

Northwestern Ohio
COMMUNITY ACTION
Commission

2022 Annual Report



Helping People, Changing Lives.

STAFF + LEADERSHIP

A Message from our Board President

We thought 2021 was a tough year, but 2022 seemed to be just as hard to get through. Although once again I saw NOCAC staff reach levels of service that I never could have imagined. The pandemic has changed our way of life, inflicted dire consequences in our community and has challenged us in so many ways. It also has caused us to plan better, think clearer and act faster. I am reminded that despite the constant obstacles, our communities have pulled together to get through. Our team has worked with thousands of households to help them overcome barriers. All in all we have had a busy year, navigating challenges, being resilient and maintaining a level of efficacy for the betterment of the community. I do not have enough words to express my gratitude to all the staff and administration that have worked diligently to improve our services and positively impact our communities. I appreciate your ongoing support as we continue to serve people and families in the community to the best of our ability.

Sincerely,
Tiffany Goings-NOCAC Board President



Executive Director, Angie Franklin
Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur
Board President, Tiffany Goings

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Executive Director



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Finance Director



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Human Resource Director



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Child Development Director



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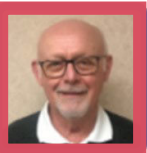
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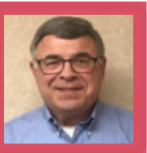
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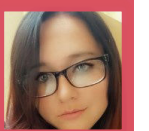
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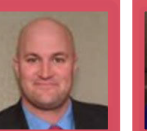
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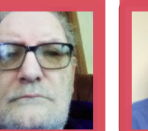
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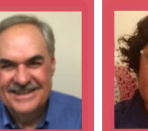
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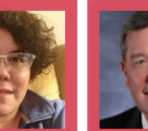
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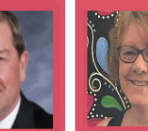
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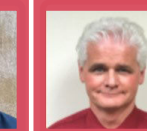
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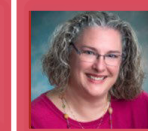
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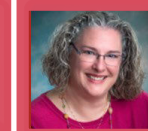
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HUMAN RESOURCES

Commitment to Our Workforce

The Human Resource Department is committed to attracting and retaining a talented and diverse workforce that fosters a healthy, safe, and productive work environment that focuses on the agency mission. It's important to NOCAC that all team members have a clear picture of the mission and are motivated about the work they do in order to provide the best possible service to the consumers we serve.

# of NOCAC Team Members	143
Administration	7
Community Services/FOC	18
Head Start/EHS/ECE	91
Homeless Programs	11
Housing & Energy Services	11
Publicly Funded Child Care	5



353 Employment Applications



49 Positions



46 New Staff Members

% of Employees	Years of Experience
65%	<5 years
9%	6-10 years
4%	11 -15 years
7%	16 - 20 years
15%	20 years

Staff Education Levels

High School 25

Job Specific Certifications 17

CDA 16

Associates Degree 24

Bachelors Degree 45

Masters Degree 8

The Human Resource Department assists applicants and employees during all phases of the employment process, including recruitment, interviewing, background, reference checks, selection and evaluation



*Milestone Years of Service Awards
30 Years - Angie Bilow, Center Manager
25 Years - Kelly Feeney, Housing and Energy Director
20 Years - Brianne Kiessling, Teacher*

We value our employees and offer ongoing trainings and development throughout the year. Employees participated in Spring and Fall in-service days, United Way fundraising, and monthly safety meetings. We also recognize team building and that at times, the staff need time to unwind and just have fun together!



Our Team with speaker, Jonathan Edison - It Takes Teamwork To Make The Dream Work!

FINANCIAL EXPENDITURES

Programs	2022	2021
Head Start Program	\$3,299,015	\$3,478,445
Early Head Start Program	\$241,901	\$306,730
Head Start Program COVID - CRSSA	\$61,845	\$41,688
Head Start Program COVID - American Rescue Plan	\$260,528	\$25,278
Early Childhood Education	\$280,989	\$272,402
Child & Adult Food Care Program (CACFP)	\$202,435	\$147,347
Teach Arts Ohio	\$10,800	\$9,000
Summer Food (CACFP)	\$27,279	\$57,535
United Way - Summer Food	\$19,606	\$19,437
TOTAL CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS	\$4,404,397	\$4,357,862
Child Care-Publicly Funded	\$333,751	\$343,743
BCI Checks/Training	\$30,702	\$29,817
TOTAL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS	\$364,454	\$373,560
Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG)	\$342,787	\$528,047
CSBG Cares COVID	\$380,504	\$224,364
Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)	\$1,201,654	\$1,167,045
Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP)	\$29,911	\$30,364
CRFESP Home Relief 1	\$0	\$352,675
CDBG Home Relief 2	\$98,796	\$579,699
CAA-HRG Home Relief 3	\$3,739,555	\$2,688,341
ARPA-HRG Home Relief	\$634,290	\$0
OHFA/HAF/Utility Assistance Plus	\$874,041	\$17,912
Emergency Food & Shelter Program	\$17,306	\$57,691
Housing Support - Tax Credit Projects	\$2,908	\$3,888
LISC Promedica	\$79,410	\$72,440
LISC General Motors	\$55,536	\$55,000
LISC Digital Navigation	\$14,759	\$4,741
NDIA - Digital Navigation	\$11,906	\$0
Low Income Water Asst	\$123,675	\$0
OCATO CARES Grant	\$50,000	\$0
United Way - FEP Funds/Emergency Services	\$41,017	\$46,188
Local Donations	\$4,328	\$60,217
TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$7,702,384	\$5,888,612



