



2024 Annual Report

In existence since 1965, **Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership** works with the communities to provide innovative programs to assist individuals and families throughout our coverage area.

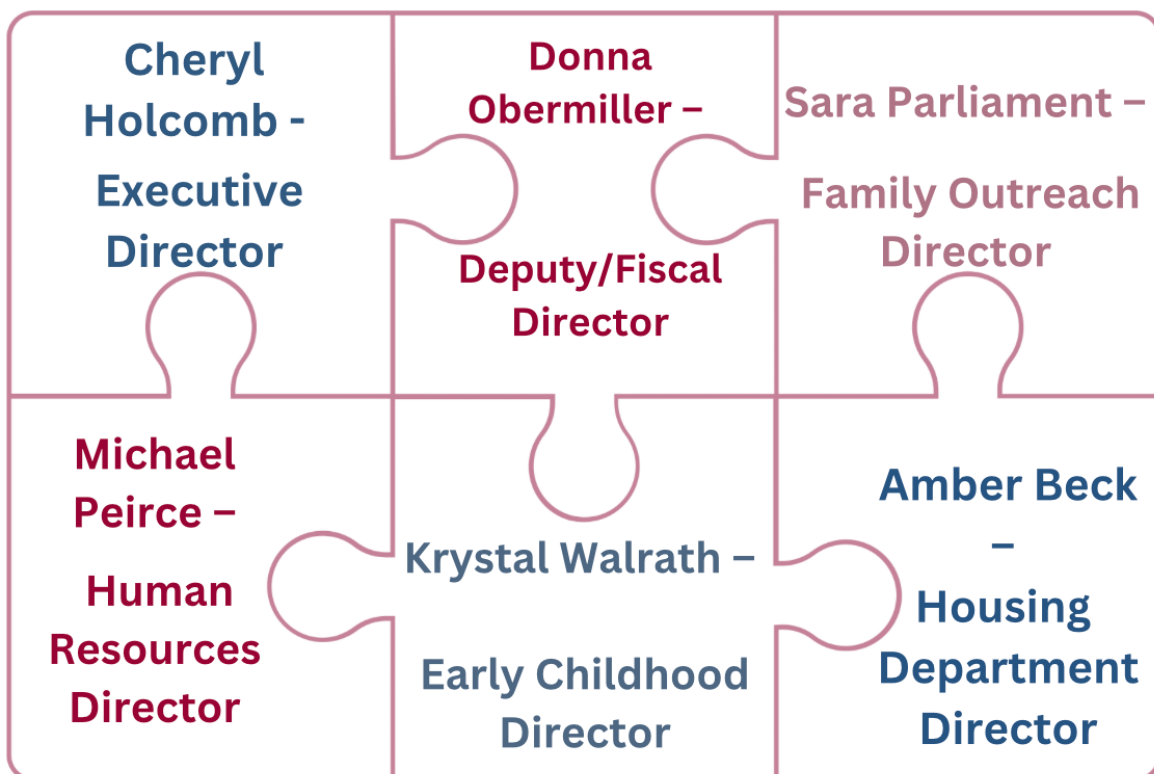
CNCAP is governed by a tripartite board representing the public, private and low-income sectors of the service area. CNCAP addresses identified needs through programs serving individuals from infancy to the elderly.

CNCAP is able to meet our mission with the help of the 1,702 organizations that exist, along with a total of 170,755 volunteer hours that were donated.

Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership serves an original territory of 21 counties in north central Nebraska. Services are also provided outside those boundaries with the following programs:

- ◇ **Early Development Network** serves the counties of Antelope, Boyd, Brown, Cherry, Holt, Keya Paha, Madison, Pierce, Rock, Stanton and Wheeler
- ◇ **Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF)** serves a total of 62 counties within the state
- ◇ **Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Program (SSG Fox SPGP)** serves a total of 72 counties within the state

