

**West Marin
Community
Services**



2024-2025 Impact Report

Every One. All Ways. Una Comunidad Unida

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LETTER FROM THE DIRECTORS

Dear Friends of WMCS,

July 2024 - June 2025 marked an intense period of transition and responsiveness to community needs. This Impact Report provides a glimpse into our activities during this time, but does not come close to capturing the breadth, depth and heart of our work.

We want to thank Socorro Romo for leading us through this year with courage and integrity. We applaud our Board of Directors for a rigorous and successful recruitment process for our new Executive Director. Most of all, we thank you for standing with us - we remain committed to una comunidad unida.

Anne-Marie Flynn, Executive Director
Carlos Porrata, Board Chair



OUR MISSION & VALUES

Mission: WMCS supports programs and services that ensure the well-being of individuals and families in West Marin.

Values: Human dignity, social justice, equity, inclusion, and *comunidad* are the values that guide our work.

Vision: Full bellies, warm hearts, thriving families *y una comunidad unida*.

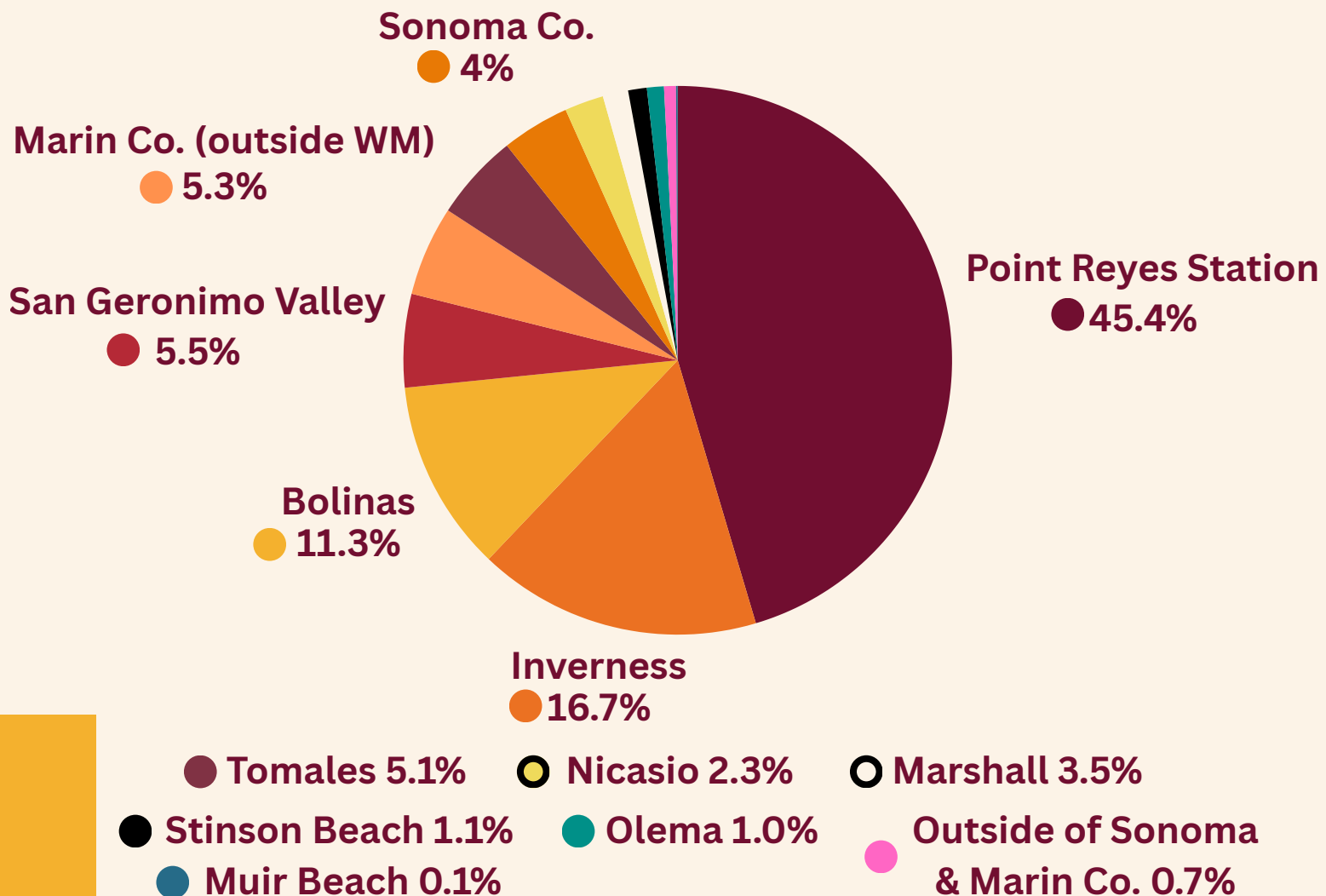
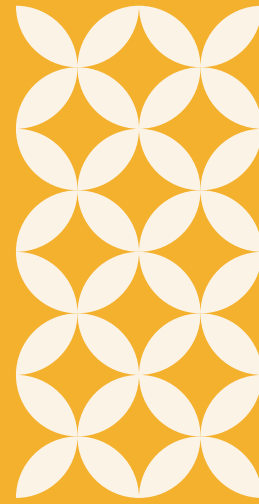


