



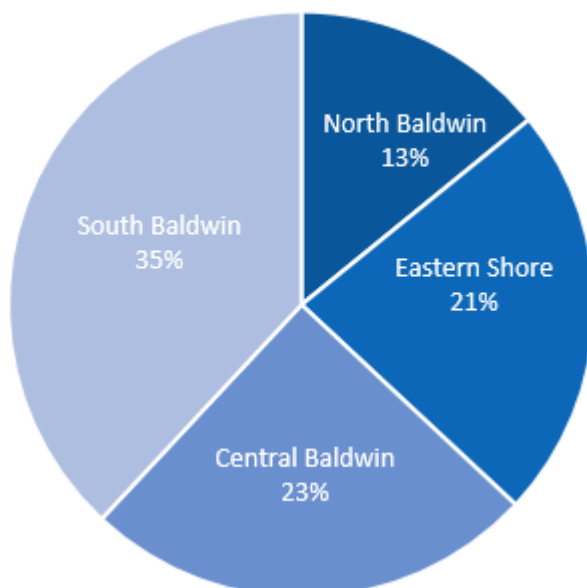
BALDWIN TOGETHER is a coordinated countywide framework to assist and support the residents of Baldwin County in recovery from the economic, sociological, and emotional impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

BALDWIN TOGETHER opened to the public as a countywide comprehensive case management resource for Baldwin County residents on September 1, 2020. An extraordinary number of calls and emails flooded the office immediately, verifying the suspected needs due to the unique and unprecedented disaster caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

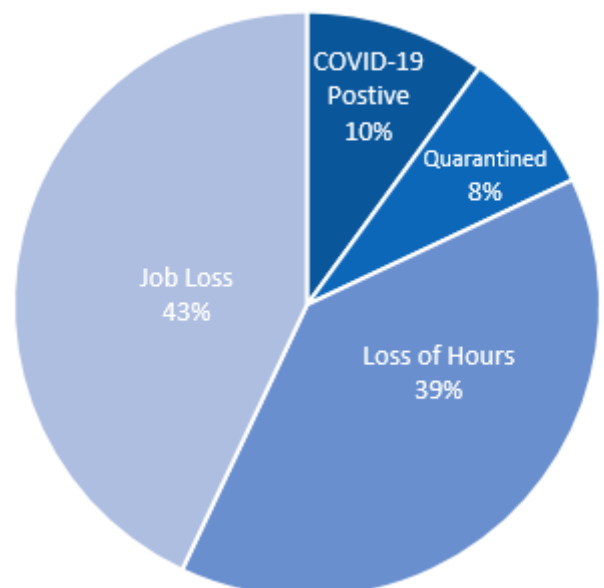
2020 Report

The residents of Baldwin County are resilient, but navigating available resources is complex. **BALDWIN TOGETHER** has provided a way for struggling individuals and families to access a caring compassionate person who can help them find programs and organizations to help guide them through the recovery process. In just four months, the case managers fielded calls from 400 households. Thanks to a generous grant by the Mapp Family Foundation and a pandemic grant from the State of Alabama, the case managers have been able to provide \$45,000 of assistance for rent/mortgage or utility payments to **97 Baldwin County households** through year's end. These allocations and connections were critical as the social service network in the County works together as a safety net for thousands of families struggling to stay in their housing or keep the lights on. These caring case managers calm fears while offering a path forward to those who have lost jobs, seen a reduction in hours, missed work due to testing positive for COVID-19, cared for a sick loved one or quarantined due to exposure.

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BALDWIN TOGETHER will continue to be a listening ear and the avenue to community resources for hope, healing and recovery.

BALDWIN TOGETHER anticipates working with hundreds more families through 2021 as the County works toward herd immunity with the COVID-19 vaccination process.

No two stories are alike is the message that our both of case managers shared. *“Vivian” and her husband, “Stan” both contracted COVID-19. He was hospitalized due to complications from Parkinson’s Disease. They live on Social Security and extra income from her part-time job at McDonald’s. Vivian’s hours were already reduced due to the pandemic and her illness and subsequent quarantine along with travel expenses to the hospital quickly used up the couple’s rainy day funds. The stress of not knowing where to turn for help and the looming knowledge that she had no way to pay for their trailer’s monthly mortgage and lot rent weighed heavily on Vivian. She says BALDWIN TOGETHER was an answer to her prayers. Fortunately, both Vivian and Stan are now recovered and remain in their home.*

The stakeholders in BALDWIN TOGETHER include: Baldwin County Commission, Baldwin County EMA, Baldwin County VOAD, Baldwin County Economic Development Alliance, Baldwin Realtors, Central Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce, Gulf Coast Business Chamber, Gulf Shores Orange Beach Tourism, North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Baldwin County, Mapp Family Foundation.

Active BCVOAD Members include: 211 Connects/Lifelines, Adventist Disaster Response, Alabama Department of Public Health, American Red Cross, Baldwin Baptist Disaster Relief, Baldwin County Public Schools, Baldwin County EMA, Catholic Social Services, Christian Service Center, Church of the Highlands, Community Action Agency, Convoy of Hope, Council on Aging, Dept. of Human Resources, Disaster Victim Services, Ecumenical Ministries, Inc., Fairhope Rotary Club, Fairhope United Methodist Church, Family Promise, Feeding the Gulf Coast, Grace Lutheran, Gulf Shores Church of Christ, Gulf Shores United Methodist Church, Habitat for Humanity, Liberty Church, Point Clear Rotary, Prodissee Pantry, Providence United Methodist Church, Salvation Army, Team Rubicon Alabama, United Way of Baldwin County.