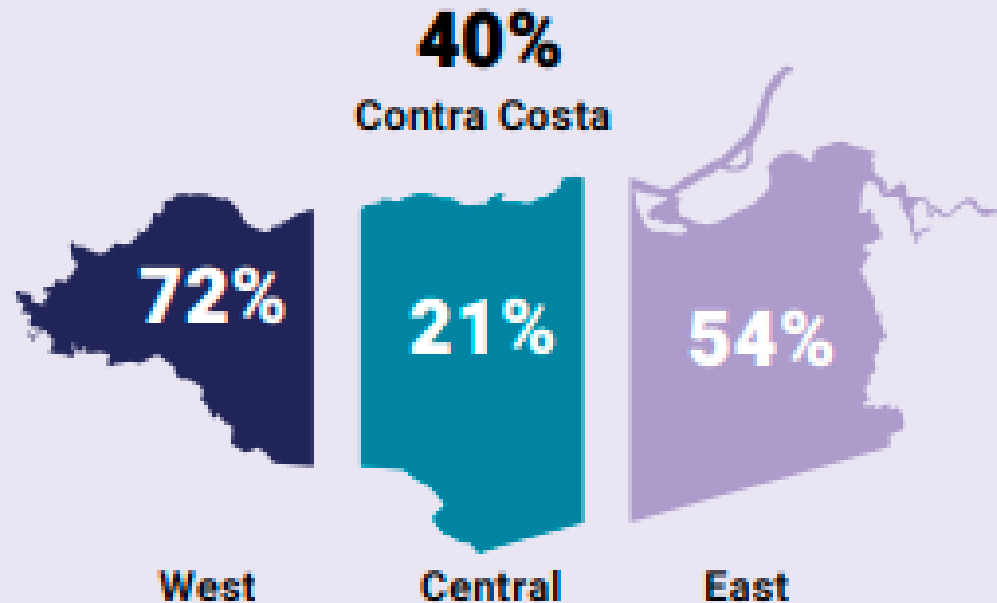


Opportunity Gap in Contra Costa

Child poverty varies widely across the county.⁴

Low-income students

Students who are eligible for free & reduced-price meals, with family annual income under \$46,500.⁵



[View the full infographic >>](#)

Historical Context

History in the US



- Nixon's Family Assistance Plan
- The Alaska Permanent Fund
- Magnolia Mother's Trust

Where we are today

- Mayors for a Guaranteed Income
- Oakland Resilient Families
- LA \$24-million Basic Income Guaranteed program
- Compton Pledge
- Abundant Birth Project

Potential Funding

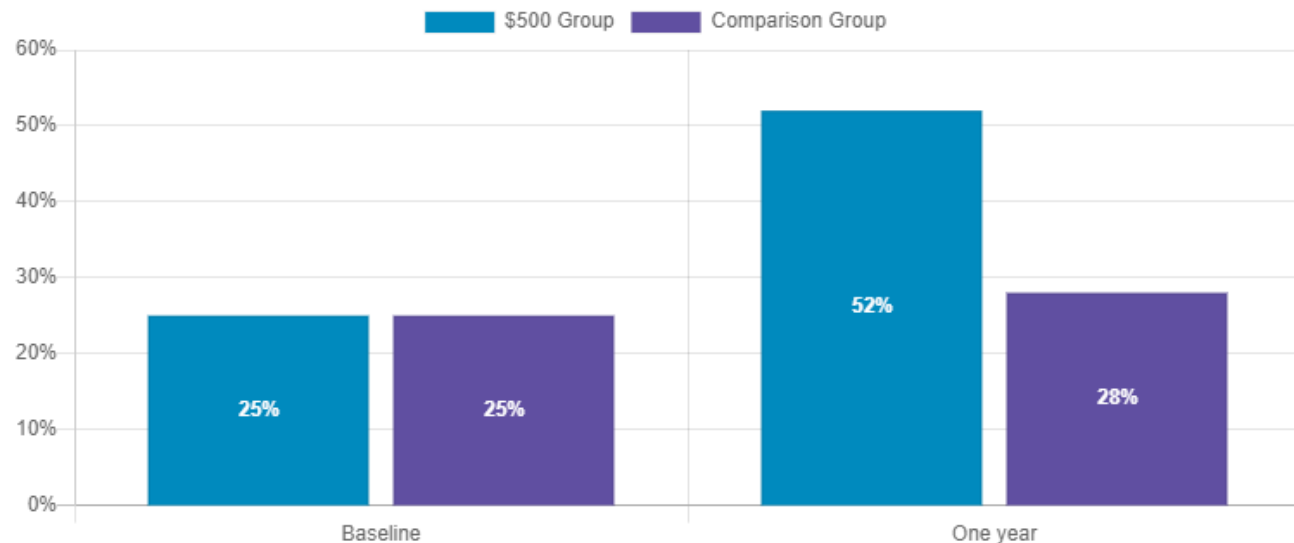
Group	Income	Length of time	Funding need
100	\$500	24 months	1.2 Million
200	\$1000	24 months	4.8 Million
150	\$500	18 months	1.35 Million