Past and present NOCAC employees enjoying time together.



Our Mission

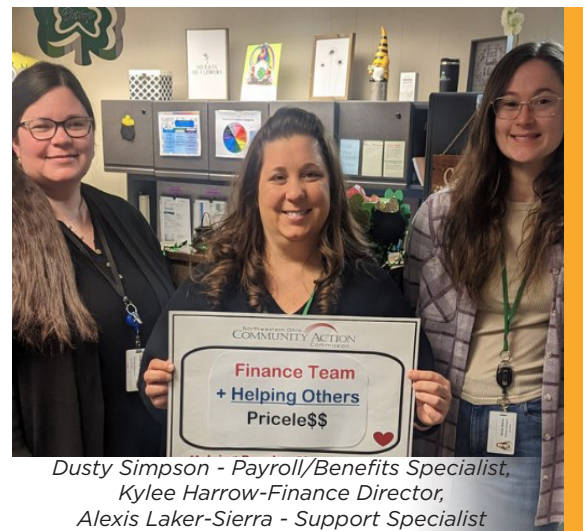
Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission is dedicated to minimizing the effects of poverty by connecting individuals to opportunities and resources that support a secure future.

The Promise of Community Action

Community Action changes 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 help each other.

Vision Statement

NOCAC envisions a culture that supports opportunities for all people to thrive; build strong, resilient neighborhoods; and ensures a more equitable community.



Dusty Simpson - Payroll/Benefits Specialist,
Kylee Harrow-Finance Director,
Alexis Laker-Sierra - Support Specialist

FINANCIAL EXPENDITURES

Programs Cont'd	2022	2021
Partnership Assistance to the Homeless (PATH)	\$108,784	\$64,928
Richland Place Single Room Occupancy Units (SRO)	\$33,466	\$40,555
COHHIO Diversion Training	\$0	\$1,474
Emergency Shelter Grant Program	\$64,525	\$27,223
Emergency Shelter Grant Program - CARES	\$167,203	\$233,412
Permanent Supportive Hsg	\$273,041	\$280,969
Supportive Housing Program	\$42,783	\$31,869
Housing Stability Rapid Re-Housing	\$202,896	\$77,282
Housing Stability Rapid Re-Housing - CARES	\$18,005	\$158,278
COHHIO TANF Housing Now	\$17,776	\$58,071
Housing Coordination Services/Diversion	\$26,475	\$12,807
Ready to Rent	\$601	\$0
Risk Mitigation	\$2,722	\$3,286
TOTAL HOMELESSNESS ASSISTANCE SERVICES	\$958,279	\$1,123,790
Home Weatherization Assistance Program	\$922,244	\$990,359
Home Weatherization Enhancement Program	\$733,792	\$215,453
Weatherization Readiness Fund	\$20,000	\$0
Housing Assistance Grant Program	\$124,418	\$110,702
Elderly Home Repair Program	\$20,166	\$25,699
Community Connections -Toledo Edison	\$158,107	\$178,651
Electric Partnership Program	\$214,861	\$165,325
OPAE-Suburban Gas	\$3,312	0
Housewarming Program	\$732	\$331
TOTAL HOUSING & ENERGY PROGRAMS	\$2,197,632	\$1,686,520
Total Corporate/Unrestricted	\$65,984	\$87,423
TOTAL NOCAC EXPENDITURES	\$15,693,129.34	\$13,517,767



