



# BLUEGRASS COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP

## THE PROMISE OF COMMUNITY ACTION:

"Community Action 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 each other."

## WHAT WE DO:

Bluegrass Community Action Partnership offers a wide variety of assistance programs. Some of these include:

LIHEAP SUBSIDY/CRISIS- LIHEAP is a winter program that assists people of all ages with their various heating costs. They must fall within poverty guidelines. LIHEAP Subsidy occurs between November and December. LIHEAP Crisis occurs during January, February, and March. People who apply can receive a one time payment through LIHEAP during November or December during LIHEAP Subsidy, and they can also receive a one time payment during LIHEAP Crisis during the months of January, February, or March. To receive a payment during LIHEAP crisis, families must have either received their disconnect notice or be currently disconnected. They must demonstrate a financial need and be unable to pay their heating utility bills. LIHEAP funds can cover electric, gas, propane, wood, coal, fuel oil, or kerosene.

WEATHERIZATION- With funding provided by the Department of Energy and the Department of Housing, the Weatherization Program provides necessary home repairs to prevent heat loss and repair or replace heating systems when necessary. The goal of the program is to assist clients in securing a safe, healthy home environment and reduce heating and cooling bills by providing necessary home repairs.

SAMARITIN and KY HEARTH HOUSING PROGRAMS- Samaritan is a permanent supportive housing program that serves chronically homeless disabled individuals. KY Hearth serves people in our area with homelessness prevention services and rapid re-housing. These programs serve people who are homeless or at risk for homelessness due to various reasons, which can include economic crisis. Both programs are temporary solutions to the problem of homelessness, and are not meant to be long-term. The goal of the program is to teach self-sufficiency and to help the persons involved remain in stable housing after the program ends.

SENIOR COMMODITIES PROGRAM- The senior commodities program allows seniors ages 60 and older who meet low-income requirements to receive supplemental food benefits monthly. Although this program does not provide food for an entire month, it gives seniors a substantial amount of items to meet their nutritional needs. Commodities are distributed every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at the Army National Guard Armory building, and are provided by God's Food Pantry in Lexington, with BGCAP acting as a distributor agent.

SCREENING SERVICES/REFERRALS- Our agency provides a screening service and/or referrals to several other agencies in our community that also provide various types of assistance. Some of these agencies include Salvation Army, Family Services, Red Cross, and several local churches. The agencies we screen for often require a referral to make sure that there is a legitimate need and that there is a financial need.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THE PROGRAMS LISTED  
IN THIS INFORMATION PACKET, OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW  
MORE ABOUT LOCAL RESOURCES TO HELP WITH A NEED THAT WE DO  
NOT ASSIST WITH, PLEASE CONTACT US:**

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502-695-4290 or 1-800-456-6571**

**Or contact your local Community Developer's Office**