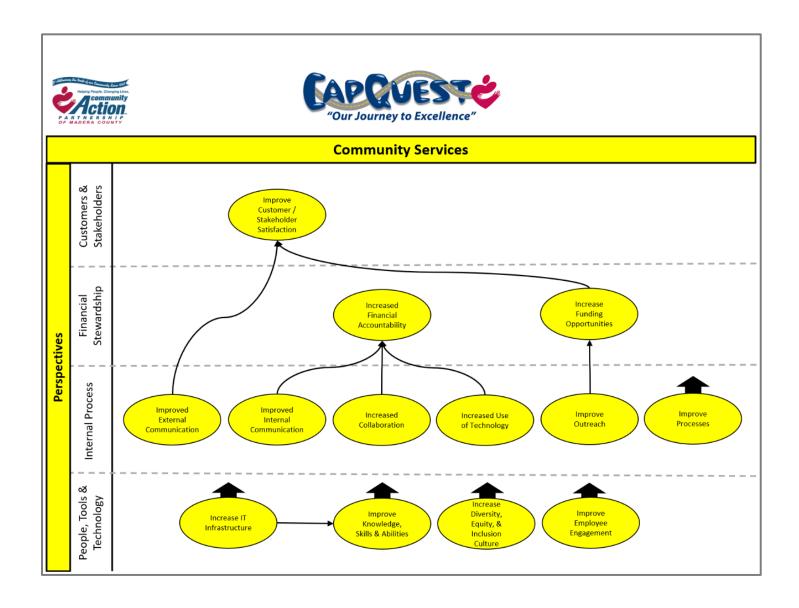
## **Community Services Program Objectives**



## **Community Services Goals, Initiatives and Measures**

OBJECTIVE COMMENTARY	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>INITIATIVES</u>	<u>MEASURES</u>	<b>2024 STATUS</b>
Address the sustainability of HELP Center by increasing ongoing funding.	Community Services	Networking  Identify funding opportunities  Submit new funding applications	Create and maintain a directory of agencies similar to HELP Center by 2026.  HELP Center remain operational through the development of departmental procedures, plans, organizational structure, and process improvement.  Update:  Access Site flyer Housing Provider Manual Homeless Services Brochure  Staff have updated the program guidelines and procedures keeping it up to date as changes occur or are implemented. The last update was done to the document was May 2024, this is an ongoing process.  Staff have submitted funding applications such Coordinated Entry System (CES), Food Insecurity Grant, as well as Kaiser, to name a few.	

<u>OBJECTIVE</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	INITIATIVES	MEASURES	2024 STATUS
COMMENTARY				
Improving employee	Community Services –	Access to ongoing	Error rates have decreased	
proficiency with HMIS will improve	HELP	training	decreased	
data entry and	Center	Stay updated with	Monthly Progress Report	
reporting which will	Center	system changes and		
support grant		reporting requirements	Annual Performance	
compliance.		through attending	Report	
•		meetings	D 2025	
		_	By 2025	
		Run report for errors to identify the need for	Update:	
		improvement	All HELP Center staff is	
			constantly attending	
			trainings that pertain to	
			their job duties. Staff	
			must complete annual	
			trainings in order to	
			receive their	
			certifications.	
			Housing Coordinator	
			meets with the data	
			analyst quarterly, doing	
			so has significantly	
			improved the data	
			collection. These	
			meetings initiated in	
			October 2023 and since	
			the error rate has decreased by 24%. Some	
			of the errors may be	
			because an individual	
			does not have a social	
			security number and there	
			is not much to do about	
			that due to the individual	
			being undocumented.	

OBJECTIVE COMMENTARY	<u>OWNER</u>	INITIATIVES	<u>MEASURES</u>	<u>2024 STATUS</u>
Expand outreach to Native American communities for LIHEAP services by implementing culturally informed engagement strategies, ensuring equitable access to energy assistance, and addressing specific socio- economic challenges within these communities.	Community Services	Implement a culturally sensitive Native Outreach Initiative to strengthen relationships, foster collaboration, and address community needs through targeted engagement with Native American leaders, organizations, and individuals.	Run monthly Servtraq and CORE reports to assess demographic information.  Prioritize outreach efforts to Tribal Organizations in order to assist more Native American individuals who are in need of LIHEAP assistance.  Assist with completing LIHEAP applications.  Improve the process of awareness for the Native American community by expanding outreach areas.  By 2025  Update:  LIHEAP staff have reached out to Tribal Organizations in Eastern Madera County, but because they provide the same or similar services as we do, we do not receive a large number of Native American applicants.  The following amount of identified Native American households have been assisted with the last four contracts:	

2024 LIHEAP – 24HH
2023 LIHEAP – 23HH
2023 ESLIHEAP –
18HH
2023 SLIHEAP – 1HH

## **Community Services Organizational Chart**

