

# Introduction

WYO HELP is a DBA of Goshen HELP.

Goshen HELP is a 501(c)3 non profit registered in the state of Wyoming.

Goshen HELP began as a dream to help youth who were facing challenges.

On October 1st, 2018, we opened our first office and began offering services in Goshen County. On October 1st, 2020, we expanded and began offering services in Crook, Niobrara, Washakie, and Weston Counties.

# **Our Vision**

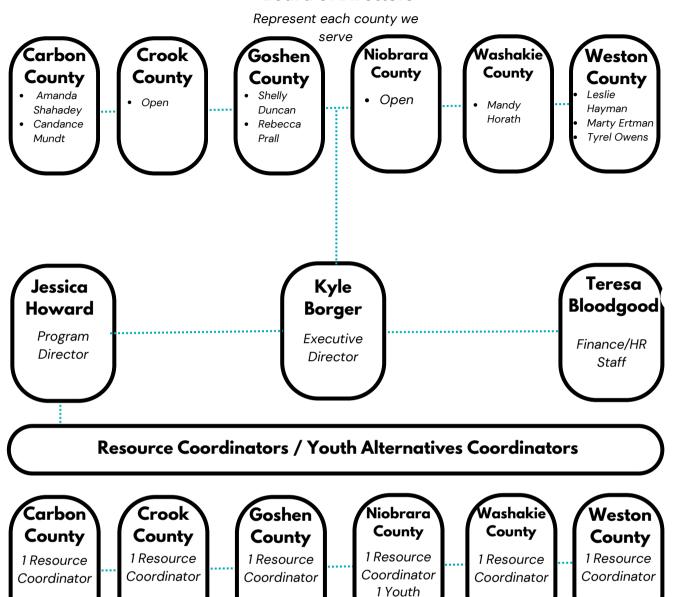
- Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of home, improves communities and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.
- We strive for a nation that creates opportunities for all people to thrive, builds strong, resilient communities, and ensures a more equitable society.

#### **Our Mission**

• Our mission is to improve the quality of life for people in need by empowering them to become more self-sufficient.

# Structure of Organization

#### **Board of Directors**



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# CSBG Community Action Plan

Together we can build a sustainable future

# **CSBG Grant Background**

We believe that with hope, adequate resources and opportunities, everyone can reach their fullest potential.

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) originated with President Lyndon B. Johnson's war on poverty as the Economic Opportunity Act. In 1981 it was updated to CSBG. CSBG is federal funding distributed to states, territories, and reservations as a block grant. Within the bounds of the statutes, each state is responsible for setting policies and guidance. The state then contracts with local public entities or private non-profits to administer the grant locally within each county in Wyoming. Each local entity is given the responsibility of determining the greatest needs and the plan for how to address those needs. Those plans are called the Community Action Plan which we are reviewing today.

# **Community Action Plan**

- Develop the capacity to operate resource centers in each county we serve.
- Provide stabilization services from a local office in each county we serve and provide an online option for 24/7 access.
- Build community relationships and partnerships in order to work together towards a common goal to improve the health of families and communities in each county we serve.
- Work with community partners to develop a resource hub for the county and each community to assist families regardless of income.

# **Community Action Plan**



Partner with local food pantries to reduce food insecurity and create a front door to access additional resources.

Provide additional food resources if required.



Improve
educational
opportunities
for children
and parents.
Make
connections
for day cares
and preschools
along with
classes for
parent.



Organize
Community
Service Projects
in each county
to improve
volunteer
opportunities

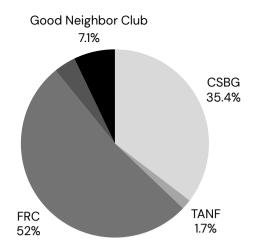


Hosting a fundraising event to raise money to support the grants we receive.

# **Total Budget**

WYO HELP uses a combination of grants and donations to support our effort to create the ability to support staff in each county and to provide resources within those communities.

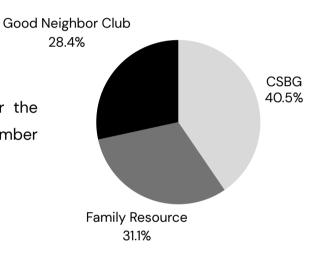
The Total Budget for all expenses at this time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 -September 30th 2025) is \$863,000.