Our Values

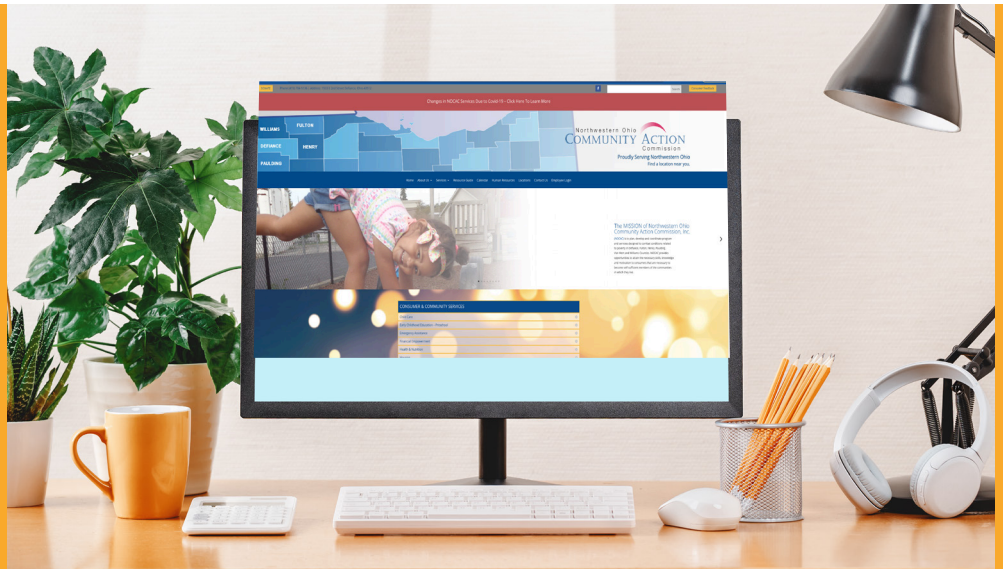
People: We believe in treating people with dignity and respect and recognize that income disparity, lack of resources, and other inequities remain barriers that must be addressed.

Commitment: We strive to be continuously responsive to the most critical needs of low-income families and individuals; empowering them to reach their full potential.

Innovation: We pledge to use creative approaches to address poverty and secure resources to build a stronger community.

Integrity: We value integrity and maintain high standards of professionalism through ethical behavior.

Online Resource
View local resources by county at nocac.org.



PUBLICLY FUNDED CHILD CARE

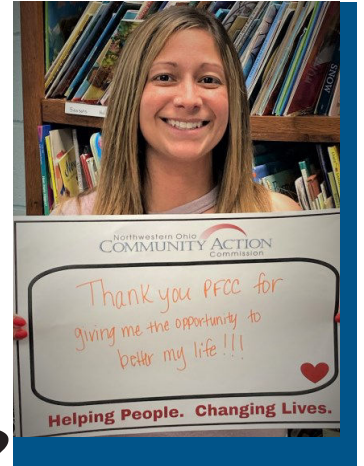
NOCAC has been involved with the Publicly Funded Child Care (PFCC) assistance program since 1987. We currently hold contracts with Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) located in Auglaize, Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Van Wert and Williams counties. These contracts allow us to administer

the program in its entirety, which includes determining client eligibility and assisting potential Family Child Care Home providers with the licensing process. The team continues to monitor these licensed homes to help maintain regulations found within Chapter's 5101:2-13 and 5101: 2-16 nt of the Ohio Administrative Code.



*Publicly Funded Child Care Team:
Front: Victoria Taquino, Bobbi Burke
Back: Lisa Arce, Diana Ysasaga, Heidi Keween, Jill Gentile*

“As a single mom, the PFCC program helped me to afford quality childcare that allowed me to use income towards grocery and utility bills. My children were surrounded by educated role models that guided my children with structure and care, treating them as if my children were their own.
-Erica Nicely”



“The PFCC program has allowed me to grow my own child care business. I was a single mom living in low income housing and now am a successful business owner, own my own home, and am able to save for my child's college tuition!
-Amanda Zachrich”



To become eligible for publicly funded child care, a family's income must be below 142% of the federal poverty level (FPL). After that, families may remain eligible unless their income becomes greater than 300% of the FPL.

Families can be eligible for all or part of their monthly child care expenses. The program serves caretakers with children ages 0 to 13.

County	# of Licensed Family Child Care Homes	# of Licensed Child Care Centers	# of families who were supported with their child care cost	# of children who who received care
Auglaize	1	12	42	76
Defiance	6	9	191	322
Fulton	7	31	121	213
Hancock	9	17	251	467
Hardin	6	11	85	183
Paulding	1	6	28	61
Van Wert	0	8	34	70
Williams	2	9	56	104

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START



Early Head Start benefits pregnant mothers and children from birth to age three. The program promotes infants' and toddlers' physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development through safe and developmentally enriching caregiving. Access to prenatal care, food programs, interactive socialization with like participants, and home teaching is provided to prepare children for healthy growth and development and prepare them for success in school and life.



Within the Head Start program, there are 72 children who receive wrap-around services in coordination with the Ohio Department of Education Early Childhood Education Program (ECE). The grant is awarded to preschool programs to provide comprehensive services that support a child's growth and learning using developmentally appropriate practices that best support school readiness.