WHO WE SERVE

1,230 households

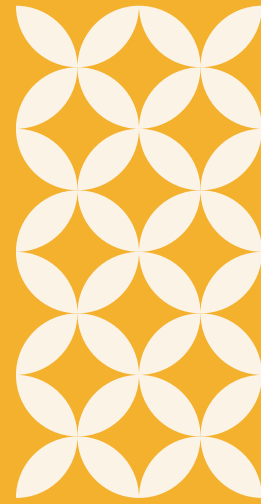
3,610 individuals

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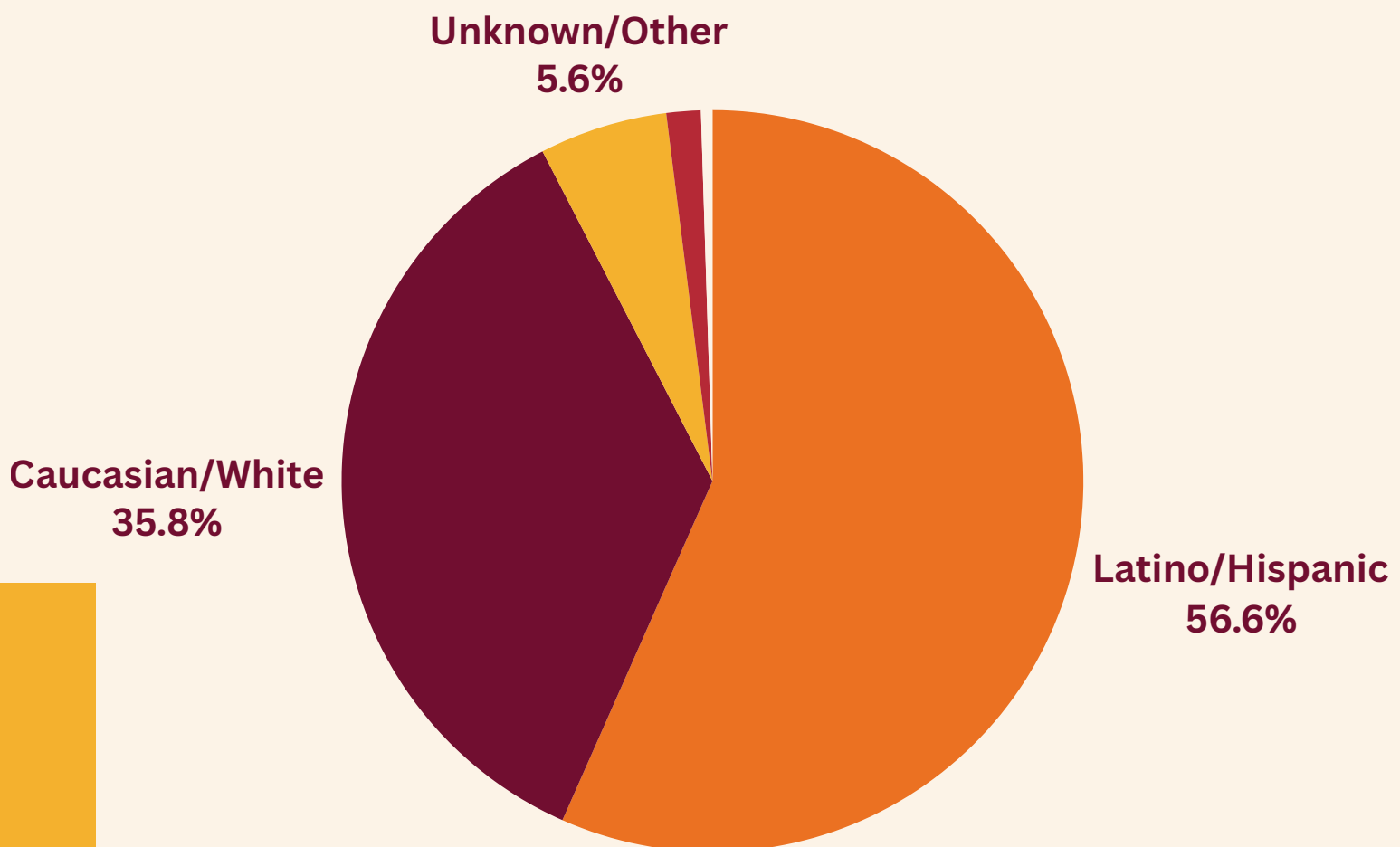
Latino: 2,050/56.8%

