MCAP News
June 2018

Community Action: Front and Center During Flood Relief Efforts

In the midst of floods and devastation, Community Action is on the front line assisting in relief efforts. "We are front and center" says Bita Dayhoff, the President of the Community Action Council of Howard County which serves the residents of Ellicott City. The agency is partnering with public and private businesses to come to the aid of those in need. The agency is also serving as a site for donations and goods. For more information and ways to help visit https://www.cac-hc.org/

ENGAGE!

JOIN US FOR A

BOARD ENGAGEMENT & RECRUITMENT
ROUNDTABLE

Identify   Recruit   Onboard

Wednesday— June 6, 2018
11:00am-2:30pm

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Location
Broadneck Community Library located in Annapolis.
1275 Green Holly Dr, Annapolis, MD 21409

Board Members and Executive Staff Welcomed!
Low-income representation continues to be a challenge for many of our agencies, this roundtable
will provide some strategies and tips to ensure agencies are in compliance with the
Tripartite Board structure.

MCAP Board Engagement and Recruitment Roundtable

June 6, 2018 11:30am
Broadneck Community Library
1275 Green Holly Drive
Annapolis, MD 21409

Review the requirements of the tripartite structure and explore best practices and procedures for recruiting board members from the low income sector.

REGISTER HERE
Deadline to register is June 1st!

Contribute to your NCAF State Goal, purchase your CAPFACTS Subscription and/or donate to NCAF today.

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NCAF works to keep CSBG funding flowing to Community Action Agencies. CSBG funding supports the unique work of Community Action Agencies and their approach to fighting poverty.

CFE Request for Proposal Released

Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund (CFE Fund) released a Request for Proposals seeking partners to expand the opportunity to integrate banking access into programs that work with high school age youth. Click here for additional information .

Announcement Release date May 29th. Application due date July 2nd.

Community Action Agency Highlights

Garrett County Community Action Committee honor its volunteers.

Various department directors, such as Asset Development, Aging & Nutrition and Child & Family Development, recognized attending volunteers for their hours of service and dedication to helping those served by Community Action.

More than 70 volunteers as well as local elected officials, attended the event.

Read more Here

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Montgomery Community Action Agency Celebrates 50th Year; Recognizes Volunteers, Awardees and Community Advocacy Institute Graduates

The Community Action Agency (CAA) celebrated its 50th anniversary on May 22, 2018 at a Silver Spring event honoring individuals and organizations for their work in promoting economic self-sufficiency.

The celebration included a graduation ceremony for eighteen county residents who completed the Community Advocacy Institute, an eight-month training program for low-income residents which was developed and led by the Community Action Board.

Pamela Luckett, chair of the board, noted that as part of the program, "each participant completed an advocacy project - either meeting with an elected official, testifying before the County Council, or submitting a letter to the Council - to advance the well-being of the community."

Attendees could see a photographic history of the CAA and a video produced by County Cable Montgomery. To see photos from the event click here .

Celebrating 54 Years of IMPACT

On Thursday, May 24, 2018, the United Communities Against Poverty (UCAP) hosted its 54th annual gala, *IMPACT*, at The Newton White Mansion in Mitchellville, MD. The spectacular event, which featured exquisite cuisine and exceptional entertainment from national recording artist Chrisette Michelle and the Fame Jazz Band, raised more than $50,000 to support the many services offered by UCAP throughout Prince Georges County. Read more here.
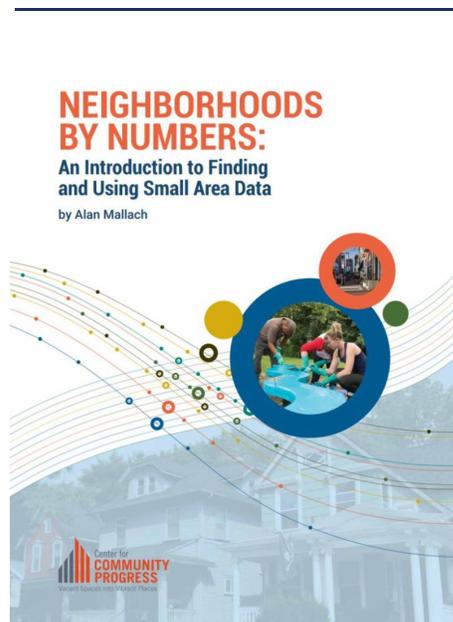

New evidence shows that our anti-poverty programs, especially Social Security, work well

Few U.S. government efforts are consistently more vilified than anti-poverty programs. They're dismissed as ineffective and ridiculed as giveaways to undeserving recipients.