Head Start is a program promoting the school readiness of children from three to five years of age by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development. Head Start provides a learning environment that supports children's growth in many areas such as language, literacy, and social and emotional development. The program also emphasizes the role of parents as their child's first and most important teacher and connects families to other resources that may be needed to promote child and family success.

School Readiness Goals

Approaches to Learning

Children will develop a positive approach to learning by developing strategies for self-regulating their feelings and behavior

Social and Emotional

Children will show interest in personal relationships and use basic problem-solving skills with other children and will develop friendships with peers.

Language and Literacy

Preschool Children: will increase awareness of the sounds that make up language, and show an interest in books, songs, rhymes, and stories.

Infant/Toddler: Children will be receptive to understanding language and recognize frequently used words or gestures.

Cognition

Children will develop their vocabulary and their sense of numbers, quantity, and objects in small sets.

Perceptual, Motor, and Physical Development

Children will use and demonstrate their ability to increase position, strength, coordination, and efficiency when using fine motor manipulative skills.



HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START



Enrollment	Funded Enrollment	Av. Monthly Enrollment	Total number of Children Served	Total Number of Families Served
Head Start	300	262 (87%)	357	315
Early Head Start	44	33 (75%)	87	67



Joy Hulse, Transportation Specialist

% of Eligible Children Served	Head Start	Early Head Start
Income at or below 100% federal poverty guidelines	72%	75%
Public Assistance such as TANF and SSI	10%	6%
Foster Care	3%	3%
Homeless	1%	8%
Other Eligibility	3%	3%
Income between 101% - 130%	11%	5%

Demographics	Head Start	Early Head Start
Two Parent Families	45%	55%
Single Parent Families	55%	45%
Single Parent families- Mother only	55%	45%
Single Parent families- Father only	4%	5%
Of the Total Families, the % in which the Parent/Guardian is Best Described as:		
Parent(s) Biological, adoptive, step	87%	95%
Grandparents	8%	0%
Relatives other than grandparents	2%	0%
Foster Parents	3%	4%
Other	0%	1%

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Healthy lunches and educational programs were provided at 9 sites in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams Counties. Funding was supported by local United Ways, Ohio JFS and ODE.

1,349 Children Served

5,863 Lunches Served

425 Volunteers

1,506 Volunteer Hours Donated



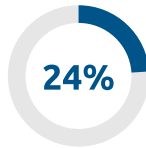
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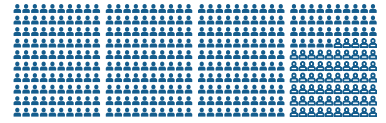
Mara and Jason Noaker pictured with their son Logan outside the Napoleon Head Start Classroom.

Parent Engagement

Parent/guardian figures are the child's first and most important teacher and they continue to be a vital part of our Head Start programs. Their involvement in the classroom, center events, Policy Council, and parent meetings enhance our efforts to provide a holistic approach to learning.



of Head Start Staff are Current or Former Head Start Parents



335 PARENT VOLUNTEERS



Sheana Behringer, Health & Safety Manager

Health Focus

Good Health is essential for learning and development. NOCAC's Head Start program assures that all enrolled children receive health and medical exams. Families are supported with follow-up care when needed.

	HEAD START	EARLY HEAD START
DENTAL EXAMS	88%	46%
HEALTH/SCREENINGS	97%	72%

Financial Report	Head Start	There's Early Head Start	Head Start Cares Funding
	Funded Budget	Expenditures	Expenditures
Personnel	\$2,584,870	\$1,892,798	\$147,472
Fringe	\$1,039,012	\$665,117	\$55,693
Travel	\$59,384	\$48,536	\$12,049
Equipment	\$-	\$-	\$-
Supplies	\$122,613	\$167,961	\$4,279
Contractual	\$63,546	\$29,171	\$2,467
Other	\$511,664	\$471,841	\$19,941
Total	\$4,381,089	\$3,275,424	\$241,901
Federal Income	\$3,540,916	\$3,275,424	\$241,901
Program Income	\$3,965	\$3,965	\$-
Total Federal Income	\$3,540,916	\$3,275,424	\$241,901
Total Inkind Contribution	\$826,403	\$743,846	\$82,557
Total	\$4,367,319	\$4,019,270	\$324,458

* HHS/COVID (CRSSA & American Rescue Plan)

	Funded Budget	Expenditures
Construction (CRSSA)	\$103,533	\$61,845
Other (ARP)	\$411,596	\$260,528
Total	\$515,129	\$322,373
Federal Income	\$515,129	\$322,373

*Additional Funding to Support Program Stability

Staff Who Support Success

"School readiness begins with health" is one of the key phrases used by the Office of Head Start and a key focus area of NOCAC's program. In addition to supporting children in receiving wellness checks and dental screenings, annual hearing and vision screenings are completed.



