

OPEN MEETING MINUTES
Waukesha County
Public Health Advisory Committee
Thursday, August 11, 2022
Health and Human Services Building, Room 271

Present Committee Members: Froedtert Health (Andrew Dresang, Chair), ProHealth Care Hispanic Health Resource Center (Jessica Kadow), Betty Koepsel, Lake Area Free Clinic (Mary Reich), Luann Ladwig, Sixteenth Street Community Health Center (Liz Kirsch), ProHealth Care (Sarah Butz)

Absent Committee Members: Aurora Medical Center

HHS Board Liaisons: Mary Baer

Present HHS Staff Liaisons: Ben Jones, Bridget Gnad, Elizabeth Laatsch, Frances Thomas, Sarah Ward

Absent HHS Staff Liaisons: Mary Jo Hamman, Mary Smith, Theresa Imp

Guests: Gabrielle Manders, Lisa Kwiat, Tristin Bruno

1. Call to Order

Chair Dresang called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. Attendees introduced themselves.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Kadow moved, second by Reich to approve the Public Health Advisory Committee minutes from June 9, 2022. Motion passed without negative vote.

3. Committee Business

A. Elections (Term September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023)

i. Chair

MOTION: Butz moved, second by Ladwig to approve the re-election of Dresang to his third term as Public Health Advisory Committee Chair for the term of September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023. Motion passed without negative vote.

ii. Vice Chair

MOTION: Dresang moved, second by Ladwig to approve the re-election of Kadow to her third term as Public Health Advisory Committee Vice Chair for the term of September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023. Motion passed without negative vote.

B. Discuss and Consider - Membership Reappointments (Term: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2025)

i. Aurora Medical Center (Provider)

MOTION: Koepsel moved, second by Reich to approve the re-election of Aurora Medical Center as Public Health Advisory Committee Provider member for the term of September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2025. Motion passed without negative vote.

ii. ProHealth Care, Hispanic Health Resource Center (Provider)

MOTION: Koepsel moved, second by Reich to approve the re-election of ProHealth Care, Hispanic Health Resource Center as Public Health Advisory Committee Provider member for the term of September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2025. Motion passed without negative vote.

4. Community Health Improvement Plan and Process (CHIPP)

Jones briefly reviewed the CHIPP timeline and the national model, called Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP), which lead to identifying the County's priority issues. The next step will be for the CHIPP Steering Committee to present the priority issues to their sectors for validation. Once priorities are finalized, community-based action teams will be formed to focus on creating initiatives to address the issues. CHIPP will also be requesting some funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to help pay for some of the initiatives that the action teams suggest.

Dresang added that the CHIPP presentation will be shared in the September or October Public Health Advisory Committee (PHAC) meeting as members of the PHAC will also have valuable insights for this process.

5. Committee and Organizational Updates

A. Health and Human Services Board – HHS Board Liaison

Baer shared that in June, the Board was presented with the Aging and Disability Resource Center's (ADRC) transportation analysis, a presentation from the Adolescent and Family Division, and an overview of the new training tool for newly elected Board Supervisors.

In July, the Board voted to change the status of the Mental Health Center from a 28-bed mental health facility to a 16-bed mental health hospital as well as a Crisis Stabilization Unit. Additionally, the Board heard Ben Jones' presentation on Public Health 3.0. This presentation introduced Public Health 3.0 and highlighted budget shortfalls created through unfunded mandates. The presentation explained why these services are mandated and need financial support. Budget requests from each of the June presentations were approved.

B. Environmental Health Division

Ward discussed updates on enforcement activities for mobile food trucks. Enforcement this year has been a greater challenge due to the increase in licensing over the past four years. Licensing renewals went very well. The division is fully staffed.

C. Aging and Disability Resource Center

There were no updates from the ADRC.

D. Preparedness

Gnadt shared that an online training platform has been approved which will provide staff with more learning opportunities. Preparedness is currently working on emergency drills within the Health and Human Services building. Staffing has been expanded.

