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Community Action Impact Story

Community Assistance Network Serves Record Numbers!



From March 2020 through November 2021, CAN's Food Pantry served over 10,000 people with enough food for over 800,000 meals! Their Shelters remained operational, and they were able to place 75% of their residents in permanent housing. CAN's Community Resource Specialists are now dealing with the long-predicted tsunami of Baltimore County residents facing eviction. In the 3 months of September, October, and November alone CAN assisted 186 families with just under \$1 million in funds for eviction prevention. In a typical year CAN assists 150-200 people!

In June 2021 CAN began their Food Pantry and Office Renovation/Expansion Project and they are now in the second phase. Through this renovation, CAN will be providing the community with a new "Customer Choice" food pantry (think small grocery store). Visit CAN to learn more at their [website](#) or on [Facebook](#)!

Agency Spotlight: Montgomery County Community Action Agency

TESS 'Seniors Social' Group Celebrates The Season

Activities for the Seniors Social program hosted by the [Takoma-East Silver Spring \(TESS\) Community Action Center](#) have been greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Prior to COVID-19, twenty or more seniors used to meet monthly at TESS for lunch, socializing, and learning about community resources and connections. In-person gatherings have since been focused on essentials, such as distributing food in the parking lot outside TESS. At the same time, the Long Branch Recreation Center is sheltering County residents who are experiencing homelessness during the pandemic. However, with partnerships and creativity, two recent in-person gatherings--a Thanksgiving lunch and a Holiday social--have given these seniors a lot to celebrate. Over twenty seniors participated in each event. To learn more about the TESS Seniors Social Group, read the full article by [clicking here](#).



MCAP News & Events

MCAP Communications Toolkit Launch Webinar

Please join us for the virtual launch of the MCAP Communications Toolkit and the first 2022 MCAP Advocacy Prep Webinar on **Wednesday, 1/19 at 1pm**.

This webinar will be presented by the **Hatcher Group Communications Firm** and will cover

- the MCAP Communications Toolkit,
- unified messaging for Agencies,
- media relations,
- an "Ask the Experts" Q&A session,
- and more!

Please [Click Here](#) to Register.



DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Join Us in Ocean City: May 11-13, 2022!

SAVE THE DATE



2022 MCAP COMMUNITY ACTION CONFERENCE MAY 11-13, 2022

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6600 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland, 21842
Phone: 410-524-1600

Network News

January is Poverty Awareness Month

For almost 60 years Community Action Agencies have been fighting to eliminate poverty in America.

[Click Here](#) to learn about some of the latest efforts around our network in helping communities recover from the pandemic.

READINESS
RAPID RESPONSE
RECOVERY
RESILIENCE



HOW THE COMMUNITY
ACTION NETWORK IS
RESPONDING TO COVID-19

#MLTC22

Join NCAP February 2-4 for the 2022 Management and Leadership Training Conference (MLTC)!

The content for this virtual conference is crafted specifically for emerging and current leaders at Community Action Agencies. The 2022 MLTC will feature a variety of training workshops, structured roundtable discussions, dynamic speakers, and virtual networking opportunities. Whether you've been leading and managing for years, or you're looking forward to that promotion into management, you'll become your best with our Management and

Leadership Training Conference. [Click here](#) to view the Preliminary At-A-Glance.

Pre-conference: We will be hosting two **Virtual Racial Healing Circles** on **Tuesday, February 1**. All registered MLTC attendees are welcome to participate although preference may be given to those who have never participated in a Racial Healing Circle.

[Click here](#) to register and learn more.

Tips & Tools

From NCAP: Whole Family Design Approach Briefs



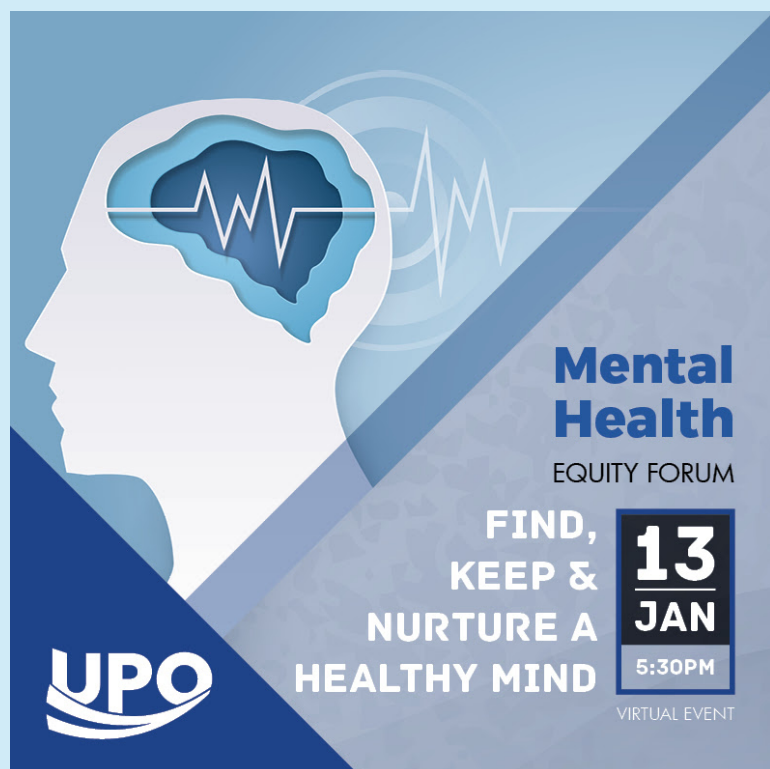
These briefs are blueprint fact sheets showcasing the accomplishments in implementing a whole family approach at seven Community Action Agencies. Each brief details the agency, its area demographics, its whole family approach with a highlight of the program's innovation story, successes, a profile of a program participant, challenges, wisdom (lessons learned), the program's building block focus, and a timeline for implementation. [Click here](#) to access the briefs.