A new paper puts the lie to these assertions by showing that the nation's most important anti-poverty efforts all succeed in serving their goals - in the case of Social Security, spectacularly. The authors, Bruce D. Meyer and Derek Wu of the University of Chicago, used administrative statistics from six major programs to demonstrate that five of the six "sharply reduce deep poverty" (that is, income below 50% of the federal poverty line) and the sixth has a "pronounced" impact among the working poor.

The programs that reduce deep poverty are Social Security; Supplemental Security Income; Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), which is what commonly is known as "welfare"; housing assistance; and food stamps, or SNAP. The sixth is the Earned Income Tax Credit, which helps mostly families that earn around 150% of the poverty line. (That line is about $25,100 in annual income for a family of four.)

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Neighborhoods by Numbers: An Introduction to Finding and Using Small Area Data

In the newest publication by Community Progress senior fellow, Alan, readers navigate how to effectively use data to shape planning and revitalization decisions for their community -- even without a degree in statistics, GIS knowhow, or the budget for a consultant.

This easy-to-use, color-coded book walks you through how to find, understand, and use key local and national datasets. It focuses on the use of data for small areas like properties, blocks, and neighborhoods, because understanding the dynamics of small areas is key to developing revitalization strategies tailored to block-by-block needs.

Download the document here

Examining Core Homeless Service Interventions
How does homeless prevention, diversion, shelter, rapid-rehousing, and targeted permanent housing fit together as part of an effective homeless service system?

Decreasing Homelessness

Region 3 RPIC Learning Community Outreach

Region 3 Learning Community (R3LC) is recruiting members for a project based on the guidance of the National Learning Community Resource Center work.

Time: Applications will be expected by June 15, 2018. The whole group will meet virtually on July 24 and a schedule of sub group meetings (about one per month) will be created. We recognize that the outcomes related to these topics may not be accomplished quickly, so we expect some aspects of the LC will continue into the next program year

Topics: The two topics are: Community Level Work and Board Development. LC members will narrow them down as a part of their work - depending on the specific areas of interest or concern raised by the LC members.

For more information and to complete a R3LC Profile Page, click here. Completed profiles should be emailed to Barbara Mooney If your agency is interested in both topics, please submit a separate profile page for each topic.

DHCD Update

DHCD will send an updated 2019-20 CAP plan template to agencies no later than June 8th; the template will be due to the State CSBG Office not later than COB August 10th.

Future National Webinar Series Dates

June 2, 2018: A Family Centered Coaching Approach to Service Integration (**Register)**

June 13, 2018: Becoming Data Centric Using a Whole Agency Data Approach (**Register)**

June 27, 2018: Impact and Evaluation for Social Determinants of

Health (**Register)**

Make your way to the vibrant city of Albuquerque, New Mexico for the 2018 CAPLAW National Training Conference from June 20-22, 2018 at the Albuquerque Convention Center.

With expert knowledge in their fields, our results-oriented faculty of attorneys, financial professionals, government officials, and nonprofit managers will help you navigate the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities that Community Action Agencies, other federally-funded organizations and nonprofits encounter each day.

Find more information here.

Transforming Business Models	**2018 Region 3 ROMA Update**
Webinar June 27, 2018 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Learn the four core components of a nonprofit business model - revenue mix, understanding the cost of effective programs, infrastructure, and capital structure - and how all of these components connect to mission and your organization's financial health. Register here	June 26-27, 2018 8:30 am The Region 3 (MD, PA, WV, VA, DC and DE) ROMA update, for certified ROMA Trainers and Implementers will be held at the Hotel Madison and Shenandoah Valley Conference Center located at 710 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. **All ROMA Professionals encouraged to attend.** For more details and registration, click here

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