6. Public Health Division Reports

- **Staffing**

Jones noted that Women and Infant Children (WIC) is nearly fully staffed now that a position, which had opened through a recent retirement, was filled internally. Public Health Nursing staff has been greatly reduced through retirements and other turnover. Some of the vacant nursing positions have been converted to Disease Investigation Specialists. Many of the remaining open nursing positions are expected to be filled soon and recruiting will continue for positions that are still open. The Strategy Team is filling out and an Epidemiologist will be offered a position soon.

Laatsch added that there will be an On-Call nursing position filled soon and this person will help fill gaps from the open full-time nursing positions.

Jones stated that Public Health is now on the Carroll University Nursing Education Advisory Board which may help nursing students better understand what Public Health Nursing involves.

- **Preparing for the Department of Health Services Chapter 140 Review**

Jones discussed the transition of Public Health from a Level 2 to a Level 3 Health Department. Work is being done in preparation for the review process to make sure the qualifications are met for the Level 3 requirements.

- **Monkeypox Updates**

Jones stated that it is unclear why the United States appears to be a leader in the spread of Monkeypox. It may be due to the quality of disease tracking which is able to identify more cases than other countries have the ability to identify. There is concern with how the spread is being reported in the media which is creating a risk that voluntary reporting will be reduced due to growing stigma. It is important to understand that, in addition to prolonged skin-to-skin contact, the disease can be spread through incidental exposure, such as sharing towels, clothing, or bed sheets used by someone with an active infection.

While vaccine supply remains a massive issue, the danger of death from Monkeypox is extremely low.

- **COVID-19 Updates**

Jones reported that numbers are remaining stable with 115 cases per day as the average. This still places Waukesha County in the red, but it is expected that the County will drop back to yellow. To get down to green, there needs to be fewer than 800 cases and 40 hospitalizations within a 7-day period.

Flu season is expected to be more challenging this year, and when combined with COVID, there is some concern for elevated illness risks in the upcoming season.

Gnadt added that testing facilities around the County have reported only slight increases in testing and are no where near being overwhelmed by demand.

Jones concluded with the message that the public generally knows what to do to avoid spreading disease. The state is expected to release a “Good, Better, and Best” model for disease mitigation in schools. New boosters are expected for the fall and will probably contain protection from multiple COVID strains.

7. Agency Reports

Butz shared that ProHealth Care has seen a slight increase in COVID cases.

Considering the workforce challenges, ProHealth is focusing outreach to high school students and looking to use innovative recruitment efforts moving forward.

The Mukwonago location is ramping up surgical services. More providers are being added at the Waterford location. More urgent care facilities have been opened around the County.

ProHealth is easing back into community outreach and priority community needs have been identified. ProHealth has been given approval to implement the UniteUs platform to aid in connecting patients to resources within the community. By the end of 2023, Medicare will begin to require screening for Social Determinants of Health upon patient discharge.

Kadow discussed recent updates from the ProHealth Care Hispanic Resource Center (HRC). This non-revenue producing branch of the ProHealth hospital system provides community services (other than legal services) to Waukesha County residents. In October, the HRC will have a Spanish-speaking therapist available in the office.

The HRC runs a gardening program for the aging population called Forever Young, a six-session virtual program for families caring for family members with dementia and provides car seats and booster seats at low or no-cost. Additionally, culturally competent health-centered education regarding high blood pressure, vaccination, and other topics is available through the HRC. Spanish-language social media messaging and radio spots have been developed to advertise local health initiatives, including those of other community agencies.

8. Agency Announcements and Updates

There were no agency announcements or updates.

9. Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Community Action Coalition Presentation
- Unfunded mandates

10. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

11. Adjournment

MOTION: Koepsel moved, second by Ladwig to adjourn at 9:25 a.m. Motion passed without negative vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tristin Bruno.

