

Safe & Healthy County

May 2023



May is National Foster Care Awareness Month

The month of May is a time dedicated to raising awareness on issues related to foster care and celebrate those who are dedicated to serving our children, youth, and families. The 2023 national theme is "Strengthening Minds. Uplifting Families" which highlights the need for a holistic and culturally responsive approach to mental health care, to support permanency and help youth leave foster care with strengthened minds, holistic supports, and stable families. As of the end of April 2023, Mendocino County had approximately **212 youth** under the age of 18 in foster care. Resource parents are needed to provide nurturing, trauma informed-care to support their well-being. For more information on National Foster Care Month: <https://www.childwelfare.gov/fostercaremonth/>. To find out how you can help, please contact Family & Children's Services Resource Family Approval Supervisor Lindsey Coke at 707-467-5893 or cokel@mendocinocounty.org

Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and People's Day



In solidarity with our community, our Social Services team recognizes May 5th as Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Peoples Day. We come together supporting victims and their families, in hope that the recognition of this day will bring an end to the needless loss of life our indigenous communities have suffered.

Live Oak Apartment Remodel

20 of the Live Oak Apartment units were recently remodeled for Phase 2 increasing the **total number of units to 48**. The program also converted 6 apartments to 2-room units to accommodate families with children.

The waiting list includes well over 150 households. Demand for this housing continues to be very strong.

The garden in the former pool area is getting prepared for spring planting, and nutrition/cooking classes are planned on site this summer.



New Live Oak Unit completed in Phase 2

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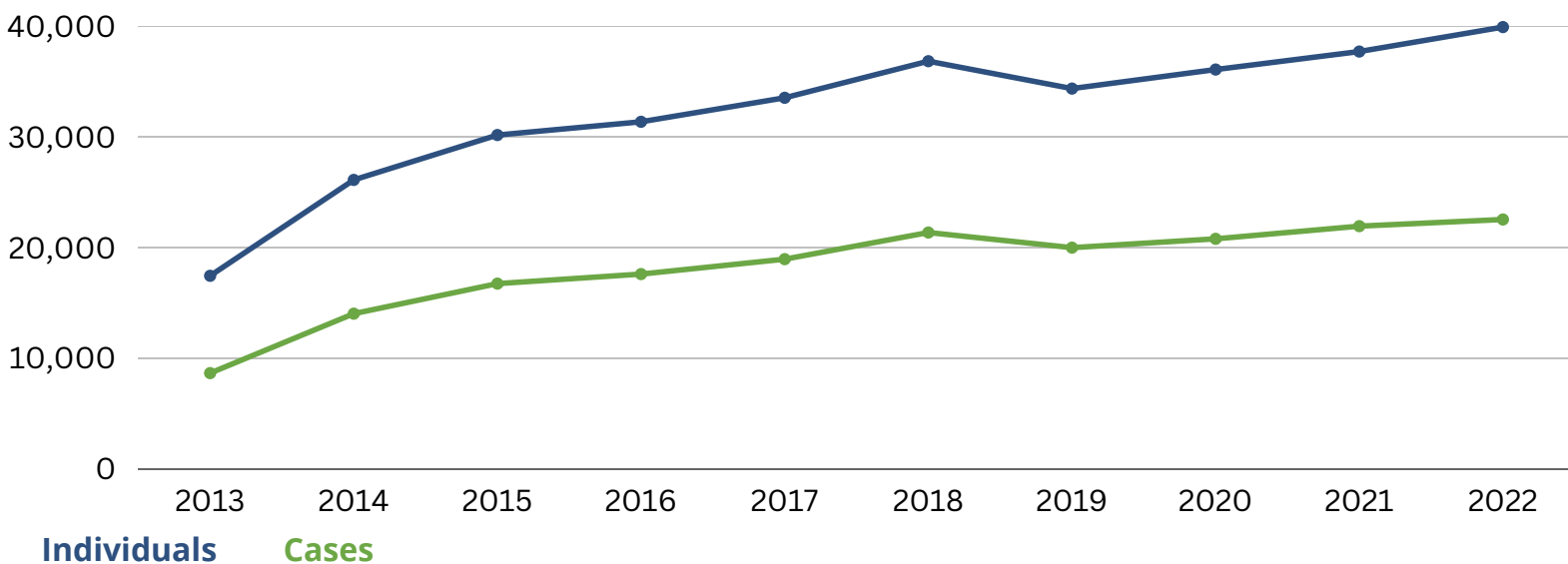
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Medi-Cal Renewals Expected

The Continuous Coverage mandate for Medi-Cal ended on 3/31 and every Medi-Cal household will go through the renewal process within the next 12 months. This does not mean that every case will be renewed at once. Renewals will be spread out over the year, based on the month that the household last applied or renewed their Medi-Cal, starting in June 2023. Some cases will be automatically renewed, if the County can verify the information available in the case and there have been no changes. However, most households will receive a renewal packet in the mail, asking for current household information. If you receive a packet or notice in the mail, please complete the requested information in order to avoid losing coverage. If you have changed your address within the last few years, and have not yet reported it to the County, you should contact your worker right away to get the information updated. Call (707) 463-7700 or (707) 962-1000 for more information or to report changes. Help us keep you covered!

Mendocino County Medi-Cal Caseload Growth



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