

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY provides direct services and administers partnerships that reduce poverty and promote low-income families' self-sufficiency. Community Action funding comes from federal and state grants and County government. Contracts monitored by Community Action receive funding from the federal Administration of Children & Families, Office of Head Start, HHS; the Maryland State Department of Education; and the Montgomery County Executive and County Council Community Grants programs.



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THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD (CAB), the County's federally designated antipoverty group, advises the County about poverty and the needs of low-income people. CAB provides oversight for the agency's federal grants and of the agency's services.

Takoma - East Silver Spring Center (TESS)
8513 Piney Branch Road
Silver Spring, Maryland 20901
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Services & Community Partners

If you need additional help, call



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.

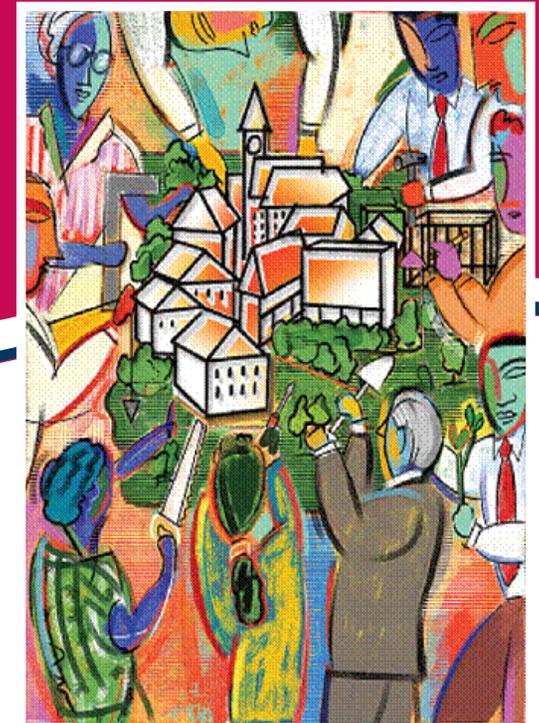
We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.



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The Montgomery County Community Action Agency seeks to reduce poverty and improve the self-sufficiency of low-income residents.

Community Action manages \$5 million in federal and state Head Start and Community Services Block Grant funding. We provide comprehensive **early childhood services** through Head Start, deliver **social services** at the Takoma-East Silver Spring Center (TESS), and increase **asset development** through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) partnership. Throughout the County, nonprofits with contracts monitored by Community Action staff – totaling \$3 million – **deliver emergency food, clothing, and social services; legal assistance; employment training; and education and facilitate community engagement** among Montgomery County's diverse low-income community members, including residents with Limited English Proficiency.

At A Glance

Last year, Community Action assisted low-income County residents directly by providing:

- ◆ 8,800 clients with social services at TESS
- ◆ 2,000 families with free tax help (VITA)
- ◆ 648 children and their families with comprehensive Head Start services

Highlights of Community Action's contracts include:

- ◆ 78,180 weekend food sacks for children at 38 schools
- ◆ Pro bono legal assistance for 1,728 cases
- ◆ 12,001 residents provided access to social services and health care
- ◆ 1,401 residents received health information
- ◆ 224 adult new immigrants received employment counseling

FY2016 Partners

Emergency Services – Clothes

- ◆ C-4 Clothes Closet
- ◆ Interfaith Works Clothing Closet

Emergency Services – Utilities/Rent

- ◆ East Montgomery Emergency Assistance Network (EMEAN)
- ◆ Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Washington

Emergency Services – Food

- ◆ Caribbean Help Center
- ◆ Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Washington
- ◆ Crossroads Community Food Network
- ◆ Kids In Need Distribution
- ◆ Manna Food Center
- ◆ Mid-Atlantic Gleaning Network
- ◆ Women Who Care Ministries

Employment and Training/Support

- ◆ CASA de Maryland
- ◆ Korean Community Services Center of Greater Washington
- ◆ Spanish Catholic Center

Community Engagement and Outreach

- ◆ A Wider Circle
- ◆ Circle of Rights
- ◆ Community Health & Empowerment Through Education and Research (CHEER)
- ◆ IMPACT Silver Spring
- ◆ MoverMoms

Agency Development

- ◆ The Nonprofit Village Center

Economic Enhancement

- ◆ Community Action "VITA" Partnership (free tax help)

Social Services and Referrals

- ◆ Caribbean Help Center
- ◆ CASA de Maryland
- ◆ Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Washington
- ◆ Community Ministries of Rockville
- ◆ Family Services, Inc.
- ◆ International Rescue Committee
- ◆ Korean Association of the State of Maryland Metropolitan Area
- ◆ Korean Community Services Center of Greater Washington
- ◆ Spanish Catholic Center
- ◆ World Organization for Resource Development & Education (WORDE)

Early Childhood Education, Youth Development and Academic Support

- ◆ Head Start – in partnership with DHHS, MCPS and Montgomery College
- ◆ Community Ministries of Rockville
- ◆ YMCA of Silver Spring

Legal Services

- ◆ Montgomery County Maryland Bar Foundation

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Changing lives.*