Additional Resources

SEED | Key Findings

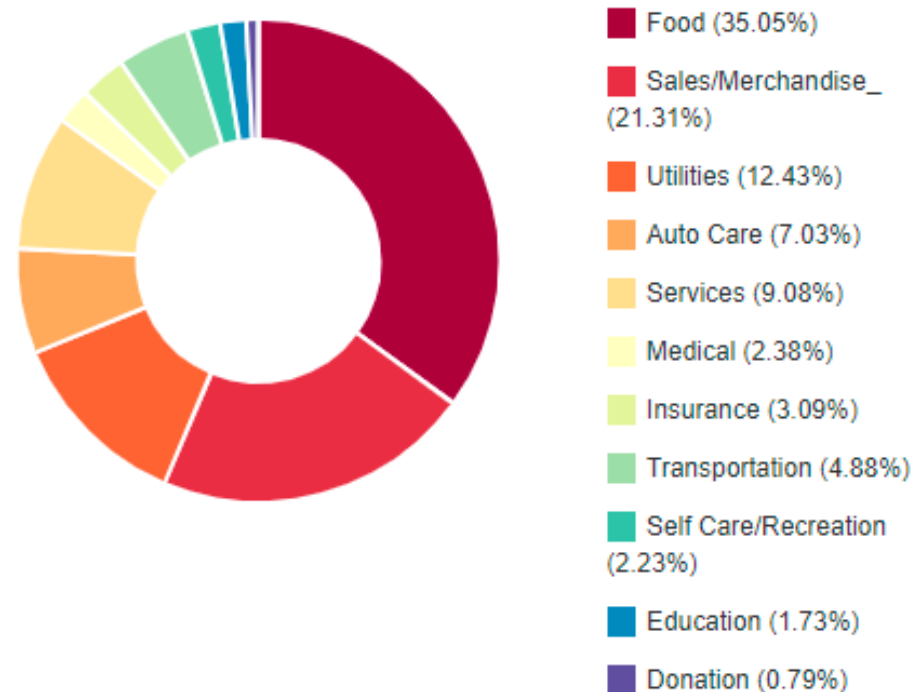
INCOME VOLATILITY

Would pay for an unexpected \$400 emergency expense with cash or a cash equivalent