Kelsey Miguel Hernandez is one of the Wauseon Head Start Children who just received her glasses.

Family Advocate, Shawna Westrick is proud to help families recognize that when a child can hear and see well, it makes a world of difference in their lives. Shawna states, "I just want the kids to be successful when they leave us and go to kindergarten".

Shawna has been with NOCAC for nearly seven years and each year has helped between 12-15 children receive the sight care and glasses they need to be successful learners.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Financial Opportunity Center

The FOC model is built and managed by the national community development organization, Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC), and is currently operating in more than 100 communities across the U.S. with local community partners, such as NOCAC.

Financial Opportunity Centers pair individuals with Financial and Employment Coaches to co-create financial freedom plans. Coaches support individuals with tools and resources that allow them to navigate the complexities of increasing income, decreasing expenses, acquiring assets, and navigating career pathways.

In August 2022, the Financial Opportunity Center was chosen to be 1 of 18 awardees from the National Digital Inclusion Alliance (NDIA). With this partnership, our Digital Navigation Program was officially launched in November with the purpose of providing digital skills training, access to affordable internet, and access to appropriate devices. As a member of the National Digital Navigator Corps, we are committed to bridging the digital divide and advocating for digital equity and inclusion.



Digital Navigation and the Defiance Public Library
Joel Johnson, Digital Navigator with Renee Hopper
Adult/Teen Technical Services Manager



PROGRAMS

Getting Ahead In a Just Gettin' By World Classes	64 Participants	768 Classes + 86% Graduated
Financial Literacy Classes (11 topics)	55 Participants	32 Classes
Financial and Employment Coaching	134 Participants	380 hrs of Individual Coaching
Digital Navigation	10 Participants	10 hrs of Individual Training
Emergency Car Repair Program	56 Participants	Median Amount of Assistance = \$2,482.96
Asset Development and Incentive Programs	5 Participants saved and received matching \$ to achieve an asset goal	

LONG TERM CHANGE DATA

Average Credit Score Increase	46 points
Average Increase in Net Income	\$765
Average Increase in Net Worth	\$4,009
Average Increase in Savings	\$887
Average Debt Reduction	\$7,087
Average Assets Increase	\$2,510.00



Paulding Getting Ahead Class

70 chromebooks and 9 tablets were received by program participants to support their success in a digital world.



FOC PARTICIPANTS ARE SAYING....

“Participation in the Getting Ahead class gave me life again”. Since Getting Ahead, Brent is connected with a financial coach where he has reviewed his budget, and realized what he needs to focus on. Brent also has connected with the Digital Navigator to learn how to use the computer better. Brent shares that he is volunteering and will be participating in a program that provides resources for employment.

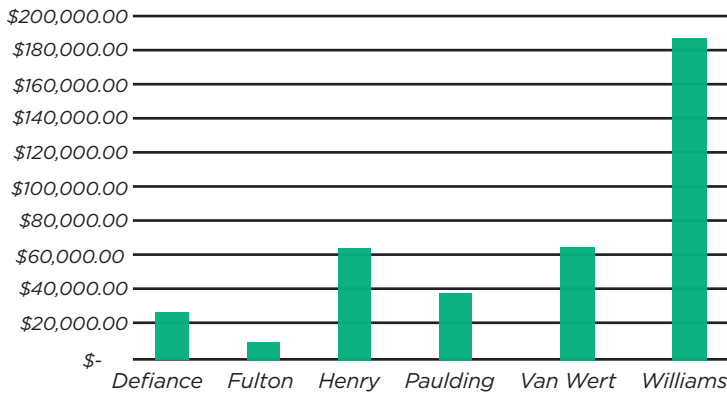


Brent Nixon, Fulton County Getting Ahead Participant

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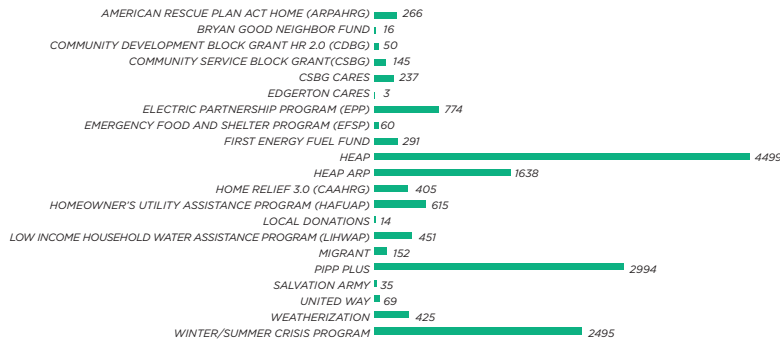
EMERGENCY SERVICES

Property Tax Assistance



\$392,290 in payments for property tax assistance

Emergency Assistance Payments By Funding Source



Total Payments: 16,634



233 fans were distributed

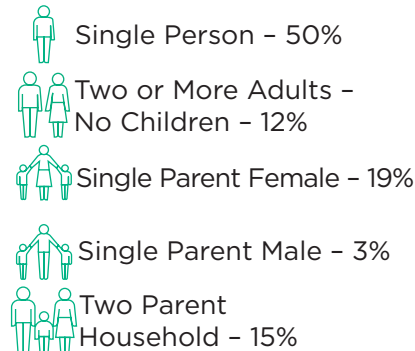
HEAP Summer Crisis.

