



Jefferson County  
Community Action Council  
*Helping People. Changing Lives.*

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## News You Can Use

### January 2022

#### *From His Desk to Yours*

For the new personnel I became interim CEO on January 8, 2016. During this time the agency was about to lose many of our programs. Here we are now, six years later and we are continuing to grow each day. If any of our new staff members are curious about this time, please talk to the other employees. Of course, there are very few left that have been through those turbulent times.

As we finish off this year and begin January, I would like to look back and say I am very proud of everything that we have accomplished in 2021. The pandemic halted many of the agencies in Ohio while the Jefferson County Community Action Council stayed open. We served customers throughout the pandemic. First, we modified our method of service due to State's requirements and used paper applications. As time continued, we started taking appointments and walk ins. Now in 2022 the pandemic is growing again. As we did in previous years before we will stay open to serve the people. We will follow the State requirements as it applies to us.

In 2021 we lost Cathedral Apartments. There have been many different stories regarding this loss, including some *fake news* put out on this subject. Here is the rest of the story:

The Diocese of Steubenville would not extend our lease. We were working on obtaining funding and the only way to get such funding was for the Diocese to commit to extending the lease for the life of a loan we had to put against the building. The Diocese did not respond to this, therefore we lost the funding.

They then stated that we did not keep up with the upkeep of the building. This is not true. We maintained the building as funding allowed. Big projects such as the roof we could not do. We had just put in a new hot water tank and pressure valves which was over ten thousand dollars when the Diocese announced that they were cancelling our lease.

One important piece of information that the Diocese did not include was that they hired an engineer to inspect the integrity of the building. The final comment from this individual was "This building would be standing 150 years from now". Instead, the Diocese decided to take a comment made by Steubenville's building inspector months before the engineer's inspection. This individual worked for the same agency that was going to assist us with funding.

The final item was that the Diocese had no plans for the use of this building, yet within 30 days they had put into motion the demolition of this building. I believe that this was their plan all along. It should also be noted that they gave no assistance to relocation of the 22 individuals in this building even though they stated otherwise.

This was both a very good year and a very hard year for us. While we lost funding, we received new. I cannot express enough gratitude to the staff for all the effort and extra time they put in to go the extra mile to help participants. I want to give a special thanks to Richard Gualitere for filling in for me in my time of absence. The extra effort from Patty Minto through her hard times she encountered this year. Tammie Lewis for the hard work in staying up with everything. Hannah Titi for her take charge attitude and getting things done. The staff of the CAC for taking care of all our clients in the most professional manner possible during unstable times.

I hope that 2022 bring you and your family's happiness and everything that you wished for.



#### MISSION STATEMENT

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### Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program Overview

The primary goal of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, hereafter WIOA, is a program that assists the customer to secure permanent, unsubsidized employment, which will lead to individual self-sufficiency. A customer may progress through Career or Training services to achieve this goal. Training services are for those with no marketable job skills and must be in a growth or demand occupation that can lead to a self-sufficient wage.

### ADULT AND DISLOCATED WORKER

**Adult Eligibility:** Income guidelines are followed if a prospect is working. Household, Family, income is compared to 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. If a customer is not employed at the time of application, there are no income guidelines. However, each customer is treated on a case-by-case basis to ensure suitability with classroom training and professional prospects.

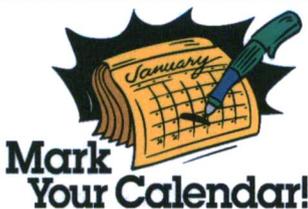
**Dislocated Worker Eligibility:** Documented loss of employment due to a business closure or lay-off. A customer may be currently unemployed and unlikely to return to his or her prior occupation due to economic conditions in that industry.

Director: Hope McAfee ext. 119

Case Manager: Jennifer Zitko ext. 121

Case Manager: Jana Kizito ext. 133

Case Manager: Ebony Wise ext. 163



The CAC will be closed Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### WAY TO GO!

The CAC Bell Ringers raised

\$173.69 for  
The Salvation Army!

HAPPY  
*Birthday*

*Chavoi Brooks - January 27*

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