



Diane's Story (62 years old):

Moved to Yuba City from the Bay Area over 20 years ago. She lived with her husband and children in south Yuba City. After 22 years of marriage the couple divorced, both now have an amicable relationship. For years Diane “couch surfed”, meaning stayed with various friends, family member here and there. Eventually, Diane found herself living in her car at a shopping center’s parking lot. Diane continued to work even while living out of her car. In 2022, Diane entered Better Way. She tried finding housing, but it was difficult because she didn't have steady income or credit. She lived like this for 3 ½ years before going to Better Way. While at the shelter she was able to get a bank account, save money, and got her Social Security Card! She has now been housed since 2022! She is grateful to be able to relax and have her grandkids over. As of 2022, she continued to work full time. Diane texted to the Better Way team, “Thank you for all you have done, I love my place”.

