

# 20 IMPACT 23 REPORT

# Together, WE can do hard things....

Women's Empowerment supports women and children experiencing homelessness with the resources to overcome barriers to stable employment, safe housing, financial security, healthcare, and confidence. The community WE serves has been deeply impacted by a wide range of inequities amplified by Sacramento's prolonged housing crisis. To combat this, in 2023, WE worked on expanding housing and employment partnerships and launched a transitional workforce housing program. Despite adjusting to the changing needs of the community, Women's Empowerment has remained steadfast in its mission to empower women and continues to work to end family homelessness in Sacramento.



## **WOMEN SERVED IN 2023:**

71%

identified as BIPOC

79%

were survivors of domestic violence 76%

were moms

49%

reported struggling with mental health 65%

reported a history of substance use



In addition to the initial Job-readiness and Empowerment Program and advanced paid job training programs, WE students and grads had continuous access to:

- · mental health counseling
- job retention support
- resources and assistance with basic needs
- housing support

program team supported women with a combined total of

2,884

appointments

28

empowerment classes and support groups provided

including Parenting, Domestic Violence, Fitness, and Wellness & Recovery





165

jobs reported



paid job training programs and employment training partnerships



Staff and volunteers supported women as they navigated employment challenges and sought training and job opportunities with pathways to a living wage.

Before coming to Women's Empowerment, Bennetha (pictured above) struggled with mental health and homelessness. As a mother of five, she was determined to gain a life of stability and worked hard to achieve it. Throughout WE's initial two-month program she gained confidence, tools, and regularly met with her employment specialist. Bennetha's hard work paid off. She now works at an organization that helps women and has secured stable housing for her and her family.

125

children received care in the Child Development Center or other services



838

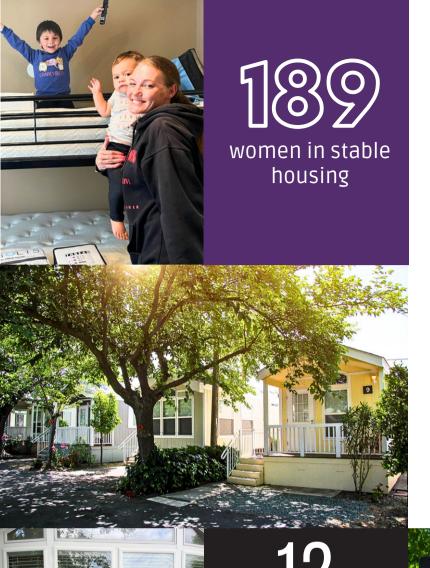
healthy lunches provided



\$14,615
given in transportation assistance

321
Clothing Closet

visits



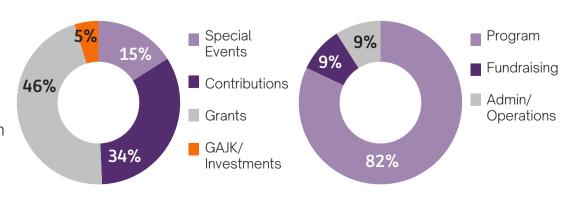
With support from WE's Housing Specialist and Trellis Gardens team, students and graduates reduced housing barriers and gained understanding of their housing rights and responsibilities. Women received support in finding housing opportunities, navigating the competitive process, and communicating with landlords.

After graduating from WE and finding a job, Amber (pictured left) struggled to gain a safe and stable home amid Sacramento's housing crisis. Reaching out to WE for support, she and her children became the first family to move into WE's transitional workforce housing program, Trellis Gardens, which launched in 2023. Now, through the Trellis Gardens program, Amber is working to advance her career, build savings, and overcome housing barriers. "Women's empowerment has helped me see what I'm capable of, I've become a better mother and an independent woman. Being at Trellis has allowed me to focus on providing a better future for my family. My kids feel happy and safe."



# The community's generosity in 2023

provided vital fiscal stability, making it possible for Women's Empowerment to continue empowering women and children experiencing homelessness. WE remains committed to ensuring every dollar invested is handled responsibly and with care.



Expenses

Revenue

# Community makes empowerment possible. Thank you to our volunteers, partners, and donors for your investment!



volunteers gave 5,535

combined hours



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