Minutes Were Approved: _____ Date: _____

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we have a fresh, new outlook



new logo

Community Action Coalition (cac) is a nonprofit working to end poverty and help people live better lives. Our new logo is inspired by a thumbprint. The thumbprint metaphor represents our client and community individuality as well as our shared humanity in the work to end poverty. The chevron in the design represents the three counties CAC serves Dane, Jefferson and Waukesha.

What We Do

We work to transform systems so that all people can achieve social and economic security.

How We Do It

We're collaborators who apply innovative, targeted strategies to identify and serve the areas of greatest need.

Why We Do It

We believe that food and housing insecurity are public health crises. Everyone deserves a place to call home and food on the table.

housing security

We start here because all people deserve a place to call home.

Our case managers can help find stable and reliable shelter for people without homes and those facing threats to their housing. We help low-income families and individuals get back on their feet and access a higher quality of life.

Working within the rental housing market, we aim to solve your housing needs. While we don't own rental property or have programs for home ownership, we're sensitive to the specific needs of individuals and families. We work hard to provide you with the right housing assistance.



food security

We won't rest until there's food on every table.

Our food assistance programs create access to nutrition for people in the greatest need. We provide food to food pantries at zero cost, while our Gleaners program helps restaurants and grocers redirect their unused food to hungry community members.

Through Double Dollars, people with low income can access fresh, locally grown food at farmers markets. Our holistic approach helps us do the most good.



essential resources

When others step out, we step in to help people thrive.

We offer financial literacy courses, educational attainment resources and career services, in addition to our long-standing winter clothing drive program. By helping people become their best selves, we're building a stronger community.



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putting action back into community, 2021 highlights

Information is based on internal program reports for the period of 1/1/21-12/31/21

unduplicated individuals served	35,409	individual contacts	424,908
unduplicated households served	6,694	household contacts	80,328



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Housing resource and referral
 Dane CORE 2.0
 Supportive Services for Veteran Families
 Emergency Hotel Stays (up to 45 days)
 Homeless Housing Services (HUD/ESG)

Reach

50,347 Individuals assisted
 1,048 HH/ \$4,158,841 in direct aid
 209 HH
 68 Individuals
 35 HH obtained permanent housing



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Free food delivered to area feeding agencies (pantries, shelters, senior centers, etc.)
 Senior Food Boxes
 Food recovered from landfills/gleaned
 Double Dollars/EBT benefits

130,496 HH /370,913 Individuals
 2,928 Boxes Distributed
 339,194 lbs of food gleaned
 2075 HH/ \$97,000 in sales to local farmers

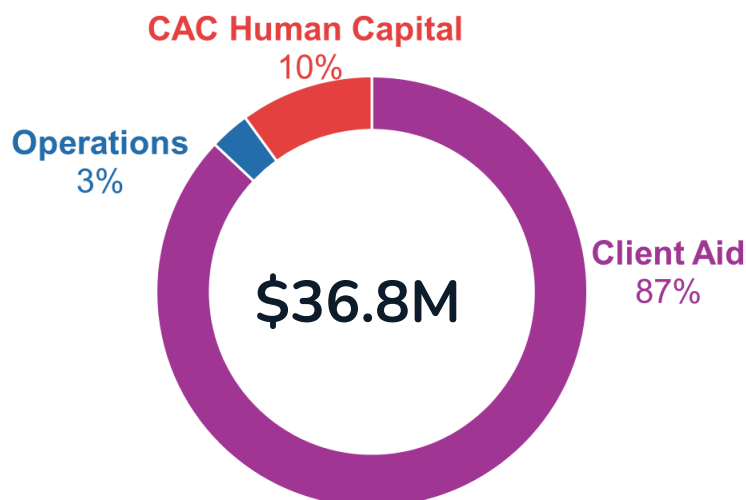


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Winter Glow- Coats distributed
 Home good boxes distributed
 Toiletry Boxes distributed
 Clothing vouchers distributed