273 a/c units were distributed



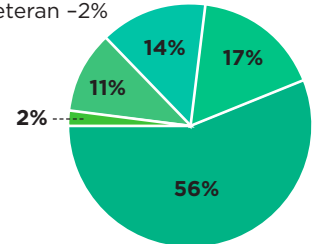
Characteristics of Households Receiving NOCAC Services

HOUSEHOLD



EMPLOYMENT

Unemployed - 56%
Employed Full-Time 17%
Retired -14%
Employed Part Time - 11%
Veteran -2%



Other Characteristics

% of individuals with a disabling condition - 20%
Homeless - 8% Homeowners - 29% Renters - 65%



Clients are saying....

Winter Crisis Program

“Our propane was delivered today! Thank you so so much for all your help! It has been such a rough year, and this helps my family out more than you can understand!!”

-B.C. Winter Crisis Program Client

LIHWAP

“My family had a financial setback when my husband became very ill and we lost a big portion of our income. The water program helped us prevent having our water shut off. What a great program for people who are struggling.”

- Fulton Co Resident

HOMELESS SERVICES

Meals and Prevention

PATH Center Services

6955 lunches/seconds were served averaging **21 meals per day**.

83 individuals attended education opportunities offered at the PATH Center.

239 food donations valued at approximately **\$40,025** were received.

130 cash/misc. donations valued at **\$38,655** were received to support services.

PATH Center vehicles provided a total of **224 trips** for individuals participating in services.

204 volunteers contributed **457 hours of service**.

127 Defiance County **households** received **USDA commodity food packages**.

Coordinated Entry

333 Risk Assessments completed.

63 Households diverted from entering the Homeless Crisis Response System.

322 Referrals to other homelessness assistance programs.



PATH participant and volunteer - Kevin



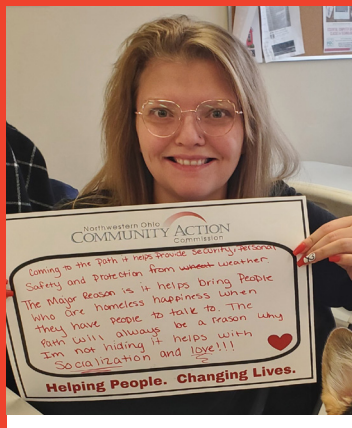
Working together to prepare a favorite lunch.
Cody Fenton - Custodian, Sara Schindler - Cook,
and John Cattell - Driver



36 participants benefited from **Ready2Rent classes** which focused on the knowledge and skills essential for a successful renting experience.

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PATH Participants are saying:
“I came here today for help with my new home. I live alone and need help sometimes. The PATH Center has always helped me with food and is a great place to make new friends and connect with old ones. I am so thankful to have a positive place to go. Thank you PATH Center!”



“PATH will always be a reason I am not hiding. It helps with socialization and love”
- Brittany, PATH Customer and Volunteer