Leadership of Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership



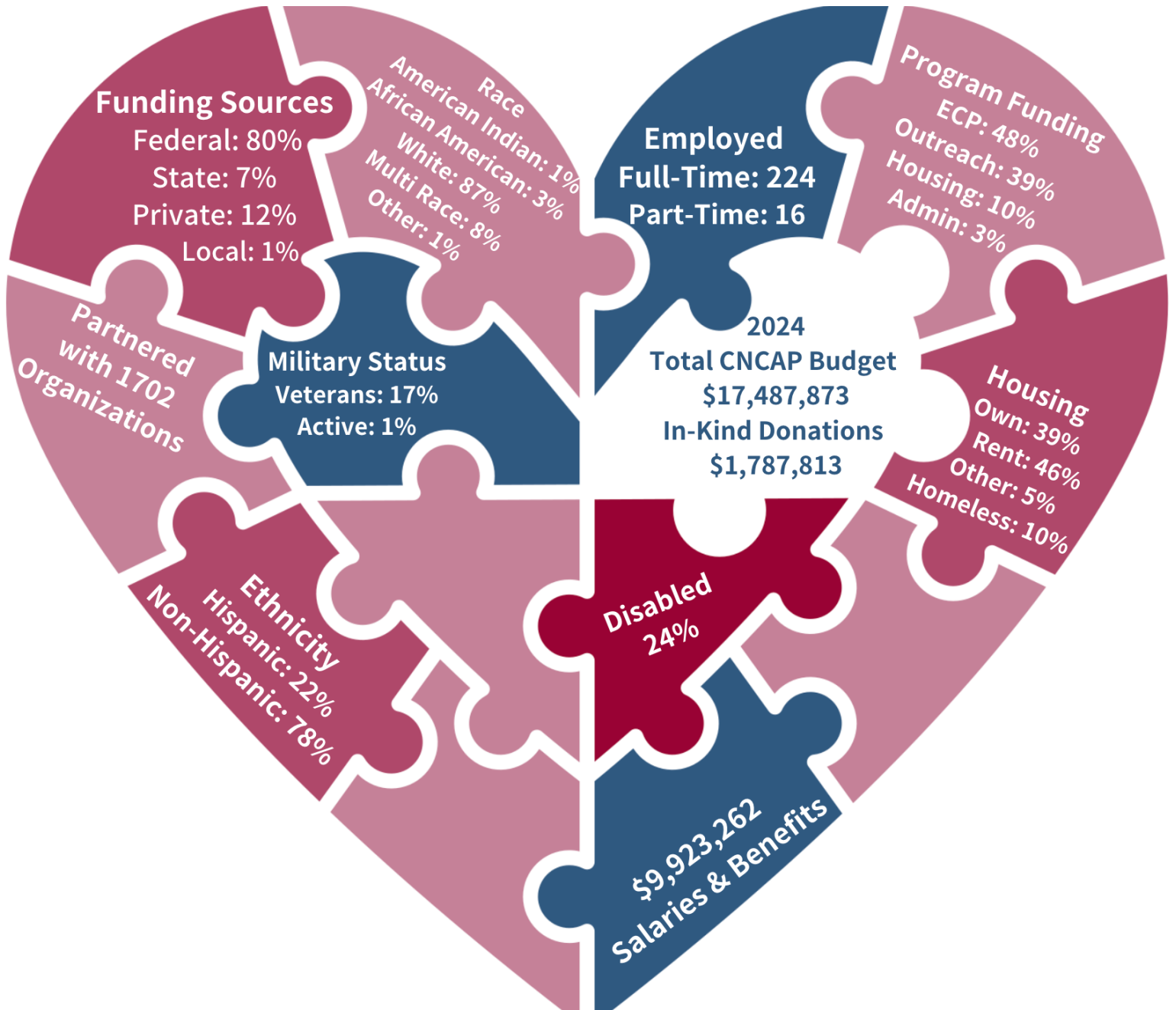
Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership, Inc.

Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership, incorporated as Central Nebraska Community Action Program in 1965, began with a five-member board. Throughout the years, it increased to 16, 18, 24, until its current membership of 27. Membership the six core counties of Valley, Sherman, Howard, Custer, Merrick and Greeley, along with representatives residing in the counties encompassed within the districts of North Central, East Central and South Central. The tripartite board represents 1/3 public appointed by a body of public officials, 1/3 private interest (representing the community) and 1/3 low-income (elected by CNCAP clients within their county or district.)

Roger Goldfish	Valley County
Tammy KleeB	Custer County
Ann Kawata	Custer County
Suellen Koepke	Custer County
Dennis Wadsworth	Greeley County
Dennis Goodrich	Greeley County
Janice Steenson	Greeley County
Brenda Klanecky	Howard County
Kirt Lukasewicz	Howard County
Barb Stefanowicz	Howard County
Dennis Jarecke	Merrick County
Jan Placke	Merrick County
Ann Herbig	Merrick County
David Siegel	Sherman County
Jean Kowalski	Sherman County
Mitzi Tvrdik	Sherman County
Luella Spilinek	Valley County
Kristine Marshall	Valley County
Doug Frahm	North Central District
Stephanie Fritz	North Central District
Misty Rowley	North Central District
Gary Quandt	South Central District
Pam Kennicott	South Central District
Teshawna Sawyer	South Central District
Ron Reilly	East Central District
Connie Peters	East Central District
Debra Zarek	East Central District

CNCAP Board of Directors

Agency Summary



Family Outreach

A letter from a client of the Family Outreach Department: It is with much gratitude and great admiration for CNCAP that I share my experience. This year was one of the most challenging, if not the most challenging year I've faced in life. As a single father, working from home, I began having some unexpected health problems early in the year, that ultimately led to the need for open heart surgery in April. I had an aortic aneurysm removed and an aortic valve replacement. It was a big procedure that would forever change my perspective on life and the time we're given. Following that, at the end of May I was laid off from my job after a company acquisition leaving me unemployed and facing the end of the lease on my apartment.