Caucasian/White: 1,296/ 35.9%

Unknown/Other: 201/ 5.6%

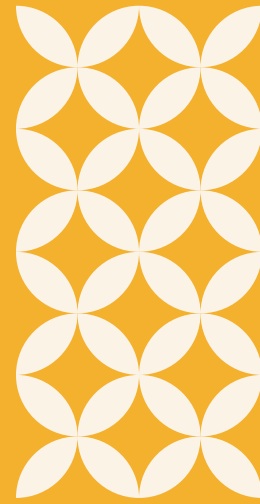
Asian-American/Pacific Islander (AAPI): 46/ 1.3%

Black or African American: 17/0.5%



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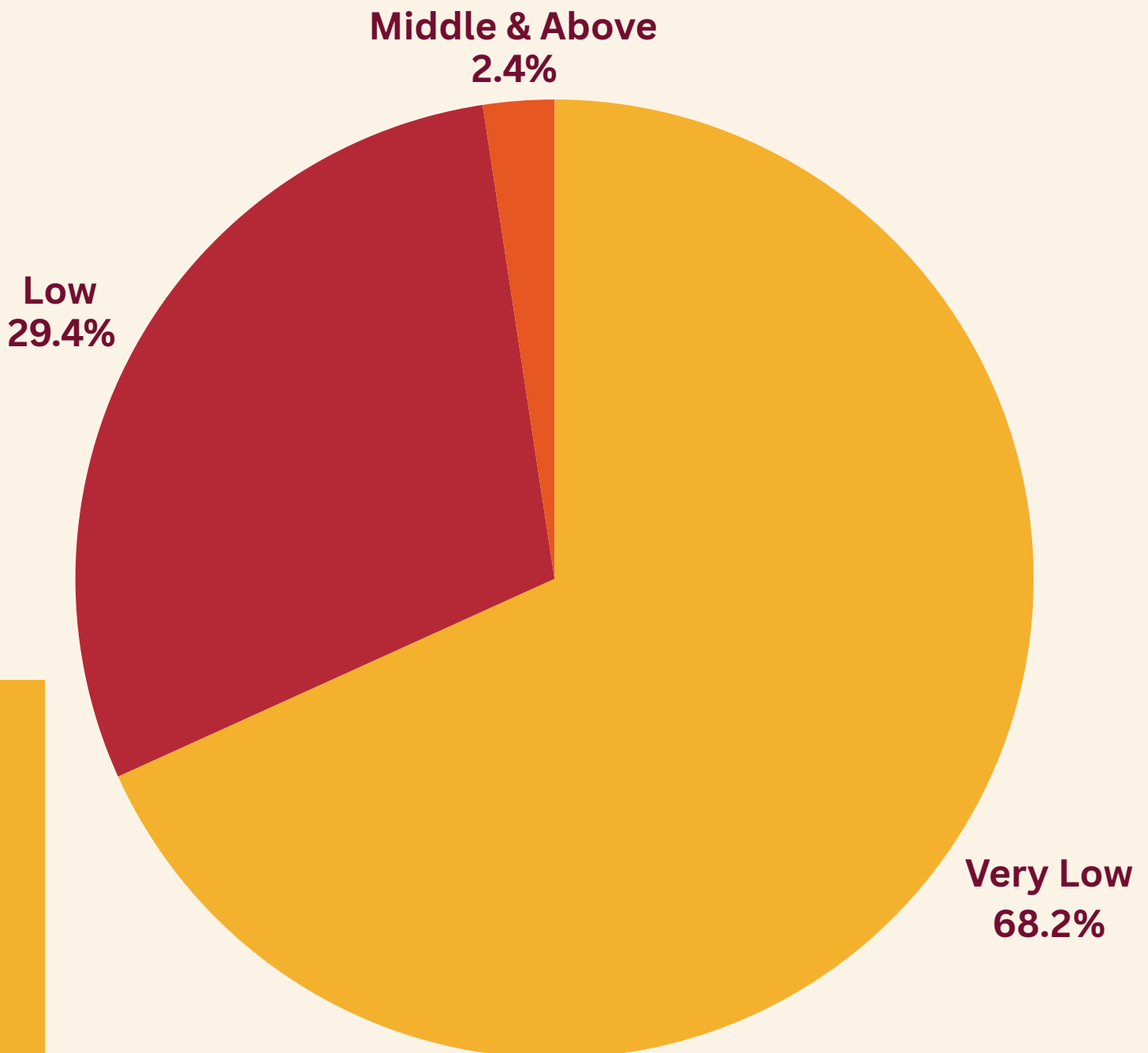


WMCS Client income levels:

Very Low: 2,462 /68.3%

Low: 1,059 /29.3%

Middle & Above: 86 /2.4%





FOOD PANTRY

- Open 5 days per week and completed an upgrade to our pantry with grocery store style shopping
- 5,763 Food Pantry visits by 934 clients
- 54 unhoused clients with 555 visits
- 8,368 pounds of food donated and distributed from SF-Marin Food Bank, Extra Foods and local donors

“I have 3 young children and am a single parent. If I didn’t have this pantry in town, I would need to go over the hill to the cheaper stores since I can’t afford food in town. The pantry really saves us money every month.”

“You have no idea how much you (food pantry) being here enriches my life and my day. Not much makes me feel included and provides joy in my day, but I know I’ll have that when I come here”