# Carbon County

The Budget for all expenses at this time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 - September 30th 2025) is \$202,000

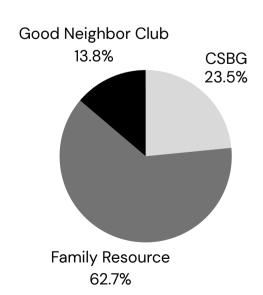
\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty
12.1% Poverty Rate
1,734 people living in poverty
\$116 per person for program costs.



# **Crook County**

The Budget for all expenses at this time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 - September 30th 2025) is \$103,000

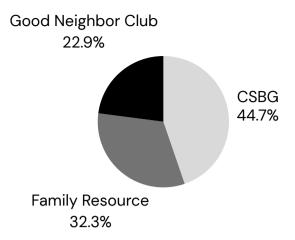
\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty 8.6% Poverty Rate 653 people living in poverty \$199 per person for program costs.



# **Goshen County**

The Budget for all expenses at this time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 - September 30th 2025) is \$195,000

\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty
14.8% Poverty Rate
1,871 people living in poverty
\$104 per person for program costs.

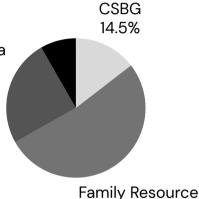


**Niobrara County** 

Youth Alternatives - Niobrara 24.9%

The Budget for all expenses at this time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 - September 30th 2025) is \$120,000

\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty
16% Poverty Rate
377 people living in poverty
\$233 per person for program costs. (Not including
Youth Alternatives. \$318 with Youth Alternatives.)

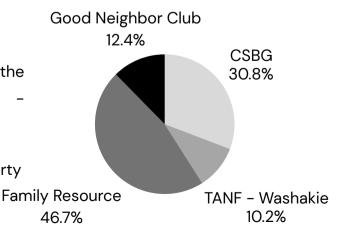


52.3%

# Washakie County

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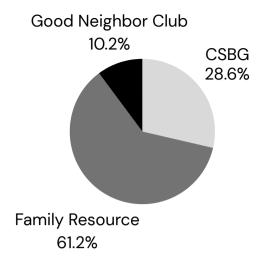
\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty
10.9% Poverty Rate Far
840 people living in poverty
\$161 per person for program costs.



# **Weston County**

The Budget for all expenses at this time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 - September 30th 2025) is \$107,000

\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty
11.5% Poverty Rate
783 people living in poverty
\$137 per person for program costs.



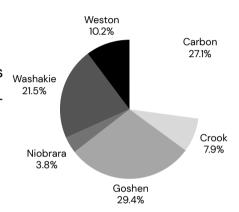
#### Stabilization Funds

The Budget for stabilization funds (Grant in Aid) at this Washakie time for the 2025 Fiscal Year (October 1st 2024 - September 30th 2025) is \$149,000.

\$1,255 Income per month (Individual) = Poverty 12.32% Poverty Rate (Avg)

6,337 people living in poverty (51,440 total population)

\$24 per person of available assistance funds.



# **Services to Provide**















Volunteer Opportunities

# **Housing Assistance**

- Temporary Housing Placement including Emergency Shelters
- Rent Deposit Payments
- Rent Payment
- Eviction Counseling
- Landlord/Tenant Mediations
- Mortgage Payments
- Home Repairs
- Utility Payments
- Utility Deposits

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# **Health Assistance**

- Payments for physicals
- Payments for vision screening
- Prescription payments
- Doctor visit payments
- Adult Dental Screening/Exams payments
- Adult Dental Services payments

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# **Auto Assistance**

- Automobile repair payments
- Fuel assistance
- Car Insurance
- Registration

# Food Assistance

- Shopper's Choice Pantry
- Mobile Food Pantry Support
- TEFAP The Emergency Food Assistance Program
- CSFP Commodity Supplemental Food Program
- Food Gift Cards
- Grocery Rescue

In counties with existing food pantries we would seek out partnerships and ways to support each other. We may offer some food assistance on our own if it isn't available elsewhere or additional resources would be beneficial.

