

Community Action, Inc.

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Crossroads

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For **homeless emergencies** after
normal business hours or
domestic violence assistance call
(814) 938-3580 or
Toll Free 1-800-598-3998 (24-hour hotline)



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Counties since 1965

PROJECT GUIDE



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The Promise of Community Action

*Community Action changes people's lives,
embodies the spirit of hope, improves
communities, and makes America a better
place to live. We care about the entire
community and we are dedicated to
helping people help themselves
and each other.*

Community Action, Inc. (CAI) is a charitable 501(c)(3), non-profit corporation established in 1965 and has a successful history of delivering services, helping families achieve economic independence, and improving the community.

CAI's Mission: "Community Action, Inc. will be a community catalyst to provide and coordinate activities which promote family self-sufficiency and advance community prosperity."

CAI's Vision: "Community Action, Inc. will be recognized as a premier organization dedicated to solving social and economic problems of the community."

CAI will focus work and resources on four strategic issues identified from the results of a community needs assessment:

- Retain youth in the community
- Remain relevant and responsive to the needs of the community
- Improve the economic conditions of families
- Improve the social conditions of families and communities

CAI is results oriented and committed to partnering with others to help families advance and communities prosper.

Please call with questions or to determine if you meet the eligibility requirements of specific projects.

Community Action Projects



Community Development

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Acts as a community catalyst; advocates and mobilizes partners to plan initiatives and solve community problems.



FAMILY / FOOD SERVICES

Provides limited help for rent, mortgage, utility bills, and food; assists with the completion of food stamp applications.



YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES

Engages youth in activities that promote personal and community responsibility, work ethics, work readiness, financial literacy, and leadership skills.



WEATHERIZATION

Installs materials such as attic insulation, weather strips, and door sweeps, to reduce home energy consumption; provides energy conservation education.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION/PREVENTION

Provides victims of domestic violence and their children emergency shelter, 24-hour hotline, community and school educational programs, options counseling, legal advocacy, and group support.



MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTATION

Provides non-emergency mileage reimbursement and transportation services to enrolled Jefferson County residents with a valid PA Department of Human Services Access Card. Must be traveling to and from a medical assistance covered service.



BUILDING ECONOMIC SUCCESS TOGETHER (BEST)

Provides intensive case management to enable high school dropouts to obtain a GED and develop career plans. Individuals must be actively seeking employment or better employment. Child care, transportation, and training assistance may be available.



ADULT EDUCATION / CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Provides individuals with instruction in a classroom/computer lab setting to: improve reading, math, and computer skills; enhance job readiness; conduct career exploration and training preparation; and develop skills to pass the General Educational Development (GED) Test. Support services and case management are also available. Tutors provided on a case-by-case basis.



CASE MANAGEMENT

Advocates families to accept personal responsibility to overcome barriers to economic independence by collaboratively establishing goals and strategies.



HOMELESS SERVICES

Provides homeless: emergency shelter; transitional housing; help with locating and establishing a residence; and case management. Also provides homeless veterans and their families with supportive services.



SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES

Provides assistance to veterans and their families with ongoing case management and collaboratively establishing long term goals of housing stability and economic independence.



SENIOR CORPS - RSVP

Utilizes the talents of volunteers ages 55 and over to meet community needs. Senior Corps-RSVP volunteers choose activities relating to their skills, interests, and time availability. Volunteers mentor children, conduct environmental tests, perform clerical duties, assist the elderly, tutor adults, and much more.



VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

Offers free tax assistance to families who annually earn \$54,000 or less. IRS-certified volunteers prepare free basic federal income tax return, Pennsylvania state return, local tax return, and property tax/rent rebate applications.