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At Health Net, we focus on whole person healthcare solutions. Each community is unique, so we partner with local groups and public agencies to build those solutions. We invest millions of dollars in programs that address social drivers of whole health and improve outcomes for all Californians.*

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INVESTMENTS

Stronger Communities Through Housing and Workforce Investment

Across California, new investments are expanding access to housing and job training. A [\\$31 million statewide housing investment](#) will support 10 projects and create more than 900 affordable homes, including:

- **South Los Angeles** – Construction has begun on a [new housing community for people and their families](#)
- **Lancaster** – A community site will be upgraded to provide [job training, housing help and reentry services in one place](#)

Together, these efforts help build stable foundations, support long-term health and create pathways to success.

[Read more about housing and workforce investments](#)

Stockton Nursing and Health Students Get a Boost with Health Net Investment

More trained nurses for Central Valley communities

A new high-fidelity simulation suite at Stanislaus State's Stockton campus will help nursing and health students practice real-world skills before entering the workforce.

This \$817,141 investment will support training for more than 300 students each year and strengthen the local pipeline of nurses and healthcare professionals.

Over time, this investment will help clinics and hospitals fill open positions more quickly and reduce staff burnout.

[See how hands-on training prepares future nurses](#)



Behavioral Health Care and Housing Expand with LA Grant

Care, treatment and housing in one place

A \$6 million investment will help transform the former St. Vincent Medical Center campus in the Los Angeles MacArthur Park area into a full-service behavioral health center.

The campus will offer crisis care, rehabilitation services and long-term housing — providing support when people need it most.

Integrated care and housing can help reduce repeat crises and support more stable, long-term recovery.

[Learn how care and housing can improve lives](#)

Sacramento Gains Affordable Housing and Local Support Through Health Net Grant

Stable housing helps people age with dignity and safety

A \$3 million Health Net grant will support affordable housing and regional systems across Sacramento County. Funds will be distributed to the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) and Mutual Housing California.

This investment will help expand local housing and make it easier for older adults to remain in their communities as they age.

Stable housing can also reduce emergency healthcare utilization and help seniors stay connected to local services.

[Learn how housing investments support healthy communities](#)

LA County Expands Housing Support to Improve Community Health

Health Net commits \$10 Million to accelerate LA housing

Health Net has committed \$10 million to accelerate housing development in Los Angeles County. This funding will help local partners move projects forward more quickly, increasing housing availability for those with the greatest need.

Stable housing supports better health outcomes and long-term community stability.

[Read more about the LA housing grant](#)

COMMUNITY

Join Our Community Advisory Committees and Share What Matters

Help guide better care for your community

Community Advisory Committees bring members and local partners together to share experiences and identify gaps in care. This feedback helps shape programs and inform local decision-making.

As a result, services better reflect community needs and improve quality of care.

[Learn more about Community Advisory Committees](#)

Practical Solutions Help California Communities Improve Access to Care

Health leaders share real-world strategies to strengthen care

Health Net leaders joined community clinic partners at a regional forum to share practical approaches for improving care delivery and collaboration across counties.

Topics included ways to:

- Expand access to care
- Strengthen collaboration with community-based organizations
- Improve health outcomes through local action

These discussions help turn ideas into action and strengthen California's healthcare safety net.

[Learn more about the event](#)

Stronger School-Based Care Supports Earlier Intervention and Better Outcomes for California Students

Statewide leaders share strategies to support student health

Health Net joined partners at the [California School-Based Health Alliance](#) conference, where leaders discussed effective approaches to supporting student health through school-based services, including:

- Behavioral health support
- On-campus access to care
- Long-term care planning

These efforts help students receive support earlier and stay on track for better outcomes.

Black Families in San Joaquin County Gain Stronger Support for Healthier Starts

Partnerships strengthen care for Black mothers and infants

Health Net cohosted a Black maternal health event with San Joaquin Public Health and local partners. The event focused on improving outcomes for Black mothers and their infants.

Topics included:

- The role of doulas
- Workforce support
- Culturally responsive care

These collaborative efforts help build stronger support systems for Black families.

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California Health Equity Officers Raise the Bar to Address Disparities

Advancing equitable care through leadership and partnership

A [California Health Care Foundation](#) article highlights the growing role of Chief Health Equity Officers across the state.

The article explores how health equity leaders:

- Strengthen local partnerships
- Build trust within communities
- Improve culturally responsive care
- Expand access to services
- Guide policy and strategy across health plans

These leaders are translating vision into action, driving meaningful change for communities most in need by aligning strategic goals with day-to-day operations and place-based initiatives.

[Read the article](#)