"Your vision will become clear only when you can look into your own heart. Who looks outside, dreams; who looks inside, awakes."

- Carl Jung

Who We Are

Community Action, Inc., is a local, private, non-profit organization. We are part of America’s poverty fighting network.

Community Action Agencies are private non-profit or public organizations that were initially created in 1964 by the federal government, through partnerships with local communities, to combat poverty in geographically designated areas.

Today, status as a “Community Action Agency” is the result of an explicit designation by local or state government. There are over 1,000 Community Action Agencies nationwide. Our organization, Community Action, Inc., provides poverty-fighting services in 26 Kansas counties.
### how we are funded

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Total: $3,492,532

### what we fund

- **Community Services, Youth & Family Development**: $806,031
- **Early Childhood Development**: $1,231,082
- **Home Services, Affordable & Supportive Housing**: $207,619
- **Combined Other Expenses**: $3,209,022

“Chase the vision, not the money; the money will end up following you.”
- Tony Hsieh
Elderly Services
Our Elderly Services program provides supports that help senior adults maintain their personal independence and health. We primarily target lower-income adults, 60 years of age and older.

191 seniors were able to retain safe & independent living

Income Tax Prep
Each year, between February and April, certified AARP volunteers and Community Action staff members provide hundreds of Topeka and Shawnee County residents with annual income tax preparation assistance.

566 Taxes Prepared

Latino Family Development
Hundreds of families are helped each year to navigate the maze of educational, legal, and immigration paperwork. We also teach English Language Learner classes.

50 students improved their English language capacities

Homeless Prevention
Our interventions with rent, deposit, and utility assistance help homeless families, and those facing eviction, retain affordable, safe housing.

125 Homeless Prevention services provided

Community Action Homes
Community Action’s Rental Housing Program provides quality, safe and affordable housing to low-income families.

We serve several locations in the state of Kansas:
- McKinley Apartments, Clay Center, KS
- Swingle House Apartments, Lenordville, KS
- Meriden Heights, Meriden, KS
- Community Action Homes, Topeka, KS
- Tanglewood Supportive Housing, Topeka, KS

"Thank you very much! Weatherization is an obvious use of government resources to clearly help an American in need. A good use of tax money."

Weatherization
Community Action’s Weatherization Assistance Program uses cutting edge technology and professional installers to improve the safety and energy efficiency of homes occupied by low-income families.

125 homes made safer & more energy efficient
The First Tee of Shawnee County

We are a proud chapter of The First Tee national initiative using the game of golf to instill youth with positive life values. The program is open to Shawnee County kids, ages 7 – 18. Options include after school, summer, and private clinics. Our curricula is also taught in Phys Ed classes at 12 area elementary schools.

Head Start & Early Head Start

We offer a wide variety of full-day and part-day program options where children can experience quality pre-school learning and socialization, and receive important health and nutritional services. Families benefit from no-cost, quality care, more confident parenting, and attention to meeting the needs of both the child and overall family.

"Wanted to say Thank You for having this community event. Since my husband has been ill this past year. Having school supplies for our children is truly a blessing. Thank You & God Bless." - Barbie Tuckel-Wolford

Healthy Hearts Food Program

We partner with in-home child care providers to strengthen their businesses and improve the health and nutrition of children in their care. Licensed providers receive help paying for nutritious meals and snacks served each day to the children in their care.

Safe Seats Program

Community Action and Safe Kids provide free and low-cost car seats for infants and toddlers. Our trained safety technicians help with proper installation and parents learn tips and tricks to keep their little ones safe inside vehicles.
LOW-INCOME REPRESENTATIVES
Greg DeBacker – North Topeka
Pamela Coller – East Topeka
Jerry Loney – West Topeka
Jack Alexander – South Topeka
Jessica Wederski – Topeka At Large
Frances Lee – Topeka At Large
Derek Harrison – Shawnee County At Large
Kayla Moore – Shawnee County At Large
Martin Graham – Shawnee County At Large
Ruth McCurry – McPherson County At Large
Tammy Wallin – Wabaunsee County At Large

PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES
Joe Hoytal – KS Banker’s Association
Mary Thomas – Topeka/Shawnee County Community Resources Council
Jim Kenyon – AFL-CIO Topeka Federation of Labor
TBA – Topeka Chamber of Commerce
Teresa Douthart – Valeo Behavioral Health Care
Kathy Johnson – Community Action Head Start
Policy Council

Dr. Harriett Johnson – Topeka Chapter of LINKS
Angela Valdivia – Mana de Topeka
Mike Ballard – Shawnee County Allied Tribes
John Christensen – Interfaith of Topeka
Katrina McGivern – Kansas Association for the Medically Underserved

PUBLIC SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES
Lalo Munoz – City of Topeka, Representing Mayor
Larry Wolgast
Lisa Stubbs – City of Topeka
Councilwoman Sylvia Ortiz – City of Topeka
Oliver Green – City of Topeka
Councilwoman Sandra Clear – City of Topeka
Neva Martin – Shawnee County, Representing Commissioner Kevin Cook
Linda Jeffrey – Shawnee County, Representing Commissioner Michelle Buhler
Lynn Gentine – Shawnee County, Representing Commissioner Bob Archer
Lawrence Wilson – Shawnee County At Large
Mary Stauffer – Geary County At Large
VACANT – Dickinson County At Large

Our Governing Board serves as the voice of the people in North Central and Northeast Kansas. The 33-member, volunteer group includes publicly elected officials, private sector interests, and people democratically selected by low-income people in our service area.

Note: Members listed are current as of 10/01/2015.

COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP
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