RESOURCE CENTER

Total financial resources distributed: \$75K+

Distribution of Funds (financial assistance): **17**

HEAP – Heat and Utility Assistance from CAM: **10**

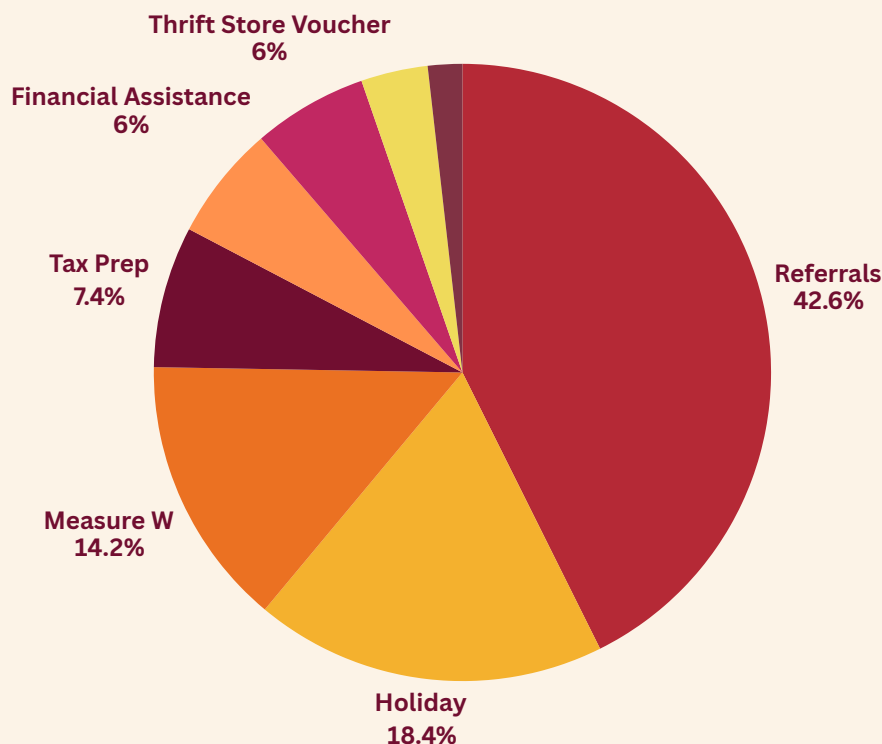
Measure W Rental Assistance: **40**

Referrals: **120**

Season of Sharing from CAM: **5**

Tax Prep Event: **21**

Thrift Store Vouchers: **17**





THRIFT STORE

- 25,084 pounds of clothing and household goods were donated and re-purposed
- 33 volunteers contributed 851 hours
- 100% of net proceeds support the community through our Resouce Center distribution fund

“At WMCS Thrift Store, we believe it’s not just about finding great deals, it’s about finding connections. One of our regular customers drives 45 minutes every week just to visit our store. But it’s not the clothes or home goods that bring her here; it’s the friendship she found. Every week, she spends a few minutes chatting and laughing with one of our team members, someone who’s become more like a friend than just a familiar face behind the counter. Those short conversations, filled with warmth and smiles, have become a highlight of her week. It’s moments like these that remind use why we do what we do. WMCS Thrift Store isn’t just a place to shop; it’s a place where kindness grows, where hearts meet, and where community feels like home.”



COMMUNITY RESILIENCY TEAM (CRT)

The West Marin CRT is co-led by WMCS and San Geronimo Valley Community Center (SGVCC). The program integrates **emergency preparedness, public health, overdose prevention**, and multi-agency coordination for West Marin.

The CRT leads 12 Zone meetings per year, convening partners such as the Dance Palace, Bolinas Community Center, Tomales Town Hall, KWMR, the disaster councils, Marin Health & Human Services (HHS) staff and experts, and other critical local partners.

How to use Naloxone Nasal Spray.

Before use, check for signs of opioid overdose:
 • Will not wake up or respond to your voice or touch • Breathing is very slow, irregular, or has stopped
 • Center part of their eye is very small, sometimes called "pinpoint pupils"

Lay the person on their back to receive a dose of Naloxone Nasal Spray.

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1. Peel back the package to remove the device. Hold the device with your thumb and 2 fingers on the nozzle.



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2. Place and hold the tip of the nozzle in either nostril until your fingers touch the bottom of the patient's nose.

Tilt the person's head back and provide support under the neck with your hands. Gently insert the tip of the nozzle into one nostril, until your fingers are either side of the bottom of the person's nose.



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3. Press the plunger firmly to give the dose of Naloxone Nasal Spray into the patient's nose.

Remove the Naloxone Nasal Spray from the nostril after giving the dose.



Move the person on their side (recovery position) after giving Naloxone Nasal Spray.



