

# Bay Area Equity Atlas

Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors  
Budget Retreat

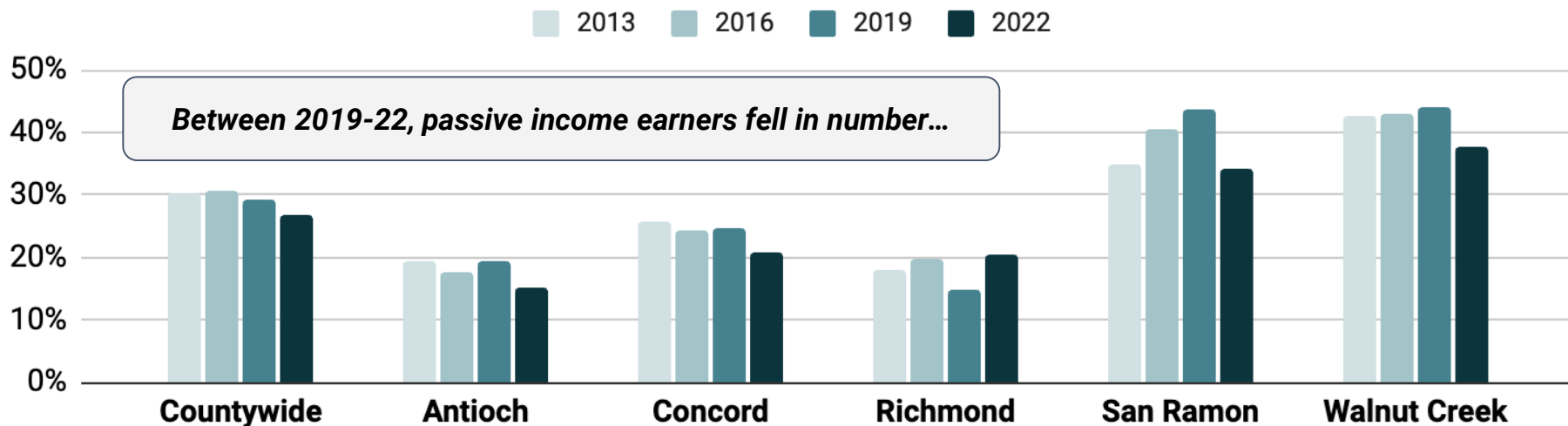
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### Percent of households with income from interest, dividends, and/or rent

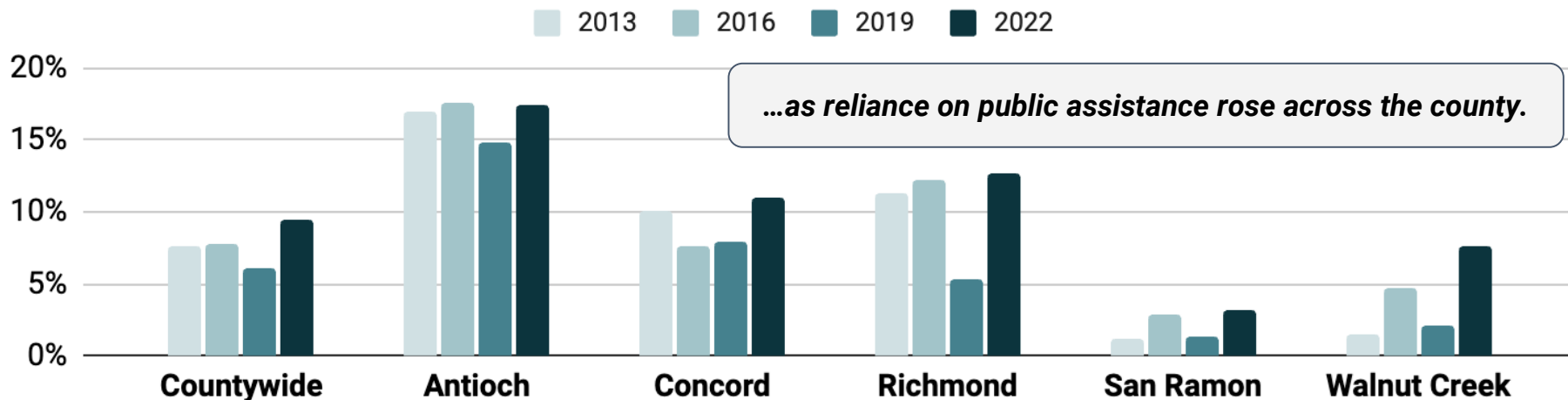


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### Percent of households receiving cash public assistance or food stamps/SNAP



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## A larger share of locals are struggling, even with an exodus of low-income residents.

- The county has a growing net loss of residents to other parts of the state & nation.
- “Departers” are far more likely to be economically distressed than “newcomers.”

Year	Departed CCC in past 12 months	Moved to CCC in past 12 months	Net gain from residents moving in past 12 months	Percent of residents w/ household income below 200% of federal poverty limits	
				“Departers”	“Newcomers”
<b>2013</b>	38,419	50,807	+12,388	22%	8%
<b>2016</b>	55,978	64,721	+8,743	15%	6%
<b>2019</b>	57,588	55,892	-1,696	13%	4%
<b>2022</b>	75,597	55,552	<b>-20,045</b>	17%	8%

*Does not include moves between Contra Costa County and other parts of the world, as emigration data is not available.*

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# Reliable, sustainable data infrastructures are a cornerstone of equitable governance.

- You can't change what you can't measure!
- Integrating population- and market-level data with:
  - **Program-level data for county agencies**
    - Results-based planning & performance measures
    - Track impact & lift up effective practices
  - **Community engagement & qualitative data**
    - Pursue alignment between resident needs & county priorities
    - Less about scientific samples than commitment to engaging residents

# Effectively addressing urgent disparities requires commitment to the long haul of building equity.

- Support the groundwork that's already been done (ORESJ, CAO, etc.) in countywide systems change – impact requires investment
  - Technical skill-building requires culture change
- Participatory planning/budgeting does not equal anarchy!
  - See examples of: Vallejo, Seattle, Chicago, Phoenix, many more
- Please consider the **Bay Area Equity Atlas** a living resource for county agencies & officials

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