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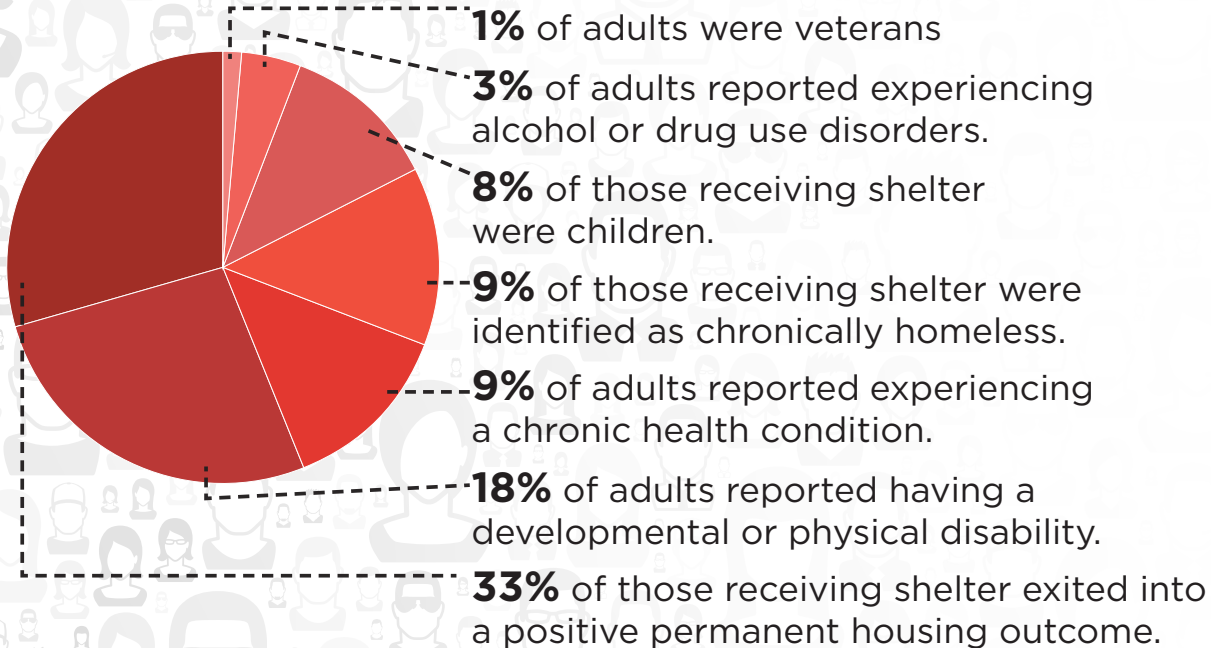
HOMELESS SERVICES

Homeless Crisis Response Programs



Emergency Shelter Program

311 homeless individuals (119 households including 24 children) received shelter. **6,742** nights of emergency shelter were provided, averaging **19** persons sheltered per night. The average shelter stay was **22** nights.



Permanent Supportive Housing

The PSH program supported housing stability for **37 households** with a history of chronic homelessness.

20% of household members were children. The average length of time from program intake to the move-in date was 24 days.

\$204,814.00 of grant funding was allocated for rent deposits, monthly rent, and utility assistance to stabilize housing.



Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-housing Program

76 households consisting of **103 adults** and **52 children** were served through Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing program. *Housing was achieved in an average of 39 days.*

\$79,384.00 was paid to assist with rent, rent arrearages, deposits or utility payments to prevent homelessness. *The average length of program participation was 128 days.*



28% of households gained or increased their income during program participation.



22% of households were newly connected to non-cash benefits during participation.



PATH Center Staff - Angie Burton, Morgan Oberhaus - Housing Stability Specialist, and Alicia Ricker - PATH Program Manager

HOUSING & ENERGY SERVICES

Home repairs, home weatherization, and energy conservation programs are provided by NOCAC's Housing & Energy team enabling homes occupied by low-income families to become more energy efficient and safe. .

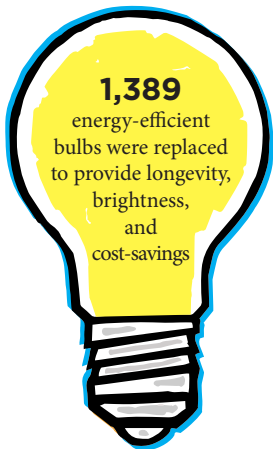
Of the Households Receiving Housing & Energy Services

39% of recipients were aged 60+

42% of recipients were disabled

# of Households	Service Received
81	Furnace Replacement or Clean and Tune or A/C Installation
61	Water Heater Replacement/Sump Pump/Plumbing
30	Exhaust Fan (ASHRA)
10	Roof Replacement
6	Electrical Repairs
4	Pest Control
2	Handicap Shower Modifications
6	Handicap Ramp/Entry Access/Window Replacement
294	Received Refrigerator or Freezer Replacement
138	Weatherization assistance including attic, sidewall, & floor insulation
497	Consumer Education

Households Served by County	house-holds	
Defiance	143	29%
Fulton	119	24%
Henry	31	6%
Paulding	82	17%
Van Wert	92	18%
Williams	30	6%



Low-income households spend as much as 14% of their total annual income on energy costs.

On the contrast, more affluent homes spent only 3% on energy costs.

Weatherization is a systemic whole-house approach to saving energy.

It can result in a 20-30% savings on utility bills!

“Weatherization helped a lot, my utility bills are lower and my house looks nicer. I'm happy these programs are available to people who are struggling!

