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COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY OF DELAWARE COUNTY, INC.

Community Action NEWS

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EMERGENCY MOTEL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

As part of the Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc.'s (CAADC) ongoing strategic planning process, the Board of Directors of CAADC have concluded that it is no longer practical for the Agency to continue administration of the County-wide Emergency Motel Program, effective July 1, 2024.

We have notified the County Department of Human Services and its Office of Adult Services of this decision. The Department of Human Services will temporarily assume responsibility for administration of the Emergency Motel Program.

Referrals can be made to Ms. Linda Loughin at (610) 713-2365.

We have valued the opportunity of working with this program and all of our partners over the past four and a half decades and will assist in whatever way we can with the transition.

DID YOU KNOW?



CAADC administers the Weatherization Assistance Program in Delaware, Lebanon, Lancaster, Montgomery and Chester Counties.



Our Delaware County Construction Company generates revenue which supports our social services activities.



CAADC partners with PECO, AQUA and DELCORA for our Utility Assistance Programs.



CAADC provides food assistance through a variety of programs.



Over 50 families have purchased a house through our Home Ownership Programs.

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The Second Baptist Church in Media provided ACME gift cards to the Wesley House Shelter. They also provide food donations on a weekly basis.



Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. **Has Many Employment Opportunities**

“CAADC is a Great Place to Work!”

Join our team of passionate, talented people who want to make an impact on lives!

CAADC currently has the following positions open:

Case Manager Generalist (FT)

Case Manager—Veterans Program (FT)

Shelter Manager (FT)

Stability Case Manager—Opioids Program (PT)

Job Developer—Work Ready (FT)

Front Desk Receptionist—Shelter (FT)

Custodial Maintenance Technician—Weatherization (FT)

**Please contact our
Human Resources Department
if you are interested
or have questions!**

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CAADC routinely
holds Job Fairs that
attract many
potential applicants
and results in
job offerings
on the spot.
We look forward to
hearing from you!



Community Needs Assessment

CAADC is conducting a Community Needs Assessment to identify community priorities and needed resources. CAADC will utilize the results for its five-year Strategic Plan that will take us to our 50th year in 2029.

We are hoping you can take some time to help us out. The Needs Assessment is a short survey that only takes about 5 – 7 minutes to complete. All responses are anonymous.

To complete a survey please utilize the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y2Z2TYM>

Or you can go to our website at www.caadc.org and click on the Community Needs Assessment Survey on the main page of our website under the “What’s New at CAADC” section.



CAADC Staff attended the Fatherhood Summit on June 22nd at Harrah’s Casino.

Pictured are CAADC Staff Members Clarence Jones (left) and Latanya Kennedy (right) along with Mayor Stefan Roots (center) of the City of Chester.



Children attending CAADC’s Summer Extension Program had fun learning and playing with robots that they built and helped to code.

WSFS Bank Volunteers at Senior Housing Site

On June 12th, employees from WSFS Bank volunteered at CAADC's Darby Court housing site. Darby Court Apartments, located on Main Street in Darby, provides affordable housing in 27-units to senior citizens. WSFS Banks closed early as part of their "We Stand For Service Day" to allow staff to volunteer at local non-profits. Staff helped to clean and spruce up Darby Court Apartments for the senior residents.



Recent Development Activity

CAADC has been fortunate to receive the following private contributions from the community during the last quarter: **WSFS Bank** donated \$30,000 to support renovations for our anti-obesity initiatives. CAADC received \$540 from the **First Presbyterian Church of Springfield** to support the Life Center. CAADC received \$500 from the **Charities Aid Foundation of America**. **Delco SHRM** supported the Agency with a donation of \$250. **The Foundation for Delaware County** provided a grant of \$5,000 to provide food assistance. CAADC received \$1,650 from **Congregation Ohev Shalom** for the Summer Extension Program. **The Independence Foundation** provided a grant of \$5,000 to support our efforts to provide housing assistance. *CAADC can also be supported by designating Agency Code #06194 on the UW of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey forms.*

CAADC Partners with Boscov's

CAADC is participating once again in the Friends Helping Friends event at the Boscov's at the Promenade at Granite Run on Tuesday, October 22. Shopping Passes are available for \$5 (all of which benefits the Agency). Each Shopping Pass gives you 25% off your entire purchase (some items are only 10-15% and some are excluded). It is a great way to get an early start on holiday shopping.

Please contact Daniel Nesbitt at (610) 833-4454 or dnesbitt@caadc.org if you would like to purchase a ticket.

You need to get your ticket ahead of time in order to support Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc..

The WaWa in Boothwyn provided hoagies and drinks to all the residents of our Wesley House Shelter on June 10th as part of their Hoagiefest celebration

Pictured are Kelsey (left) and Dena (right) from WaWa and Sheiletta Corporal (center), Shelter Director.



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CAADC Making Homes Safer with Lead Paint Hazard Control Program

Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. (CAADC) is now accepting applications for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program. In this program, qualifying families who have a child age 5 or under may qualify for new windows and other repairs to help remediate lead paint hazards. Income eligibility guidelines do apply. Once an application is received, CAADC staff meets with the applicant to explain the program in detail and to discuss the hazard of lead-based paint in the home. Next, a lead audit is performed by a licensed firm. A report is prepared showing where lead paint exists in the home. CAADC then prepares a Scope of Work detailing the steps that will be taken to remove or reduce the lead to acceptable levels. This may include replacing doors and windows, installing new drywall, replacing trim and moldings, etc. When the renovations are complete, another lead audit is performed to be sure that all lead has been removed or reduced to acceptable levels. A copy of the final report along with educational materials related to lead hazards is then given to the family. All of the services are free if the family is determined eligible.



Edward T. Coleman, CAADC CEO urges, "This program can make your home safer and keep your children healthy."

For more information or to receive an application, call (610) 833-4453. This program is funded by the Delaware County Office of Housing and Community Development and Lawrence County Community Action Partnership.

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Volunteer Income Tax Assistance	218
Transportation Assistance	71
Life Center Meal Program	3,460
Food Support	970
SNAP Outreach Project	84
Workforce Ready Program	87
Clinical Medical Assistance Program	17
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Total Units of Service	15,236