I found out that it's almost impossible to get approved for a rental with no income, that was until I met the amazingly caring team at CNCAP. I had never heard of this organization prior to this, but a friend referred me to them. I wasn't sure what services they offered or how they might help, but I filled out an application and trusted that God was leading me. Like with anything, when God is involved in your life, and you put your hope in Him, He can do exceedingly and abundantly above all we could ask or think. I would have never imagined how CNCAP would turn out to be such a God send for my boys and I. Through their housing program, they were able to act as a financial guarantee for my new landlord, and secured my first months rent, security deposit, and have continued to stay in place financially to ensure that my family and I are back on our feet. Our monthly status meetings are something I always look forward to as well, because I am always seen, known, and met with truly caring hearts that I have grown to love. Once I am released from the program, I know I will always have a place in their hearts as much as I know that they will always have a place in mine.


I hope this testimony not only speaks to the compassion of this program, but also serves as a letter of gratitude to the beautiful staff, and to the grant programs that support them. I pray that they continue to bear fruit in the lives of those they have and continue to help in restoring dignity and purpose in life.

In Christ,
Dale Rowe


The Family Outreach Department provided assistance to individuals or households through the following programs:

THRIVES	278 individuals
Vets RRH	53 individuals
KIND Transitional	12 individuals
KIND RRH	78 individuals
HART	38 individuals
Supportive Services for Veteran Families	323 Veterans
SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Program	97 individuals
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	1445 individuals
Financial Management Education	724 individuals


Family Outreach Stats-2024



Program	Amount Paid in Debt	Households	Beneficiaries
KIND	\$21,794.00	14	31
HART	\$30,564.00	26	48
SSVF	\$187,398.00	75	156
THRIVES	\$117,148.00	51	140
Vets RRH	\$46,281.00	18	30



Program	Amount Paid in Taxes	Households	Beneficiaries
THRIVES	\$80,407.00	59	159
Vets RRH	\$16,784.00	13	25
HART	\$15,040.00	27	64
KIND	\$25,258.00	23	43
SSVF	\$164,238.00	69	163



Program	Amount of Child Support	Households	Beneficiaries
KIND	\$871.00	2	6
HART	\$3,745.00	3	14
SSVF	\$9,241.00	7	24
THRIVES	\$34,663.00	20	55
Vets RRH	\$13,171.00	2	10



Thank
you!

I am writing this to express my gratitude to an incredible agency that changed my life. When I found myself in a destructive marriage and needed out, you welcomed me with open arms. When I felt lost and hopeless, you extended your compassion and support without judgement.

Through your financial assistance, guidance and encouragement, I was able to rebuild my life and find hope again. You provided the resources I needed and gave me the strength to believe in a brighter future.

Now that I've reached the end of my time in your program, I look back on this journey with gratitude. I wouldn't be where I am today without you and I feel blessed to have been given this chance. Thank you for helping me see that there is light, even in the darkest times.

Sincerely,
Anonymous

Housing Department



Weatherization provided assistance to 155 individuals.

Housing Choice Voucher Program provided rental assistance to 135 households

New software for the Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority

The Central Nebraska Joint Housing Authority, under the sponsorship of CNCAP, is a regional housing authority that provides housing choice vouchers in specific areas of the 21 counties. In 2024, a new software, Neighborly Software, was implemented. It is a cloud-based technology platform for the administration and disbursement of funds for the program. Information can be tracked for the program making it more efficient and less time consuming than the process utilized previously.

Weatherization Thank You's

- ♥ Thank you ALL for making my home as good as a new one! I'd list all of the things you did to improve it but I would never remember everything. Thank you! Thank you! I'm enjoying the new windows, door, refrigerator and new cellar door to name only a few. It is all such a blessing to me. I still find things you fixed that I didn't even realize. The app process with Sharon was very easy. You guys are a great team and I appreciate everything so much. God bless each of you!
- ♥ May kindness return to you in the same beautiful way that it was given. Thank you all for your hard work and kindness. We really appreciate everything you did for us.