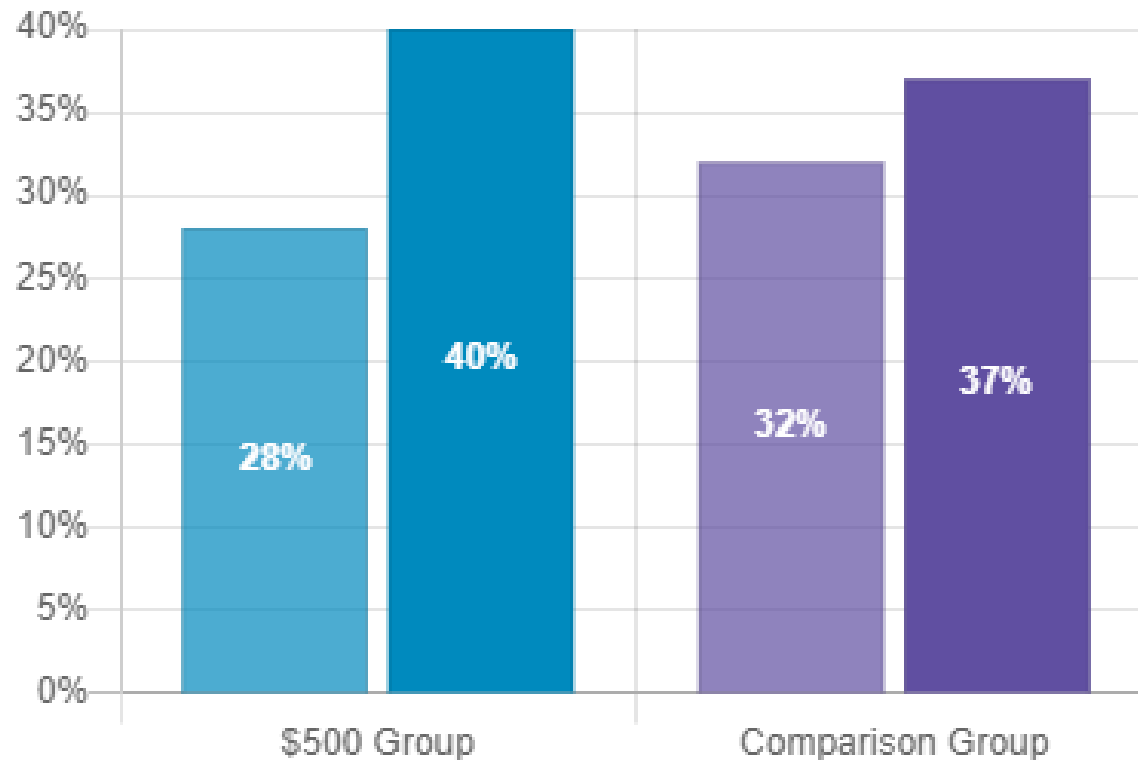
SELECT MONTH ▼

JANUARY 2020



SEED | Key Findings

SHIFT TOWARD FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT



EMPLOYMENT AND RISK-TAKING

- The \$500 removed material barriers to full-time employment and created capacity for goal-setting and risk-taking
- The scale of risk-taking and goal-setting was somewhat curtailed by limits of care-work

“I think one thing is definitely risk. You can take so much risk. I - there was a time, I - the only reason I believe I got the internship was because of me taking the risk of not - of having to quit a job before and knowing that I have that money. . I could sustain myself until this new opportunity came around, and I was able to take it.”

[Full report available here >>](#)

Magnolia Mothers Trust | 2020 Key Findings

While the most devastating effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continued to play out particularly for low-income families and communities of color, the women of The Magnolia Mother's Trust were able to meet their basic needs, prioritize their health and the health of their family, and had the agency to make decisions for their family as they saw fit.



The ability of mothers to pay all their bills on time increased from 27% to 83%

While prior to the start of the program, mothers reported relying heavily on borrowing from friends, families, and emergency lending institutions to make ends meet, receiving the monthly stipend allowed women to stop relying on borrowing as a way to manage their monthly budgets and proved to be particularly crucial in light of higher bills and expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, more mothers reported having money saved for college and retirement by the end of the program.

Magnolia Mothers Trust | 2020 Key Findings



The percentage of mothers who had money saved for emergencies increased from 40% to 88%.

While low-wage jobs had always left mothers with barely enough to cover bills and basic needs in the past, the additional stipend provided an opportunity to start saving in preparation for their family's future and for their own goals including starting their own businesses, moving out of affordable housing, and paying off debt.

Magnolia Mothers Trust | 2020 Key Findings



Mothers reported an increase from 64% to 81% in their ability to have enough money for food

This is particularly significant given rising food costs for families during the COVID-19 pandemic and children eating more meals at home. Additionally, there was an increase in mothers reporting that there was always enough food for all members of the household and being able to prepare food at home versus fast food. During the program, mothers reported being able to budget up to \$150 more for food and household costs resulting in lowered food insecurity and struggles with basic needs.

[More information here >>](#)

Relevant resources

- [Oakland Resilient Families](#)
- [Magnolia Mother's Trust](#)
- [Nixon's Family Assistance Plan](#)
- [The Alaska Permanent Fund](#)
- [Mayors for a Guaranteed Income](#)
- [LA Guaranteed Income Pilot Program](#)
- [Compton Pledge](#)
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