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Remembrance and Reflection Month

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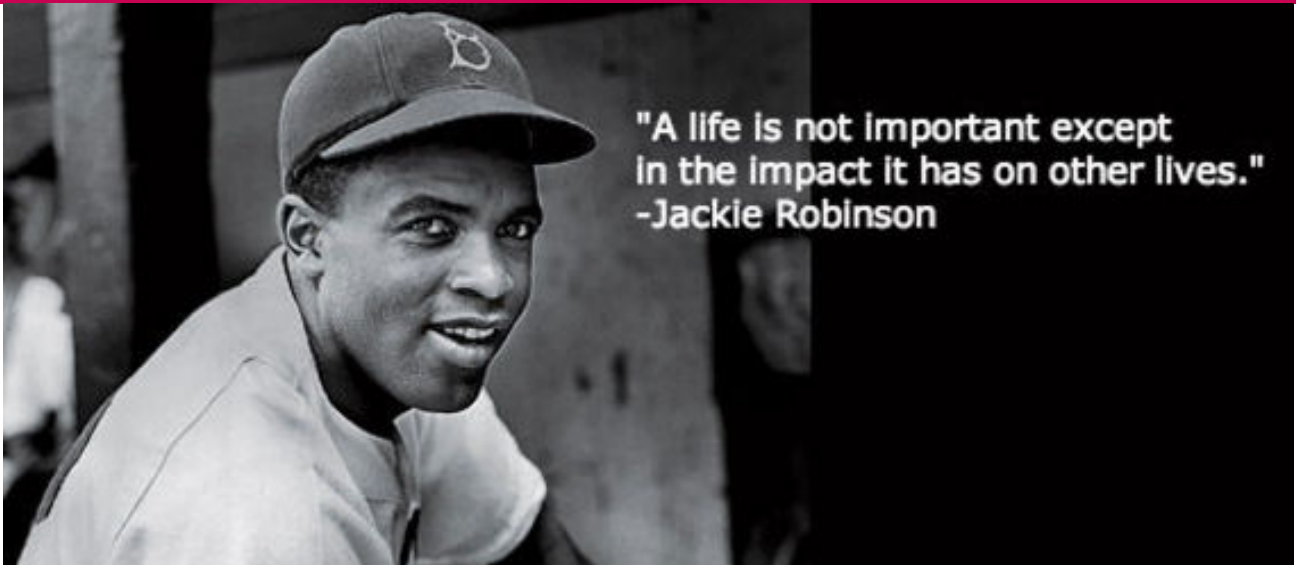
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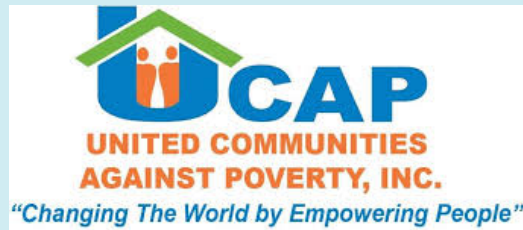


"A life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives."
-Jackie Robinson

This quote states that the one thing that actually matters is the impact we

have on the lives of others. That is the closest thing to immortality we as humans can achieve. To help others live better, to improve their condition, to help them believe in themselves, to help them achieve more than they thought they could. That is what is truly important.

CAA SUCCESS



Shelter Suites Offer Safe & Comfortable Space for Homeless Residents

UCAP has created a safe and comfortable space for homeless individuals and families residing in Shepherd's Cove shelter. Their renovations have provided additional suites to manage the increased need for those seeking shelter. They especially want to thank their many donors that adopted shelter suites and provided resources to help purchase needed items for the dorms/suites. Thanks to all of the donors that provided \$500-\$5,000 to help purchase comforters, sheets, pillows and cases, rugs, and window blinds. Many also purchased and donated comforters and sheets for the new suites. They have some additional suites available for adoption.

[Visit UCAP's Website](#) or Contact Gwendolyn Ferguson @ (301) 322-5700 ext. 109 for details.

MCAP EVENTS



Are You Ready for Advocacy Day 2021?

You're invited to the 2021 Community Action Virtual Advocacy Day!

Join us [February 24th 10:30 am - 12:30 pm](#) as we share how Community Action Agencies across the state are impacting low-income individuals and families. Throughout the pandemic Community Action Agencies have been on the front lines providing critical services to the state's most vulnerable populations. Help us acknowledge and celebrate the work and the mission of helping people and changing lives. Your involvement makes this work possible and your continued support is critically important.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

For additional information [click here](#)

New E-Courses Coming in March!

MCAP Master classes are courses designed to empower, stimulate new ideas and increase effectiveness.

