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From the Rhode Island FFY 2019 Community Services Block Grant Annual Report

WHO WE SERVE...

For FFY 2019:

There were 7 CAAs, serving 177,476 people with low incomes who were living in 82,989 families.

CAAs served 14,271 people who lacked healthcare, 14,977 people who reported having a disability, 19,201 senior citizens, 53,344 children living in poverty, and 858 veterans.

WHAT IS CSBG?

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides critical funding to Community Action Agencies (CAAs) to operate programs addressing the causes and conditions of poverty under three national goals:

Goal 1 - Individuals and families with low incomes are stable and achieve economic security.
Goal 2 - Communities where people with low incomes live are healthy and offer economic opportunity.
Goal 3 - People with low incomes are engaged and active in building opportunities in communities.

What kind of RESOURCES do CAAs have?

Rhode Island Community Action Agencies are centrally located to serve their communities. For maximum impact, they partnered with:

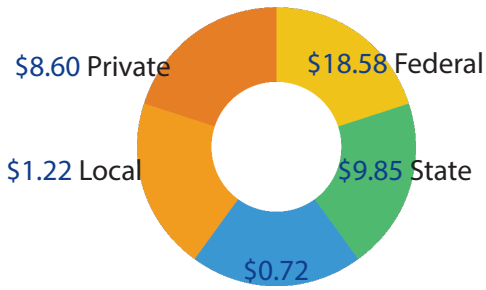
- 474 non-profits
- 325 for-profits
- 65 faith based organizations
- 51 school districts

Community Action Agencies utilize a Results Oriented Management and Accountability system that is strategically designed to ensure accountability and improve performance management. In FY19 there were 3 ROMA professionals available in the network to help agencies with planning, reporting, data analysis and evaluation.

There were 358,525 hours of volunteer time donated to CAAs in Rhode Island.

Community Action Agencies leverage several other federal, state, local and other private funds.

For every $1 of CSBG, Rhode Island's CAAs leveraged $38.99 from federal, state, local and private sources, including the value of volunteer hours .



Value of Volunteer Hours

- $3,589,429 in CSBG funds were allocated in support of CAAs in Rhode Island in FY19.
- Including, all leveraged funds Rhode Island had $140,926,968 available to the CAA network to improve the lives of people with low incomes in FY19.

6 CAAs in Rhode Island also operate the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

4 CAAs in Rhode Island also operate the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP).

3 CAAs in Rhode Island also operate a Head Start Program.

*Value of Volunteer Hours calculated using federal minimum wage, except in those states with a higher minimum wage.
** Values may not equal total due to rounding

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Community Action Agencies utilize CSBG funds to address specific local needs through services and programs that address one or more of the core domains in which we work: employment, education and cognitive development, income, infrastructure and asset building, housing, health and social behavioral development, and civic engagement and community involvement.

EMPLOYMENT

3,199 outcomes were obtained in the employment domain. This includes outcomes such as obtaining and maintaining a job, increasing income, and obtaining benefits.

EDUCATION

4,243 outcomes were obtained in the education and cognitive development domain. This includes outcomes such as improved literacy skills, school readiness, and obtaining additional education and diplomas.

HOUSING

10,472 outcomes were obtained in the housing domain. This includes outcomes such as obtaining and maintaining housing, avoiding eviction or foreclosure, and reducing energy burden.

INCOME

32,262 outcomes were obtained in the income and asset building domain. This includes outcomes such as maintaining a budget, opening a savings account, increasing assets and net worth, and improving financial well-being.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

358 outcomes were obtained in the civic engagement and community involvement domain. This includes outcomes such as increasing leadership skills, and improving social networks.

HEALTH

13,351 outcomes were obtained in the health and social/behavioral development domain. This includes outcomes such as increasing nutrition skills, improving physical or mental health, and living independently.

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