Partnership with Assisted Technology

Last year, CNCAP partnered with Assistive Technology to provide much needed renovations to a CNCAP rental to help accommodate the needs of a disabled tenant. CNCAP partnered with Assistive Technology again to seek additional assistance for the disabled tenant. In assessing the needs, Assistive Technology determined that additional modifications were needed to the house. After that assessment, they replaced the existing wooden ramps and the landing with new aluminum ramps and landing for easier accessibility. They also replaced the existing entrance doors with a new door with ADA sill and hidden hinges. The work completed made the home more handicap accessible and the family is so grateful for the work that was done. CNCAP is grateful for the partnership with Assistive Technology that helps meet the needs that exist for the people CNCAP serves!

Community Health Programs

From a thankful mom

I am so beyond blessed to be involved with WIC. I was a teen mom in 2013 who knew very little about health and the wellbeing of a child. They were amazing and helped me learn the things I needed to know to help my child thrive in life! They have helped me become a better mom with every child I have had! I have recently had another child who has struggled with weight gain and they have helped me monitor her height and weight and go in the right direction on the help we needed. The staff is always so friendly and welcoming and I love being a part of this program and would recommend it to all mommas I know.

In a time when the costs of daily living expenses and other necessary supplies are increasing, families continue to struggle to make ends meet. More specifically, purchasing food to feed a family continues to be an escalating cost burden on a family's monthly budget. Some of the essential items like cereal cost upwards of \$8.00, eggs- \$5.99, and milk-\$4.99. And, if a family has an infant that needs formula, that is an added cost, especially if they are on a specialty formula that can range from \$312.00 to \$983.00 per month, depending on the type prescribed by the doctor. That is why the Women, Infant and Children program is so crucial in helping families provide the necessary nutritious food they need for their family.

Family number 1 includes:

A breastfeeding mother on WIC receives a food package with cereal, eggs, juice, peanut butter, beans, bread, fruits and vegetables, protein source, milk and cheese.

Her two-year-old child receives cereal, eggs, juice, peanut butter, bread, fruits and vegetables, milk and cheese.

Out-of- pocket for this food package would cost them \$255.14 at their grocery store. If the mother is exclusively breastfeeding, when her infant turns 6 months old, the infant would also receive a package that would include baby cereal, baby food consisting of jars of meat and jars of fruits and vegetables.

This would increase the amount with an additional \$149.54. This out-of- pocket cost to them would total \$404.68 per month.

Family number 2 includes:

A non-breastfeeding mother (that can remain on the program for 6 months) with her children ages 1-4 who are all in the program, will receive a food package consisting of cereal, eggs, juice, peanut butter, fruits and vegetables, milk, cheese and other dairy products.

The out-of-pocket cost for these items would be \$475.68 per month for four participants.

There is also a one-month-old infant on the program that is on a specialty formula costing \$312.00/month.

The out-of-pocket to purchase these items in the grocery store would be \$787.68/month.

WIC served 207 women, 153 infants and 559 children

WIC served 919 pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants and children

Peer counseling served 47 women

Early Childhood Programs

Partnerships

The Early Head Start Program has formal partnerships with four public schools and the Department of Education that funds the Sixpence Program, serving children ages 0-3.

Central City, Loup City, Ord, and St. Paul

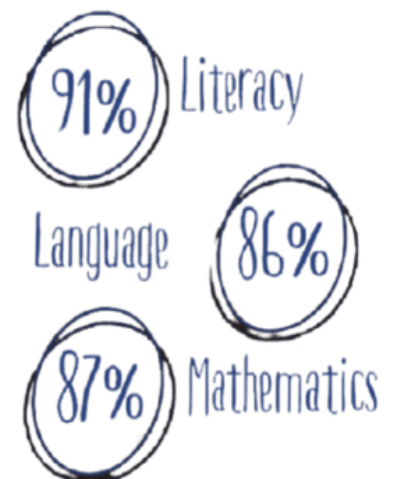
The Head Start Program has formal partnerships with nine public schools.