HAND SUPPORTS HEAD
KNEE STOPS BODY FROM ROLLING ONTO STOMACH



CRT HIGHLIGHTS

OVERDOSE PREVENTION

West Marin CRT has installed and maintained **eleven** 24/7 Emergency boxes with Naloxone and Fentanyl Test Strips. This number was lauded as ahead of other CRT Zones and a model for Marin County.

Total Naloxone distributed: **321**

Total Fentanyl test strips distributed: **880**

We know this program is making a difference when we hear stories like from a community member who reported an overdose reversal using Naloxone nasal spray obtained from the 24/7 Naloxbox in Bolinas.



CRT HIGHLIGHTS

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREPAREDNESS

Four **Health & Wellness Fairs** with a total of 650+ attendees. The West Marin Health Fair model, originally considered outside of the CRT work, is now a model for all the CRT Zones.

Between the fairs we accomplished over **213 COVID & Flu vaccinations, 132 vision exams, and 11 STI tests.**

Other CRT events:

- Student Tools for Emergency Planning (STEP) at West Marin School
- Climate Fest youth-led event at SGVCC
- AlertMarin enrollment and preparedness education in Spanish and English across the region
- Lifesaving Skills in Spanish in Point Reyes



YOUTH SERVICES OVERVIEW

In 2024-25 the WMCS Youth Program included the 5 day per week after school Youth Center on West Marin School Campus, camps during school breaks, Waterdogs water safety and swimming lessons, and a pilot once-per week afterschool program at Tomales Elementary School.

The ages most reached are 11 – 15 years old, the average is much lower with Waterdogs that ranges from 6 – 11 years old.

Youth Reached: 133, majority are Latino and come from low-income households.

41% of participating youth received full or partial scholarships



YOUTH SERVICES

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YOUTH

“Doing the art and cooking makes me really happy.”

“I should get outside more.” – after the tidepool
Duxbury Reef field trip

“I love it here, all my friends are here.”

• “Can we do this every day?”

• “This is the first time I’ve carved a pumpkin. I really like it!”





ABRIENDO CAMINOS FINDING OUR PATH

This program underwent a pandemic-enduced hiatus from 2020 to 2023 with several starts and stops. In 2024, we conducted focus groups in Point Reyes, Tomales, and Bolinas. The FY 24-25 encapsulates the last leg of 2024 planning and the start of a fully actualized program in 2025.

The Standing Together event on Monday January 20 drew in over 1,000 people between the Bolinas, Point Reyes, and San Geronimo Valley events. Due to popular demand from the potluck experience at this event, we began monthly community potlucks in April through October 2025.



ABRIENDO CAMINOS FINDING OUR PATH - EVENTS

Community Potlucks: 3 events (April, May, and June), with 50+ attendees each

Site hosts were the Dance Palace Community Center and West Marin Elementary School

- **April co-host:** Point Reyes Library
- **May co-hosts:** Mainstreet Moms and Papermill Creek Preschool
- **June co-host:** West Marin Allies

Indigenous Celebration – October 2024: 51 attendees

Spiritual/Emotional Retreats and Personal Improvement Trainings for emerging Latino leaders in Bolinas and Point Reyes Station: 21 participants



WEST MARIN IMMIGRATION RAPID RESPONSE NETWORK (WMIRRN)

In response to the increase in immigration enforcement, ICE raids, and other attacks against our immigrant community members, WMCS together with Marin Multicultural Center are operating rapid response networks. These networks provide a way for people to respond to fear and anxiety in our community. The network provides a 24-hour hotline to immigrants facing a raid or public arrest by federal immigration agents, dispatches trained legal observers to the raid/arrest location, and offers accompaniment to impacted people and families following a raid.

