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July 2022

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

July Staff Birthdays

July 12 – John Shaw

July 15 – Shannon Bednar

July 22 – Trudy Lash

July 22 – Tammie Lewis

July 24 – Mike McGlumphy

July 28 – DeAudra McBride

July 29 – Galen Wade

July 31 – Alice Mieczkowski



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 7th – All Staff Meeting
(9:00am)

July 7th - Budgeting and
Managing Debt Workshop
(11:00) Sign up sheet located
by mailboxes

From His Desk to Yours

Year 7 as Chief Executive Officer

I am starting my 7th year as Chief Executive Officer for Jefferson County Community Action Council. I have no idea where the time has gone. Over the past six years this agency has helped a countless number of people and we continue to do so each day going forward.

We have implemented a customer satisfaction survey for all departments and so far, I am extremely proud and happy to report that we are 90% receiving positive responses. This is because our main purpose for being here is to serve our customers and exceed their expectations.

I started like gang busters in 2016. But have noticed that I'm slowing down over the years. The 2021 COVID didn't help. We managed to keep working and we faced a lot of changes in 2021, I'm sure there are a lot more coming. We have COVID grants ending in September and must be ready to respond to the demand that is coming. I hope we can obtain more Grants to replace them. There is a true uncertainty of what will happen.

What I do know is with the rising cost of living the demand for services is going to increase. We need to put ourselves into a position to respond to this demand. This may be a bigger challenge than what we faced in 2021. Time will tell.

While the workforce is in a mass change. That doesn't mean this agency has to follow suit. This agency will continue to help countless numbers of people., exceeding expectations and obtaining positive results. The challenge will be greater due to our unstable economy. I am and always will be proud of all the staff and know you should be proud of yourselves.

Keep fighting the good fight.

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Summer Crisis is Around the Corner

Monthly Program Highlight

Our Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). Is preparing for another busy Summer Crisis. The Home Energy Assistance Summer Crisis Program provides a one-time benefit to eligible Ohioans with cooling assistance during the summer months. The program runs from July 1 to September 30. The focus of the Summer Crisis Program is to provide assistance with electric utility bills, central air conditioning repairs, and air conditioning unit and/or fan purchases. Households with a household member who is either 60 years of age and older, has been diagnosed with COVID-19, or has a certified medical condition, and households who have a disconnect notice, have been shut off, or are trying to establish new electric service may be eligible for assistance. Ohioans enrolled in the Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP) Program are eligible for assistance towards their default PIPP payment, first PIPP payment, central air conditioning repairs, or may receive an air conditioning unit and/or fan.

In 2021 the HEAP Staff served **313** households during Summer Crisis!

For more information contact Robyn Gillette HEAP Supervisor: 740-282-0971



HOLIDAYS

Happy 4th of July!

Jefferson County CAC will be closed on Monday, July 4th in observance of 4th of July. We will reopen Tuesday July 5th for normal business hours.

OPEN POSITIONS

In June, the Agency Currently has one open position. HEAP Intake Worker: Applicants must complete an application or provide a current resume and provide a copy of their valid driver's license.

If you have family or friends looking for employment this may be an opportunity for them!



The CAC is **Continuing A Commitment** to restore and revitalize the quality of life in Jefferson County, and move the residents towards self-sufficiency. We achieve this goal by adapting and providing programs that are accessible, affordable, and culturally-sensitive to meet the needs of the community.