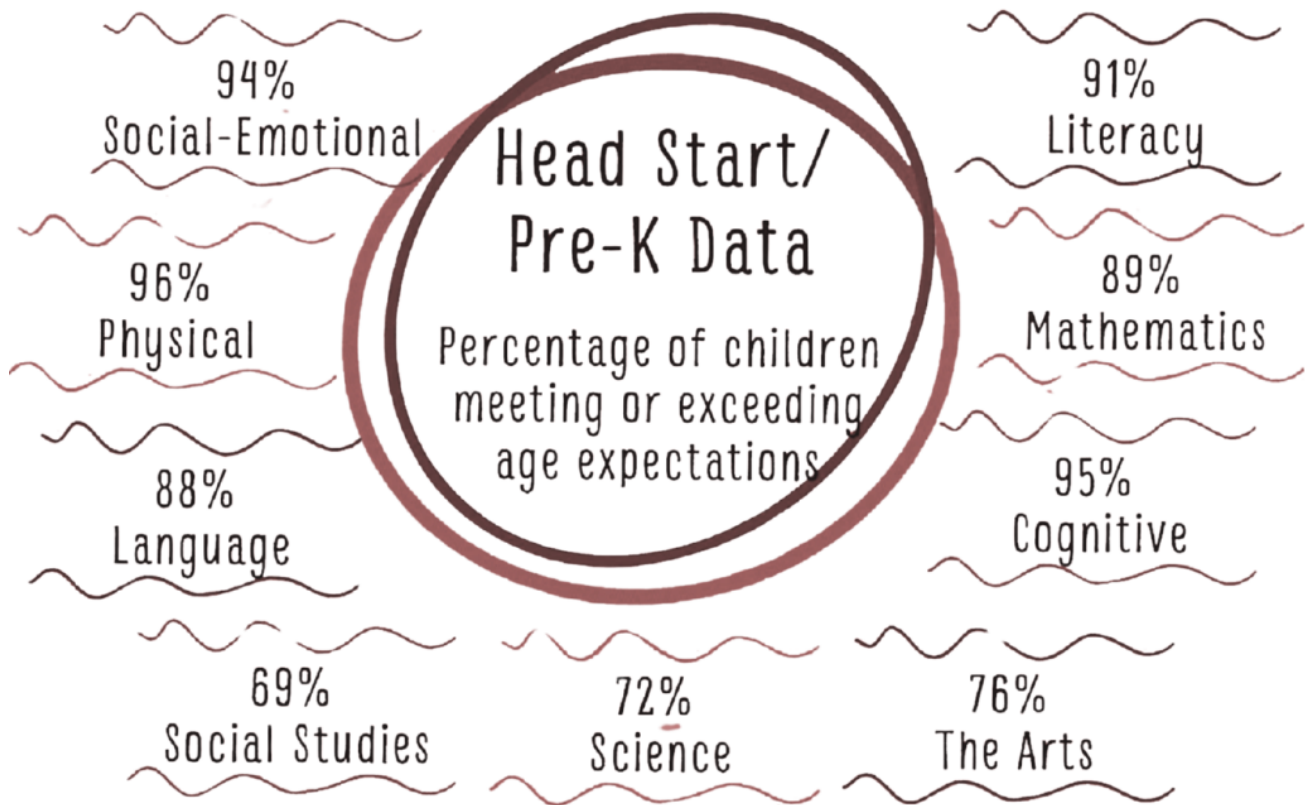
Ainsworth, Burwell, Central City, Centura, Columbus, Loup City, Ord, Schuyler, and St. Paul

2023-2024 Data



EHS/Sixpence Data
Percentage of children meeting or exceeding age expectations





◀ **Parent, Family & Community Engagement (PFCE)** ▶

619

Families attended parent meetings, contributing to a strong foundation of communication and collaboration between families, staff and their communities

Key Outcomes 2023-2024

388

Families participated in socialization events, fostering a sense of community and connection among families

7,927

Home visits completed, fostering direct engagement with families and providing an opportunity to address individual needs and build stronger relationships

519

Goals were set in collaboration with families to support their personal and child development aspirations
83% family goals met, 14% partially met, 3% not met

997

Referrals made to connect families with additional services and support, ensuring holistic involvement in children's development

Early Development Network provides services to families with children birth to 3 that have a disability. The program provides guidance and support in linking them to necessary resources and assists in navigating the countless services for their child. In 2024, the Early Development Network assisted 157 children in the program.



Vision Statement

Family

Our vision is that all families are strong and resilient to ensure an enriching life of independence

Agency

Our vision is for the agency to be a well-known, valued resource and advocate within our communities to eliminate barriers for families

Community

Our vision is that communities invest in human connections through teamwork to address challenges of diversity for all individuals and families

Our Impact This Year

Collaborations
1,702

In-Kind Donated
\$1,789,888

Square Miles
Served
60,060

Lives Touched
11,909

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CNCAP serves 21 counties in north central Nebraska: Blaine, Boone, Boyd, Brown, Colfax, Custer, Garfield, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Holt, Howard, Keya Paha, Loup, Merrick, Nance, Platte, Rock, Sherman, Valley, Wheeler.

- **Plus 62 counties for SSVF and 72 counties for SSG Fox SGP**

