

Organizational History



Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency is a private, not-for-profit organization incorporated in 1965 through the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 to fight the war against poverty locally. CSCAA has grown significantly over the last 49 years and currently employs over 125 people.

The mission of the Agency is to respectfully assist people to achieve and sustain self-sufficiency through direct services, education and community partnerships.

The Agency has gained a positive reputation throughout the community for advocating for the rights of economically challenged families and individuals and changing society's stereotypes regarding poverty.

CSCAA currently administers over a dozen programs including Healthy Families, Emergency Services, Homeless Intervention, Head Start/Early Head Start, Domestic Violence Services, Food Pantry, Weatherization, and Supportive Housing for Young Adults.



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CAYUGA/SENECA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY, INC.



PROGRAM YEAR HIGHLIGHTS 10/1/12 - 9/30/13



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2012 - 2013 Program Highlights



Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency, Inc. employs over 125 individuals and administers a \$6.8 million dollar annual budget. Funding sources include Federal/State dollars (84.44%), County (0.15%), School Districts (3.78%), Program Fees (8.41%), Donations (1.86%), Fundraising (0.43%), and Other (0.93%).

These dollars are used to support Head Start/Early Head Start/UPK (52.2%), Energy Services (15.0%), Family Development/Seneca Programs (9.0%), Healthy Families (5.6%), and Domestic Violence Services (3.4%). Funds are also used to support General/Administrative expenses (12.8%) and Fundraising (0.2%).

AGENCYWIDE NUMBERS

- 584 volunteers donated 9,616 hours to the Agency.
- Agency staff completed 6,239 hours of training.
- 90 community partnerships were forged to strengthen Agency initiatives .

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT/ SENECA PROGRAMS

- 3,214 emergency food baskets were distributed.
- 5,176 units of free clothing were provided.
- 201 families received car seats and installation training.

- 191 individuals received rent, security deposit and/or mortgage assistance.
- 220 individuals were provided case management.
- 249 individuals received emergency utility assistance.
- 66 individuals obtained safe, affordable housing.
- 17 individuals received medical/prescription assistance.
- 14 individuals received emergency shelter.

HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START

- 172 children in the Head Start program were developmentally ready for Kindergarten.
- 91 Early Head Start participants received high quality child and family development services.
- 394 infants and children received age-appropriate immunizations, medical and dental care
- 100% of Early Head Start and 93% of Head Start enrolled children were living in poverty.
- 14% of Early Head Start and 16% of Head Start enrolled children were diagnosed with a disability and received related services.
- A healthy breakfast, lunch, and snack were provided daily.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

- Assisted victims of domestic violence and their children to attain lives free of violence.
- Provided 1,700 bed nights of emergency shelter to 35 families including 29 children.
- Responded to 373 Hotline calls.
- Followed up on 208 Domestic Incident Reports.
- Provided non-residential services (safety planning, advocacy, transportation, etc.) to

161 individuals.

ENERGY SERVICES

- Energy conservation measures were installed in 115 homes, which will result in reduced annual energy costs.
- 22 households received emergency repair and/or replacement of their heating systems during the last heating season.
- For every \$1.00 invested in the program, Weatherization returns \$2.51 to the household and to the community.
- Low-income individuals and families typically spend 14.4% or more of their annual income on energy while other households spend only 3.3%.

HEALTHY FAMILIES CAYUGA/SENECA

- Offers long-term intensive home visiting services for new and expectant parents.
- 100% of Healthy Families Cayuga/Seneca target children have at least 5 well baby visits by 15 months of age.
- 100% of target children were assessed for the risk of lead in their environment according to the NYS Health Department's suggested schedule.
- 100% of target children were up to date on immunizations as of their first birthday.
- 94% of participant parents were enrolled in an education program, job training or job placement program or obtained employment by the target child's first birthday.
- During the last program year, Healthy Families staff conducted 2,235 home visits.