



# 2025 Community Needs Assessment



## Methodology

Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska conducts a Regional Needs Assessment on a three-year basis, with census updates added to the assessment annually. In March of 2025, 650 surveys were sent by postal mail to roughly 300 individuals who have or are currently utilizing Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska services and 350 randomly sampled recipients. In addition to the mailed surveys, the survey was also made available online and a link was shared on the agency’s webpage and social media accounts. The survey period ended in May of 2025.

**32%**

### Return Rate

Out of 650 surveys sent via mail, 101 were returned with an additional 110 surveys completed online.



### Perceptions of Poverty

1. Wages too low
2. Lack of affordable/quality housing
3. Low motivation



### Demographics

The typical respondent was a Caucasian female, age 45-64, living alone in Buffalo County with a Bachelor’s Degree.



### Top Three Needs

1. Affordable food
2. Affordable dental care
3. Home maintenance/repair

When asked what programs or services individuals would like to see in their community, the single most mentioned service was **affordable, accessible, and quality daycare**. Additional programs and services that were frequently mentioned include the need for **food pantries/food services** as well as **affordable housing**.