Webinars

Learning Communities Resource Center 2022 Kickoff Webinar

Wednesday, January 12th at 2 PM ET

Join the National Partnership team to learn more about how to get involved with the Learning Communities Resource Center (LCRC) as we launch the next cycle of sharing and learning opportunities for the Community Action CSBG Network. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.



UPO's Mental Health Equity Forum

Thursday, January 13th at 5:30 PM

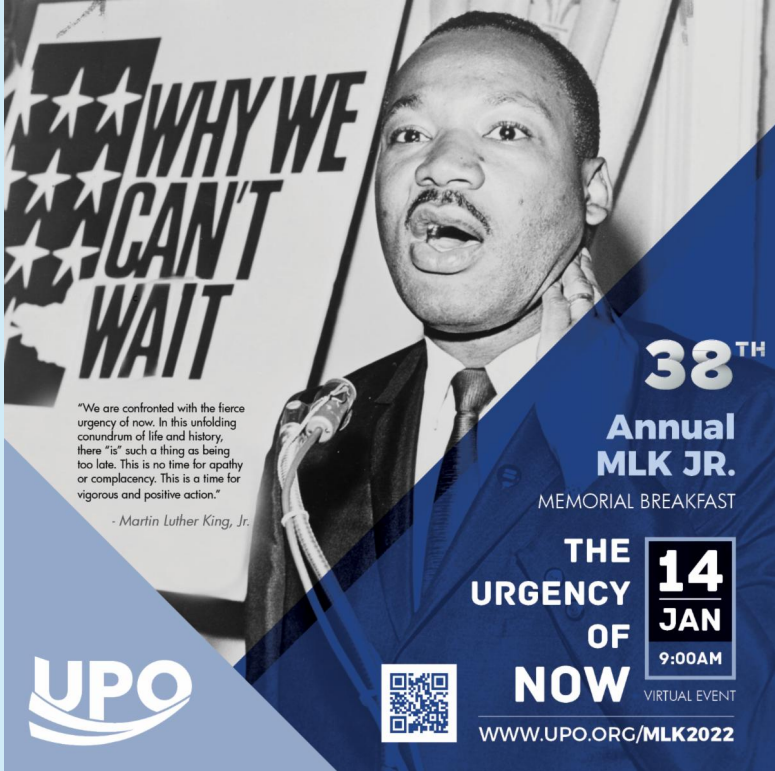
[UPO](#) is committed to improving the lives of the District's residents. One way is to bring together thought leaders to address major concerns.

Among the most important is inequity in Mental Health, a problem that has grown during the pandemic. Addressing this crisis is vital to achieving UPO's vision: A city of thriving communities and self-sufficient residents. [Click here](#) to view speaker information and to register. Please register by Monday, January 10th.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast

Friday, January 14th at 9 AM

Join [UPO](#) and Keynote Speaker Congressman James Clyburn for an inspiring event that changes lives. The Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast is UPO's fundraiser for the Joseph A. Beavers Scholarships and other UPO programs. UPO will be awarding 10 outstanding, community-minded DC students, from families with low incomes, with **\$10,000 scholarships** to make their college dreams come true. [Click here](#) to learn more and to buy your tickets for this virtual event.



Current Job Openings

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Click on Agency Name for additional information and job opportunities

Job Title

Agency

[Multiple Positions](#)

Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission

[Multiple Positions](#)

Baltimore City Community Action Partnership

[Multiple Positions](#)

Community Action Council of Howard County

[Multiple Positions](#)

Community Assistance Network

[Multiple Positions](#)

Delmarva Community Services

[Multiple Positions](#)

Garrett County Community Action

[Multiple Positions](#)

Maryland Rural Development Corporation

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Shore Up!

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Southern Maryland Tri-County Community Action Committee

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