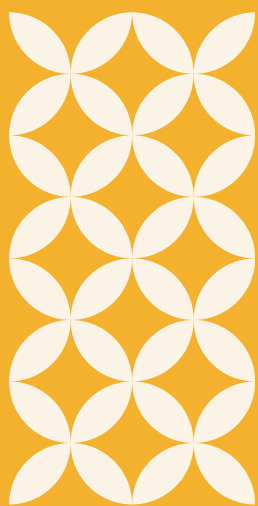
In the first half of 2025, we began offering Know Your Rights and Legal Observer trainings across West Marin as well as helping families prepare for immigration emergencies and identify legal guardians for their children in the case of detainment or deportation of parents. This work will continue as long as it is needed.



PARTNERS & COLLABORATIONS

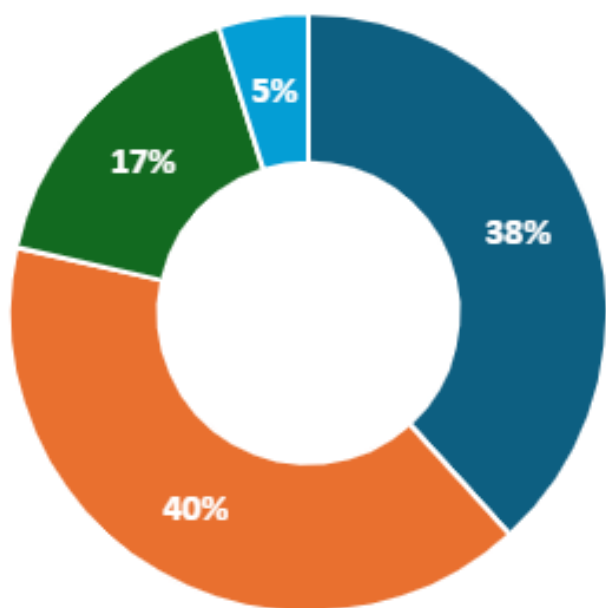
WMCS's work is inherently collaborative. Across CRT, Resource Center, Youth Program, Abriendo Caminos (including WMIRRN), and Events. Partners include SGVCC, BCLT, EAH (Walnut Place), CLAM, Marin County Free Library, Dance Palace, Marin HHS/Public Health, Shoreline Unified School District, Bolinas-Stinson Unified School District, West Marin Fund, Marin Community Foundation, Main Street Moms, local fire departments, disaster councils, and many more.

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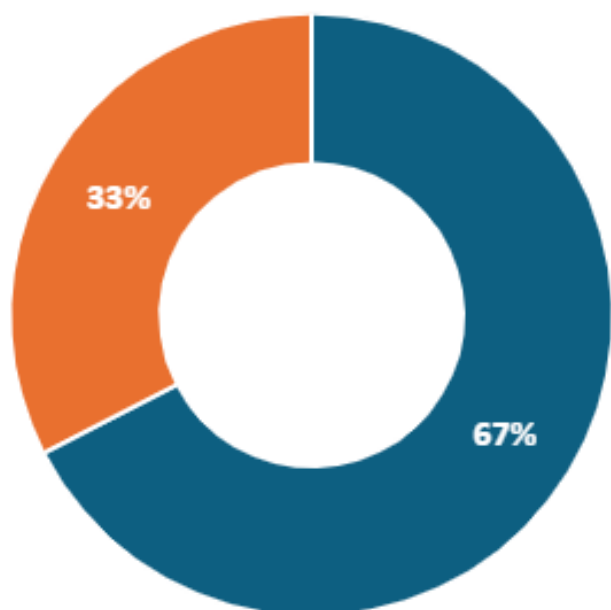
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

INCOME



- Donations - General Support \$662,532
- Donations & Grants - Restricted \$697,357
- Operating Income \$288,329
- Investment & Interest Income \$84,042

EXPENSES



- Programs & Projects \$1,066,800
- Management & General Operations \$515,076

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2025-2026

- Expand our support and reach through the West Marin Immigration Rapid Response Network
- Support households being displaced from ranches on the seashore and Martinelli Ranch
- Open a second Youth Center in Tomales two days per week
- Leadership transition and staff and board development





Stand with us.



*Your support will help us fulfill
our vision of full bellies, warm
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