

Hello Friend,

As I reflect over the past three months, I think about all of the great work that has been done in our community to help our neighbors during this difficult period. So many great partnerships have been formed, all working together to increase the capacity to provide much-needed services.

One of our important partnerships is Project Lift, which has continued without interruption despite the pandemic. It is a public/private partnership that helps families break down barriers to self-sufficiency. This cutting edge partnership has helped many families, including Ms. C., whose story is below.

As we begin to reimagine how CAA will operate as a result of the pandemic, we want you to know that we are working to reopen our doors as soon as we can. Before we do this, however, we are working to ensure that everyone entering CAA is as safe as possible. We all miss meeting with our clients and families face-to-face. We will continue to keep everyone up-to-date with our efforts to reopen, and we thank you all for your continued support.

Best,

Mark B. Lawson, Esq. CEO/ President

Community Action in Action

In 2018, Ms. C. left her abusive husband and became a single mother. She began cleaning houses to support her three children, one of whom has severe autism. However, as a one-income household, she was unable to pay her utility bills.

She came to Community Action Agency seeking help to provide a healthy and safe home for herself and her children. She worked closely with a CAA employee to obtain financial support through Project Lift, and we were able to help Ms. C. pay her utility bills.

With assistance from CAA, Ms. C. is working towards her dream of having her own business making piñatas, similar to a company her family has in Mexico. She plans to participate in GCMI's Mi Negocio small business training classes taught entirely in Spanish and one day provide the joy of piñatas to our community.

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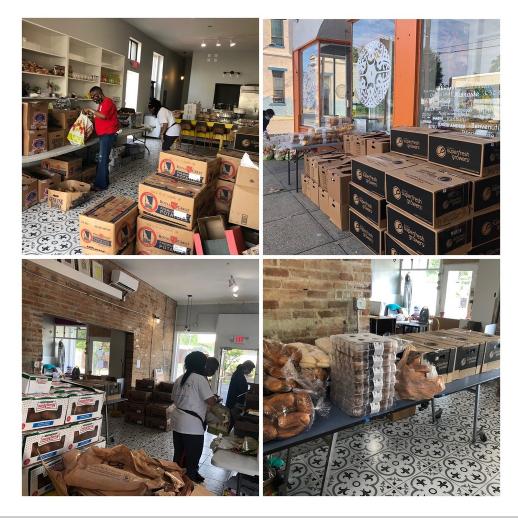
Summer Crisis Facebook Live

Join HEAP Director, Dianne Dozier, on Facebook Live this Thursday, June 11 at 2 pm, as she discusses our Summer Crisis Program. You can view this live event <u>@CincinnatiCAA</u>.



Mobile Food Pantry

Special thank you to our volunteers and the folks at <u>The Welcome Project</u> for distributing food to those in our community this morning. We will host our next Produce Pop Up on Wednesday, June 17, at Community Action Agency (1740 Langdon Farm Rd 45237) from 2-4 pm.



U.S. Census Jobs

The U.S. Census Bureau is still hiring census takers! If you are interested in Census Jobs, apply at <u>2020census.gov/jobs</u> or call 844.330.2020.



Nominate an Individual or Organization for CAA Award

Community Action Agency is proud to award community members and organizations for their commitment to improving our community. Awards will be presented at our 56th Annual Luncheon. Below are the awards given by CAA; click on each for more information and to fill out a nomination form

- Bridge Builder Award
- Gwen L. Robinson Catalyst for Change Award
- Theodore M. Berry Award

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