

A BRIEF UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS IN WASHINGTON

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District Information Template

IOWA 5th DISTRICT

The Honorable Tom Latham

	STATE	DISTRICT
CSBG \$:	\$7.1 mil	\$2.17 mil
TOTAL AGENCY BUDGET:		\$88 mil
# OF CLIENTS SERVED:	365,752	128,297
# OF VOLUNTEER HRS:		96,000
CAA WORKFORCE:	3,350	1,400

CAAs IN DISTRICT:
MATURA Action Corporation, Creston, IA (Adair, Madison, Adams, Union, Taylor, and Ringgold) Jerry Smith, Executive Director
Mid-Iowa Community Action, Marshalltown, IA (Hardin, Story, Marshall, Tama, Poweshiek) Arlene McAtee, Executive Director
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North Iowa Community Action Organization, Mason City, IA (Butler, Cerro Gordo, Floyd, Franklin, Hancock, Kosciusko, Mitchell, Winnebago, and Worth) Richard Goerdt, Executive Director
Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation, Decorah, IA (Allamakee, Bremer, Chickasaw, Clayton, Fayette, Howard, and Winneshek) Mary Ann Humpal, Executive Director
Red Rock Area Community Action Program, Indianola, IA (Boone, Polk, Jasper, Warren, and Marion) Bill Peppmeier, Executive Director
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- CSBG Funds Support CAAs' work to:**
- Collaborate with local leaders on changing conditions that cause poverty;
 - Mobilize resources and coordinate funding to deliver integrated services to the community;
 - Innovate, by creating pilot programs and nurturing the early stages of new public-private partnerships;
 - Manage neighborhood outreach centers in easily accessible locations that serve low-wage workers and their families;
 - Respond rapidly with adaptive solutions to family or community crises;
 - Document results through a unique national measurement system;
 - Leverage community resources through civic and faith based groups.

EFFECTS OF A SIGNIFICANT CUT IN CSBG:

Northeast Iowa will have to close the 8 Family Service Offices that provided services to 14,910 individuals over 4,000 rural square miles in 2010. Food pantries hours will be reduced from every day of the week to one half day each week.

Without CSBG support, MATURA Action Corporation would most likely close, leaving an area with high poverty rates and unemployment without the self-sufficiency support of six local neighborhood centers. This would mean a loss of almost \$100,000 in local in-kind contributions and numerous food and clothing pantries would close.

New Opportunities, Inc. will close seven Family Development Centers across the area that served over 12,000 individuals last year. The distribution of 2,700 Share Iowa food packages and 990 Emergency Food Boxes would be eliminated.

Mid-Iowa currently generates \$.75 locally for every CSBG dollar it puts toward an innovative early literacy development, parent engagement and involvement and extended academic learning program.

Red Rock Community Action Program would close its doors to the more than 21,000 individuals it served last year. 1,252 families would not receive emergency food assistance and 198 families would not receive homeless prevention assistance. 6,805 families will have to travel many miles to another county to apply for LIHEAP assistance.

OHIO 14th DISTRICT

The Honorable Steven LaTourette

- HOW YOUR COMMUNITIES WERE SERVED IN 2010:**
- 2,005 households were assisted in claiming tax refunds which reinvested \$1,498,000 into the community.
 - 2,020 low-income families and individuals received a food basket for the 2010 holiday season.
 - Lifeline's Health Services Program helped 870 county households with medical necessities.
 - In Cuyahoga County, 357 people completed training in resume preparation, interview skills and using the Internet to search for a job. 151 people completed training in keyboarding, computer skills and customer service to aid them on the job.
 - 975 families in Cuyahoga County received assistance with rent and mortgage payments.
 - CEOGC provided 2,302 trips to doctors and other locations not accessible by public transportation and 563 bus passes were distributed to job seekers.
 - In the Cleveland area 51 parents completed parenting workshops and the mothers of 44 newborns enrolled in nutrition programs. 11 youth transitioned from foster care to fully-furnished apartments. 98 parents were reunited with their children after receiving financial assistance for housing.
 - CAC of Portage Co provided nearly 39,000 meals to low-income youths.
 - Community Technology Learning Center of Portage County provides technology training and certification-based training as well as job placement to low-income services

- INNOVATIVE PROGRAM FUNDED BY CSBG**
- CHILD ASSAULT PREVENTION PROGRAM (CAP)**
 CAP is a school-based program that uses role playing workshops to educate preschoolers, 1st, 3rd and 5th grade children on how to reduce their vulnerability to abuse and neglect. CAP utilizes a personal safety curriculum based on the belief that all children have the right to be "Safe, Strong and Free." The CAP curriculum has been independently evaluated in nationally published studies and is recognized as one of the most effective school-based child abuse prevention programs available. Children participate in role playing and discussions that empower them to recognize abusive or dangerous situations resist abuse and tell a trusted adult if they have been abused.
- Empowering and Educating Children of Their Right to Say "No!"**
 The CAP team provides the children with age appropriate role playing scenarios during the classroom workshops. The role playing teaches the children to recognize the strategies to use to be safe through education and awareness. Most importantly, it teaches the children that it is okay to tell someone.
- 3,450 children participated in elementary school workshops
 - 1,018 children participated in pre-school workshops
 - 661 teacher/staff participated in in-service trainings
 - 765 parents participated in in-service meetings
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 - 10 pre-schools served
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A Closer Look At The Budget Block

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Need budget breakdown:

CSBG, other Federal, State, local, private, in-kind, and other

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Agency Information

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- Office Location
- Counties Served
- Executive Director

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Life Without CSBG - Damage Report

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Information Gathering

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Funding (non-ARRA)							
	# of Families		# of Individuals				
People Served							
	# of CAA Employees		# of Volunteer Hours				
Board of Directors Listing Included?	Yes	No					
			Relationship to Congressperson				
Director's Name							

Significant Partnerships

Other Information

- Success stories
- Examples of significant partnerships
- Board of Directors listing
 - ▣ Please note any relationships with Congressperson
- Examples of where your Congressperson has been supportive of CAA. (icebreaker)
- Position of your delegation on spending
- Any problems we should know about your CAP