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Dear Parents,

Knowing that children and their families could be directly or indirectly affected in a positive way, I want to make you aware that community action agencies throughout West Virginia have programs to serve low-income individuals and families.



Through the Community Services Block Grant American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant funds, 16 West Virginia community action agencies have 81 programs that provide much needed services to low-income individuals and families throughout West Virginia. Those programs include services such as job training and placement, housing and homebuyer assistance, nutrition and health-related services, childcare, tuition and transportation assistance, and emergency payments for rent and utilities. Community action agencies are working to empower individuals and families by assisting with eliminating job barriers and increasing family stability – helping West Virginians help themselves.

If your family's income is at, or below, 200% of federal poverty guidelines, you may be eligible for services. See the chart below to determine your possible eligibility.

Persons in family	Income at 200% above poverty guidelines
1	\$21,660
2	\$29,140
3	\$36,620
4	\$44,100
5	\$51,580
6	\$59,060
7	\$66,540
8	\$74,020
For families with more than 8 persons, add \$7,480 for each additional person.	

I am pleased to provide you with contact information included on the back of this letter and encourage you to call or visit your community action agency to find out more details.

Best Regards,

Julie C. Palas
CSBG Recovery Act Administrator

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for yourself, someone you know, or someone you don't know.

Capitol Resource Agency, Inc.
Boone, Clay, Fayette, Kanawha and Putnam Counties
304-720-5413

Central WV Community Action Assn, Inc.
Harrison and Lewis Counties
304-622-8495

CHANGE, Inc.
Brook, Hancock, Marshall and Ohio Counties
304-797-7733 or 304-845-8269

Coalfield Community Action Partnership, Inc.
Mingo County
800-234-1706

Community Action of South Eastern WV
Mercer, Monroe and Summers Counties
304-327-3506

Community Resources, Inc.
Calhoun, Doddridge, Gilmer, Jackson, Pleasants,
Ritchie, Roane, Tyler, Wetzel, Wirt and Wood Counties
304-485-5525

Council of the Southern Mountains
McDowell County
304-862-3144, 5, or 6

Eastern WV Community Action Agency, Inc.
Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Mineral, Morgan and
Pendleton Counties
304-538-7711

Mountain CAP of West Virginia, Inc.
Braxton, Upshur and Webster Counties
304-472-1500

MountainHeart Community Services, Inc.
Wyoming County
304-682-8271

Nicholas Community Action Partnership, Inc.
Nicholas County
304-872-1162

North Central WV Community Action Assn, Inc.
Barbour, Greenbrier, Marion, Monongalia, Pocahontas,
Preston, Randolph, Taylor and Tucker Counties
304-363-2170

P.R.I.D.E. in Logan County, Inc.
Logan County
304-752-6868

Raleigh County Community Action Assn
Raleigh County
304-252-6396

Southwestern Community Action Council, Inc.
Cabell, Lincoln, Mason and Wayne Counties
304-525-5151

Telamon Corporation
Berkeley and Jefferson Counties
304-263-0916



The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)
is here to help you.

The Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity wants you to know that you or someone you know may qualify for one of many programs funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) that President Obama signed into law to stimulate the economy.

West Virginia received \$11 million through the Community Service Block Grant to expand or create programs to reduce poverty, revitalize low-income communities, and empower low-income families and individuals in rural and urban areas to become fully self-sufficient.

The programs address employment, education, better use of available income, housing, nutrition, and emergency services that create and sustain economic growth.

A network of sixteen Community Action Agencies across the State provide related services that create a foundation to change lives through personal, social, and financial assets.

If you or someone you know wants to find out who is eligible for one or more of these services, please contact the Community Action Agency that serves your county (on the left) or Julie Palas at the number listed below.

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