



2019 Annual CSBG Report

ABOUT YCAN:

We are a 501 (c) 3 founded in 2007, Yellowstone Country Assistance Network drives change with proven solutions to remove obstacles, and advance those living in poverty into economic independence—because progress for the community is progress for everyone. Our 2019 Community Services Block Grant Fiscal Year was an exciting year, and full of new challenges for our small organization. In addition to our programs and services offered in Park County Wyoming, YCAN was approved to serve as the eligible entity for Big Horn County, Wyoming, and asked to help Hot Springs and Washakie County as the interim eligible entity until agencies in those counties are identified by the Department of Health. As part of a planned three year community needs assessment for Park County, we were asked by the Department of Health to add the three additional counties to the assessment.

PROGAM SERVICES 2019

Our target was to serve 149 individuals in the Big Horn Basin with household income under 125% of the Federal Poverty Level. YCAN provided 526 individual services to 156 households which included 337 individuals in FFY 2019!

Employment Supplies	14
Before & After School Activities	1
College applications, text books, etc.	3
Benefit Coordination & Advocacy (SNAP)	4
Rent Payments	139
Deposit Payments	19
Utility Payments	104
Utility Deposits	3
Temporary Housing Placements	1
Prescription Payments	2
Doctor Visit Payments	20
Adult Dental Screening/Exams	7
Adult Dental Services	20
Incentives (food cards)	4
Food Distribution	4
Hygiene Supplies	3
Case Management Services	156
Eligibility Determinations	4
Transportation Services	17
Emergency Clothing	1

Our Mission:

To empower people living in the Big Horn Basin of Wyoming to enhance health, housing, and employment status, overcome obstacles, and end economic hardship.

PROGAM OUTCOMES 2019

Our target outcome was for 149 individuals to achieve one or more outcomes as identified by the National Performance Indicators in multiple domains. Our actual results was 211 of 225 participants served with was 94% of participants achieving this goal. We exceeded our target by 142%. We also had participants meet numerous outcomes in employment 11 out of 16 received employment up to a living wage, and 6 out of 11 maintained this employment for at least 90 days. Client housing outcomes showed 49 out of 50 participants avoided eviction, 10 out of 16 households experiencing homelessness obtained safe and temporary shelter, 39 out of 39 obtained energy assistance and reduction of energy burden. Under the Health domain 44 of 45 participants demonstrated improved physical health and well-being, and 11 of 12 individuals with disabilities maintained an independent living

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA 2019

Our demographic data showed the majority of our participants, 40% had a household income at 50% or below the Federal Poverty Level, and 29% had incomes ranging from 51% to 75% of the Federal Poverty Level. We found that 17% had Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and 8% had Social Security Disability Income (SSDI), 28% had income from employment only, and 24% had no household income at the time of intake. We found the 45% of participants indicated they had a disabling condition and 40% of participants come from single person households. The data also showed 28% of participants were single parent homes.

The data reports what we have long known that single individuals on Social Security or Disability alone do not have adequate income to address their most basic needs.

OUR REACH

Our programs and services are developed with the input of the low-income residents of our service area. Programs and services must enhance health and employment status, overcome obstacles, and end economic hardship for the most vulnerable of the 5,000 residents of the Big Horn Basin who are currently living at 100% of the federal poverty level or below. Our service area spans over 14,000 square miles. Online self-help services are the most used by low-income residents.

OUR VISION

We envision communities in the Big Horn Basin which the most vulnerable people will have the power to lift themselves out of poverty and create vital, healthy lives for their families and communities now and in the future.

OUR IMPACT

The board was asked in our May 2019 State Onsite Visit "What are some important goals and impacts of the board". One answer was to ensure the CSBG funds for each county were expended on programs and services for those in need. Make sure we don't leave any money on the table to be sent back in these small counties. The adjacent table shows our \$263,405 CSBG grant award was all expended on services to enhance health and employment status, overcome obstacles, and end economic hardship.

We set out with a goal of reaching 143 individuals and ended up serving 149 families and 337 individuals with in a 14,000 square mile radius with one employee. Our outcomes showed 526 services provided, as well as bundled services allowing clients to come though one door for multiple services supporting multiple domains such as case management, health, employment, education, housing, and linkages. Outcomes show 94% of participants achieved the goal of one or more outcomes as identified by the National Performance Indicators in multiple domains.

CSBG Expenditure Domains	CSBG Funds Used
Employment	\$482
Education & Cognitive Development	\$620
Housing	\$80,0771
Health & Social/Behavioral Development	\$31,062
Services Supporting Multiple Domains (Eligibility Determinations, Case Management, Referrals, Transportation, Emergency Clothing)	\$125,208
Linkages (partnerships that support multiple domains)	\$3,834
Agency Capacity Building (Training & 4 Community Needs Assessments)	\$21,428
TOTAL CSBG EXPENDITURES	\$263,405

