All children and families in Ventura County will live and thrive in safe, healthy communities.

Ventura County
CHILD, YOUTH, AND FAMILY WELLNESS SYSTEM

The Vision: A Child, Youth, and Family Wellness System

Ventura County is taking a leading role in California to create a Child, Youth, and Family Wellness System. This means every door will be a "right door" for a family to ask for the support they need—with no blame, shame, or fear—to keep their family strong and together.

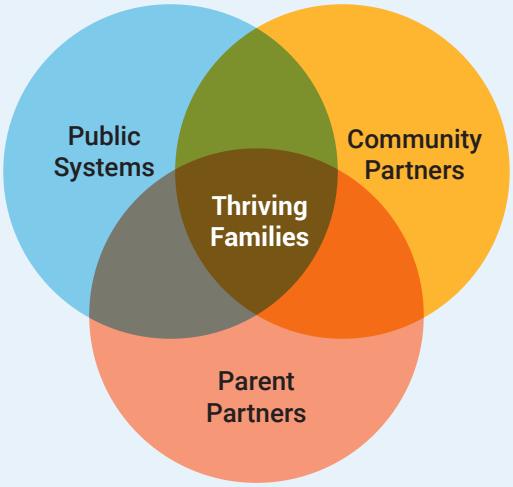
Why Now

We are in an unprecedented moment with significant California and federal reform opportunities and investments in children and families. These initiatives are beginning to shift the paradigm toward prevention. However, we know we need to go farther. Instead of operating from a mindset of "preventing bad things from happening to children," Ventura County will lead with a vision for child and family wellness centered on equity and social justice.

We Can Do This—Together

This vision calls for an unprecedented level of engagement from all of our public systems and community partners who touch the lives of children and families, as well as from parents and families who know what it takes to build their natural strengths so they can thrive together.

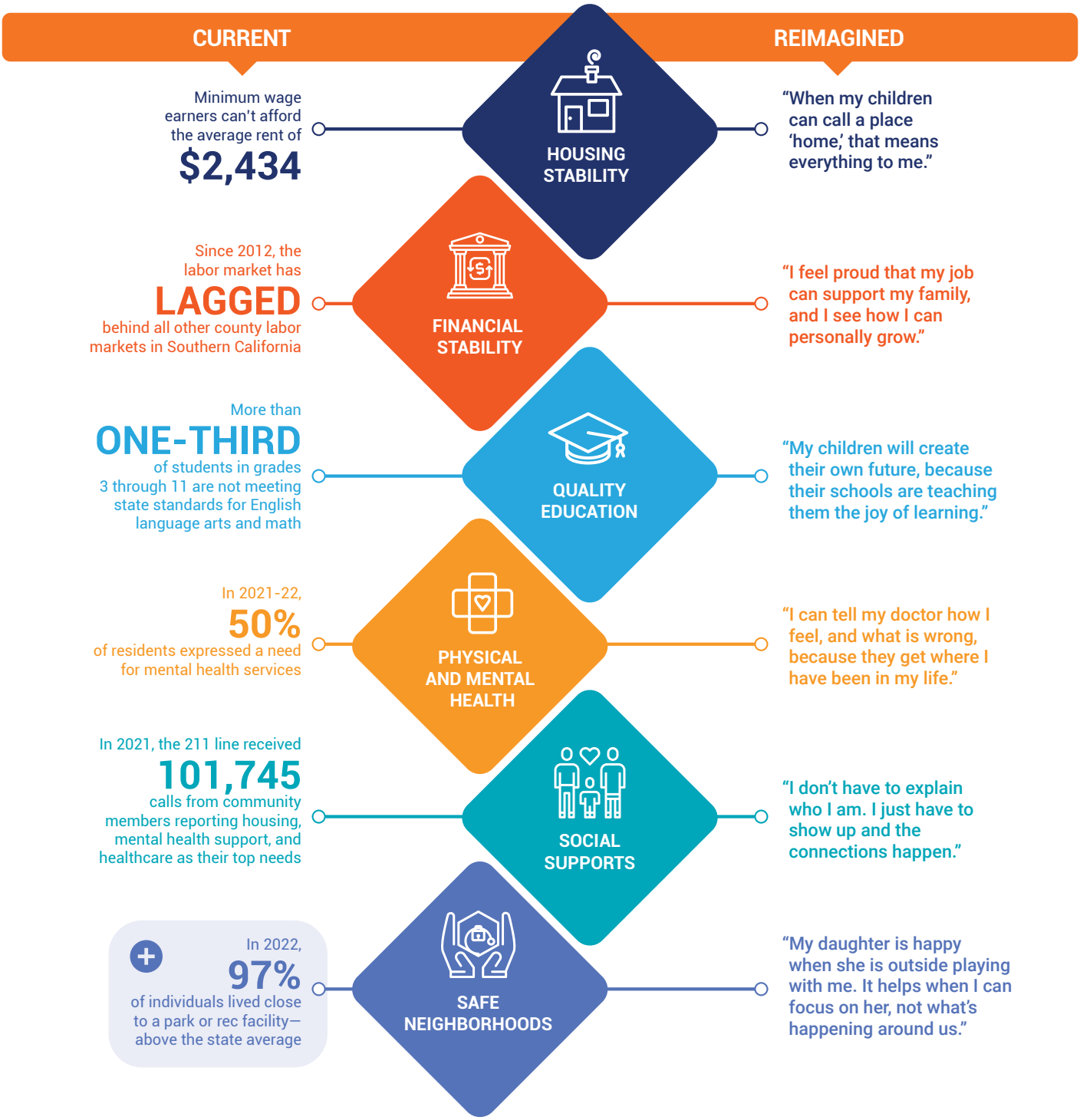
We know the responsibility must be shared. No one system has the mandate, reach, or resources to address both person-specific situations and the social conditions that too often have a lasting negative impact on children, youth, and families—poverty, inadequate housing, racism, unemployment, and community violence.



Ventura County public, community, and family partners have made an unwavering commitment to work together to align government, community, and family stakeholders to maximize wellness and quality of life so all Ventura County children, youth, and families are safe, healthy, educated, and well, with a sense of belonging, purpose, and opportunity to achieve their aspirations.

What Does Success Look Like?

In partnership with families, we can reimagine our systems to create a new experience for children, youth, and families—one of strength and wellness, in which they will thrive.



* All statistics are from Ventura Country. Quotes are based on feedback from Ventura County peer parent conversations.

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PUBLIC SYSTEM PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS
Attend a Strengthening Families Collaborative meeting
Learn more and get the zoom link

PARENTS
Attend a Parents Voices! meeting
Learn more and RSVP here