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**Employment Training Center** 

**Energy Services** 

Family Support and Resource Center

Healthy Families/WIC

Parent and Child Connections Center

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# Get Involved!

Take a moment & complete the **Community Needs Assessment** so we can better serve you!



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### Get on board!

We're looking for Board Members! If you are interested in contributing to your community as a SCCAP Board Member, please contact our office at 518-243-2568 with your name and contact information.

"For thirty years, I had the privilege of interacting with SCCAP both professionally and personally and was impressed with what I saw. Now, as both a board member and chair, I have gained an even greater appreciation for this organization. SCCAP makes a difference in so many ways and provides an invaluable service to our community."

Pastor Ray Richards, Board Chair





"Building stronger, healthier communities and empowering families that experience economic and social challenges through strategic partnerships, education, services, and compassion."

### **2021** Impact Report

## Schoharie County Community Action Program

# The Action in Community Action

**Community Action Agencies** across the nation have been charged with addressing the causes and conditions of poverty within their community with a focus on educating the public about economic barriers the low-income community faces, the services available to address these barriers, and the far-reaching community benefits of these supportive services.

### Supporting Relationships & Esteem–Building

**Empowering families**" is at the center of our mission, and we do this hrough strengthening family bonds and making community connections.

**38** families participated in skill building 36 child care connections | 771 family visits occurred 38 families connected with esteem-building activities for youth

Supporting youth activities, family bonds, skill building, and child care connections strengthens families at home <u>AND</u> increases positive interactions in the community. Esteem-building and behavioral interventions prepare youth for success. Child care connections and family visits outside of traditional working hours helps to support working parents.

### **Enhancing our Workforce**

Employment is a main driver of socioeconomic status – SCCAP supports both employers and those seeking employment in their job search, employment retention, and professional development.

856 total DHP\* services provided during 2021 16 individuals enrolled | 14 entered employment 17 DHP training workshops held | 7 retained employment for 90+ days

Helping individuals overcome barriers to employment and supporting local businesses in workforce development is a multi-faceted approach to reducing unemployment and contributing to economic growth. Customized Business Trainings are offered to our local business community to help support business operations and build human assets.

### Stabilizing Families & Maximizing Resources



The first step in the pathway to self-sufficiency is **stabilization**; meeting immediate needs to **alleviate stressors** and **keep families safe**. Supplemental programs help families maximize their financial resources.

23 rent/utility payments to keep families housed \$79,147 returned through the Earned Income Tax Credit **394** pantry packages | **363** SNAP/HEAP applications

Stabilization prevents family crises and maximizes their financial resources for local spending. For example, \$1.00 in SNAP benefits generates \$1.70 in economic activity.\*\*

\*DHP - Displaced Homemaker Program provides employment skills training, computer workshops, job search training, and support to qualified Displaced Homemakers.

\*\***Source:** https://hungersolutionsny.org/wp-content/uplogds/2020/08/CBPP-co-brand-SNAP-factsheet-NY-3 2 21.pdf

### Established to promote self-sufficiency and ensure that all residents are able to live in dianity through:

CHANGE We value the ability of people to build on their strengths to move toward healthy interdependence.

**RESPECT** We value the preservation of personal dignity of our consumers, staff, board, and community.

**INNOVATION** We encourage innovation and commit to principles that will meet the challenges of a changing environment.

### **Promoting Wellness**

There are many dimensions to wellness – SCCAP supports and incentivizes local families and businesses for promoting healthy choices.

\$3,540 Farmer's Market Vouchers\*\*\* distributed 9 People attended health and wellness classes 5,867 oz of breastmilk donated to the Milk Depot Bank 61 eWIC cards issued | \$71,148 CACFP\*\*\*\* reimbursements

Increased access and incentives encourage families and partners to invest in their health and wellness—helping to fulfill our mission of "building stronger, healthier communities."

### Improving Infrastructure



SCCAP is committed to reducing energy costs for low-income families by improving the energy efficiency of their homes and ensuring their health and safety.

26 homes weatherized | 5,573 gallons of fuel saved **\$15,378** energy cost savings | **33** weatherization audits completed

Weatherization services improve Schoharie County housing stock and jumpstart economic growth in our neighborhoods by reducing the environmental impact of energy usage and **increasing real estate market value** on local homes.

### **Client Impact**

Weatherization client: "I don't have words to express my gratitude for the wonderful work that Adam's team-Rick, Ed & Norman—did in my mobile home. I am more than grateful for your program where many people will enjoy a better and warm place to live".

Day Care Provider: "SCCAP makes required trainings easily accessible, they offer CACFP information and guidance, they have given me helpful curriculum ideas and so much more! The staff are extremely responsive to any questions I have, are always there to support children and families, and they strive to build relationships with their daycare providers".

\*\*\*Farmer's Market Vouchers are distributed to WIC participants and can be redeemed for nutritious foods at participating farm stands. \*\*\*\*Child and Adult Food Care Program: reimbursements for nutritious meals and snacks provided to adults and children enrolled in care



COVID impacted job seeker: Client's work hours were reduced due to the pandemic, husband suffered work injury and now they were unable to make ends meet. The wife was provided with computer skills training. With her new skill set she was able to obtain a full-time position and is doing well. She credited the Displaced Homemaker Program for giving her the skills and support needed to make the career change!