-Williams County Client



POPULATION, POVERTY RATES, AND OTHER MEASURES OF ECONOMIC NEED

	Defiance	Fulton	Henry	Paulding	Van Wert	Williams
POPULATION & POPULATION CHANGE						
1 Total population, 2020	38,286	42,713	27,662	18,806	28,931	37,102
1 Percentage minority population, 2020	12.1%	10.8%	8.7%	8.2%	7.3%	7.9%
1 Population change, 2015-2020	-40	412	181	-153	612	95
1 Percentage population change, 2015-2020	-0.1%	1.0%	0.7%	-0.8%	2.2%	0.3%
INDIVIDUAL POVERTY RATES						
2 Population in poverty, 2021	3,132	3,422	2,121	1,727	2,045	3,667
2 Overall poverty rate, 2021	8.5%	8.3%	8.0%	9.3%	7.4%	10.3%
2 Child (under age 18) poverty rate, 2021	12.5%	10.4%	10.7%	13.9%	9.9%	15.2%
3 Senior (age 65 and older) poverty rate, 2020	3.0%	6.9%	4.6%	5.6%	6.6%	5.4%
3 White (non-Hispanic) poverty rate, 2020	8.8%	7.5%	7.3%	10.0%	9.2%	10.9%
3 Black/African American poverty rate, 2020	30.7%	N	N	N	N	N
3 Asian poverty rate, 2020	N	N	N	N	N	N
3 Hispanic/Latino (of any race) poverty rate, 2020	15.9%	18%	17.2%	7.9%	18.4%	11.1%
FAMILY POVERTY RATES						
3 Families in poverty, 2020	812	762	494	411	516	812
3 Family poverty rate, 2020	7.6%	6.6%	6.6%	7.6%	6.2%	8.4%
3 Married couples with related children in their care, poverty rate 2020	2.4%	4.2%	3.3%	3.6%	1.1%	5.5%
3 Single women with related children in their care, poverty rate 2020	53.8%	30.2%	40.4%	19.9%	33.0%	41.2%
OTHER MEASURES OF ECONOMIC NEED						
3 Percentage of population below 50% FPL, 2020	3.2%	3.7%	3.5%	4.1%	4.6%	4.9%
3 Percentage of population below 200% FPL, 2020	26.7%	25.8%	26.5%	29.0%	28.2%	31.0%
2 Median household income, 2021	61,816	60,550	64,694	62,062	57,863	52,458
4 Probability a child raised in the bottom fifth rose to the top fifth, 1980-2012	11.8%	11.4%	12.2%	14.6%	4.7%	9.4%
4 Probability a child raised in the bottom fifth stayed in the bottom fifth, 1980-2012	27.1%	22.9%	12.2%	14.6%	34.9%	22.4%
5 Child food insecurity rate, 2019	15.0%	12.7%	14.9%	14.7%	14.9%	15.6%
5 Percentage of children who are both food insecure and ineligible for food assistance, 2019	2.9%	3.0%	4.3%	4.3%	1.8%	4.2%
6 Percentage of public school students K-12, free or reduced-price lunch, 2019	35.8%	30.2%	29.5%	38.3%	37.7%	36.3%
7 Percentage of population receiving SNAP benefits, 2021	10.6%	7.4%	5.8%	10.6%	8.6%	9.8%
8 Percentage of population who are enrolled in Medicaid, 2021	25.9%	19.4%	18.8%	22.0%	22.7%	25.0%
3 Percentage of population with no health insurance, 2020	6.5%	5.3%	5.0%	5.0%	3.7%	5.3%
9 Unemployment rate, 2020	8.2%	7.9%	8.1%	7.5%	7.0%	7.8%
10 Percentage of households receiving HEAP benefits, 2019	6.3%	4.9%	4.3%	7.6%	5.8%	4.1%
3 Percentage of renters cost-burdened, 2020	39.5%	34.9%	31.4%	40.3%	40.1%	35.0%
3 Percentage of owners cost-burdened, 2020	12.7%	15.4%	13.7%	12.9%	12.5%	15.9%

Copied from The Ohio Association of Community Action Agency's "2022 The State of Poverty" in Ohio report

Sources: (1) U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates; (2) U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE); (3) U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS); (4) Equality of Opportunity Project; (5) Feeding America, Map the Meal Gap; (6) Ohio Department of Education; (7) Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, Public Assistance Monthly Statistics; (8) Ohio Department of Medicaid, Medicaid Demographic and Expenditure Report; (9) U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics; (10) Ohio Development Services Agency.

Notes: The first column identifies the source of data by number. For (3) Ohio numbers and percentages represent ACS one-year estimates, whereas all county numbers and percentages represent ACS five-year estimates. For 2020, ACS one-year data are experimental. For county poverty rates by race, ethnicity, and family type, data are suppressed if the denominator is less than 500 individuals, as indicated by the letter "N". For (4), probabilities are based on the current family income of a cohort of adults born between 1980 and 1982 whose family income 30 years ago was in the bottom quintile of the national income distribution at that time. State-level probability is derived by weighting county-level probabilities based on annual birth data from the U.S. Census Bureau. For (6) data include applications at traditional schools only. For (7) Defiance and Paulding were listed together in the dataset so the same percentage was applied to both counties.



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