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# **Youth Alternatives**

- Youth Classes
  - Life Skills
  - Truthought
  - Owning Up
  - In-Depth Tobacco
  - N.O.T on Tobacco
  - Y.E.S Shoplifting
- Community Service
- Development of policies and programs

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# **Volunteer Opportunities**

- Develop community knowledge base of volunteer opportunities.
- Help coordinate where desired.
- Provide opportunities for community service programs.

# **Community Partnerships**

- Work with health organizations, nonprofits, churches, businesses, government, and schools to identify the greatest needs and develop plans to address those needs.
- Coordinate efforts with community partners to obtain needed resources, track plan progress, and evaluate the plan.

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#### **Good Neighbor Club**

- This is your opportunity to utilize WYO HELP support to develop services in your community. This program depends upon your donations and volunteer hours. The projects supported by this club most often do not have grant support. Their existence is up to you.
- Funds raised in each county for this program will stay in that county outside of helping to cover administrative expenses to run the program.

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#### The Salvation Army

- We are working to re-engage with The Salvation Army. We will be meeting with them this summer to develop a plan for each county, where it is possible, for us to support them.
- WYO HELP is a community partner of The Salvation Army and helps to administer their program by providing direct referrals and vouchers through our offices.
- Our staff operate as volunteers of The Salvation Army.

#### **Community Advocates**

- We need you. Our current funding only allows us to operate an office and one staff person per county. This is insufficient to fully support people in need.
- Those who are already providing services or referrals can act on behalf of their participant by coordinating efforts with WYO HELP.
- We will be providing a class on how to access our portal and how to coordinate with our staff to provide resources.
- Together we can do more.

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#### Funding Sources - CSBG

- Community Services Block Grant This is a federal grant administered by the State of Wyoming Public Health Division, Rural and Frontier Health, Community Services Program.
- Supports community action agencies to address housing, nutrition, utilities, transportation, employment, education, asset building, crisis services, and community asset building initiatives.
- CFDA# 93.569

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#### Funding Sources - FRC

- Family Resource Center Grant This is a state grant administered by Wyoming Children's Trust Fund a coordinating agency with the Wyoming Department of Family Services, Wyoming Department of Education, and the Wyoming Department of Health with a mission to coordinate prevention efforts in Wyoming to prevent incidents of child neglect, emotional, physical, and sexual abuse.
- CFDA #93.575

#### **Funding Sources - TANF**

• Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - Community Partnership Initiative - Administered by each county. The purpose of this state grant is to ensure community-wide collaboration in planning and implementation efforts, award funding based on data-driven, community based decision making, implement and evaluate effective research based programs and strategies, to provide services that will assist families in moving toward self-sufficiency, and enhance sustainability of community efforts beyond funding period.

CFDA #93.558

Washakie

#### **Funding Sources - CJSB**

 Community Juvenile Services Boards Grant - Administered by the Wyoming Department of Family Services. This state grant focuses on establishing and maintaining the development of juvenile services in communities of the state aimed at allowing early identification and diversion of children at risk of entry into the court system and preventing juvenile delinquency, and allow decisions regarding juvenile services to be made at the local level as opposed to being directed by the state.

Niobrara

#### **Funding Sources - Good Neighbors**

 This is our local county program that utilizes county level donations or financial support. The purpose of this program is to assist local communities to organize and direct services of greatest interest to them as indicated by their financial and volunteer support.

#### **Funding Sources - The Salvation Army**

- We do not receive funding from The Salvation Army. All funds raised locally for The Salvation Army are deposited into TSA controlled accounts.
- We require volunteers outside of our organization to help support the Kettle season. Whereas our staff are often paid by grants using federal or state dollars they are prohibited from participating in fundraising activities while paid from those grants.

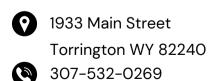
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#### How to increase services for your county

- Help build community support for WYO HELP.
- Develop county level leadership to provide guidance for WYO HELP activities. (WYO HELP Board Members, Committee Members)
- Raise leverage funds to support reimbursement grants WYO HELP could obtain on behalf of the county. We are typically able to turn \$1 of support into \$6 of resources.
- Join us as partners. How can we help each other?

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#### Corporate Office



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