[Sign Up Here for Updates!](#)



Maryland Community Action Partnership

Maryland Community Action Partnership Presents

RISK MANAGEMENT IN ACTION WEBINAR

February 25, 2021 11:00AM



Join us as we explore how to create, 'sell,' and implement an action plan organized around the top operational risk facing your organization. Melanie Herman, Executive Director for the Non-Profit Risk Management Center will provide practical guidance about creating a custom, longer-term model to evolve risk management capabilities.

You'll learn how to identify and evaluate risks related to strategy, and develop and present a compelling report about risk to engage your board in a meaningful, governance-level conversation about risks.

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WORTHWHILE WEBINARS



2021 NCAF ESSENTIAL WORKSHOP SERIES

Starting Next Week! NCAF's 2021 Essential Workshop Series

Monday, February 8th @ 2:00pm ET:
Biden's First 100 Days, Congressional Response and Community Action
[Click Here to Register](#)

It's \$150 per individual per workshop, or \$500 per individual for all four workshops.

You won't want to miss this!
Please reach out to info@ncaf.org if you have any questions.

Next Week!

Collaborative Partnerships on Rental Assistance February 10 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm EST

Join the Community Action Partnership and Council of State Community Development Agencies (COSCDA) next week for a discussion on delivering rental assistance resources during the COVID-19 pandemic. This webinar will showcase the importance of state and local partnerships when implementing effective relief programs. Panelists will highlight practices to ensuring available funding is promoted and accessible to households in need.

The following speakers will share their engagement and perspectives:

- [John Joines](#), Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area (MO)
- [Jackie Fox](#), West Ohio Community Action
- [Sarah Parsons](#), Missouri Housing Development Commission
- [Megan Meadows](#), Ohio Development Services Agency

To join the conversation, register below!

[Register Here](#)

What Are Intended Impact and Theory of Change?



Improving strategic decision-making with Intended Impact and Theory of Change Webinar

Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 12:00 PM Pacific / 3:00 PM Eastern

A well-defined intended impact and theory of change (II/TOC) can smooth your path to a great strategy. Together, these two powerful concepts can help your organization refine the goals it commits to achieve and map the road for how to accomplish them.

In this webinar, you'll:

- Understand how II/TOC builds a strong foundation for an effective strategy
- Hear how other nonprofit leaders approached this challenge
- Learn to use a simple but powerful II/TOC toolkit to start this work for your organization

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COVID-19's Impact on Food Insecurity Webinar

Tuesday, March 9, at 10:00 a.m. PT / 1:00 p.m. ET)

Join us on **Tuesday, March 9**, when Consumer Action hosts a free webinar focusing on the impact of COVID-19 on food insecurity and the question of whether we need to overhaul our community response to food insecurity.

The webinar will cover:

- The history of community food programs and their contributions to addressing food insecurity
- A community response versus a federal response to food insecurity, and why we need both
- The intersection between food and health, and why concentrating on food alone is not enough
- Overview of the USDA Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program
- Overview of urban agriculture and community gardening and their contributions to alleviating food insecurity
- Strategies and solutions

[Register Here](#) to participate in this free 90-minute webinar

Presenters:

[Karen Washington](#), farmer and activist

[Dr. Katherine Alaimo](#), associate professor in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at Michigan State University

[Dr. Lisa Jahns](#), national program leader for the Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture of the USDA.



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COVID-19's Impact on Food Insecurity: Do we need to overhaul our community response?

**Webinar
March 9, 2021**

If you have any questions for our guest speakers, please send them to linda.williams@consumer-action.org by March 2.

TIPS & TOOLS

Racial Equity Toolkit Updated to Evaluate Vaccinations

Black and Brown communities have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic - especially those experiencing homelessness. As vaccine distribution rolls out, it is important for homeless service systems to not exacerbate the health disparities already in existence.

The Alliance's Racial Equity Network (REN) has updated its Racial Equity Data Tool to include racial demographics and data points to consider for the vaccination process.

[Download the updated tool >>>](#)

Nonprofit E-book: Ways to respond to COVID-19

Steps you can take to make your nonprofit more resilient

To amplify your impact externally, you must first respond, recover and revitalize internally. This e-book that dives into your next steps – actionable items that improve your infrastructure and set your employees up for success. In this e-book, you'll learn how to:

- Take remote work to the next level
- Rethink how you manage remote employees
- Manage employees' fear and uncertainty and boost morale
- Assess your technology

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National Alliance to END HOMELESSNESS

Preventing Homelessness for Youth and Young Families in Foster Care: FY2021 Updates

Many young people who enter homelessness, including young parents with children, do so after exiting foster care. We have an opportunity now to end this trajectory and the disparate impact on Black youth and young parents.

Read More at the Link Below:

[Preventing Homelessness for Youth and Young Families in Foster Care: FY2021 Updates](#)

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