2,757 Individuals
 106 HH
 106 HH
 761 HH

2022 Budget Breakdown



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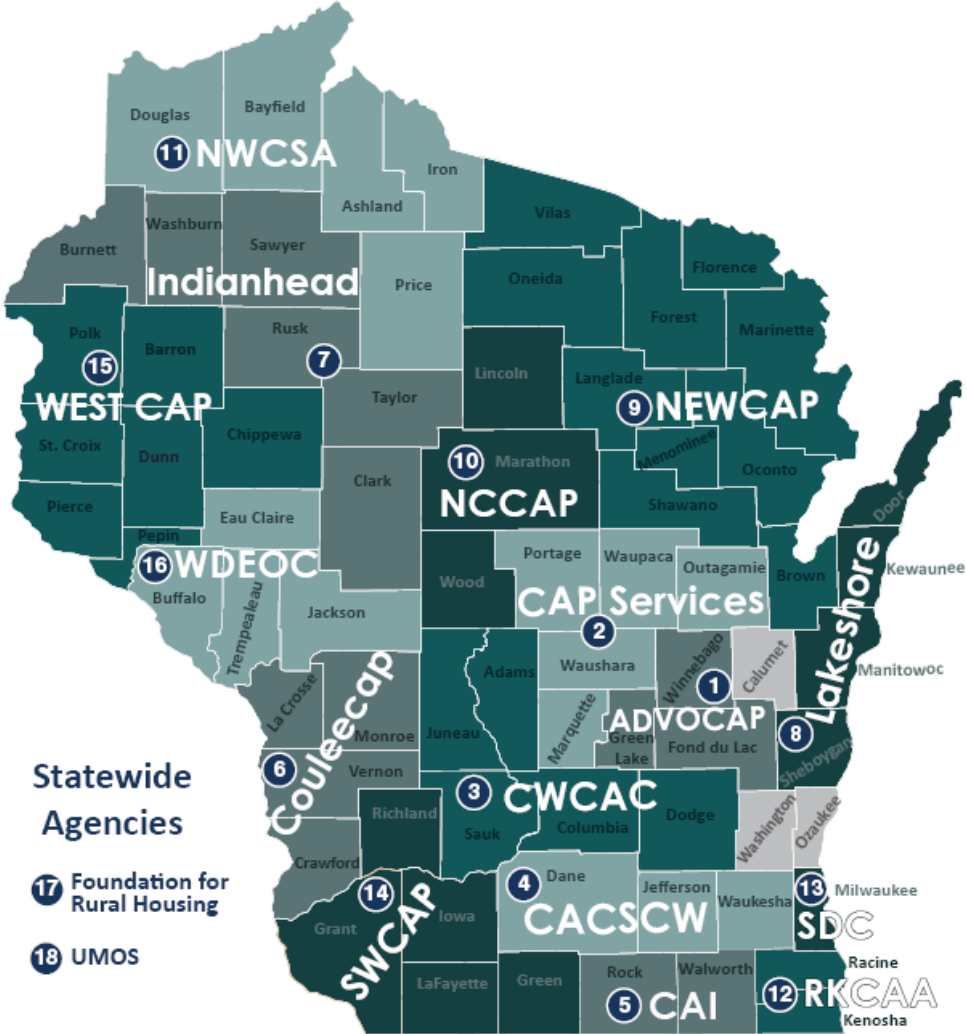
programs & services



about CAC

Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin is a nonprofit working to end poverty and help people live better lives.

Serving Dane, Jefferson and Waukesha Counties



community action in practice

Waukesha County Appointments

Larry Nelson, Waukesha County

Jennifer Andrews, City of Waukesha

Low-Income Sector Representative

Jennifer Rowedder, HAC and Hebron House

Private Sector Representatives

Samantha Wendt, Board President

Betty Groenewold, SOFIA





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community needs assessment findings

- Paying for affordable housing
 - Finding safe, affordable housing
 - Purchasing or refinancing a home
 - Paying for utility bills
- Accessing affordable substance use or AODA services
- Accessing affordable mental healthcare
- Accessing affordable transportation (car, bus, taxi, bike, etc.)
 - Public Transportation

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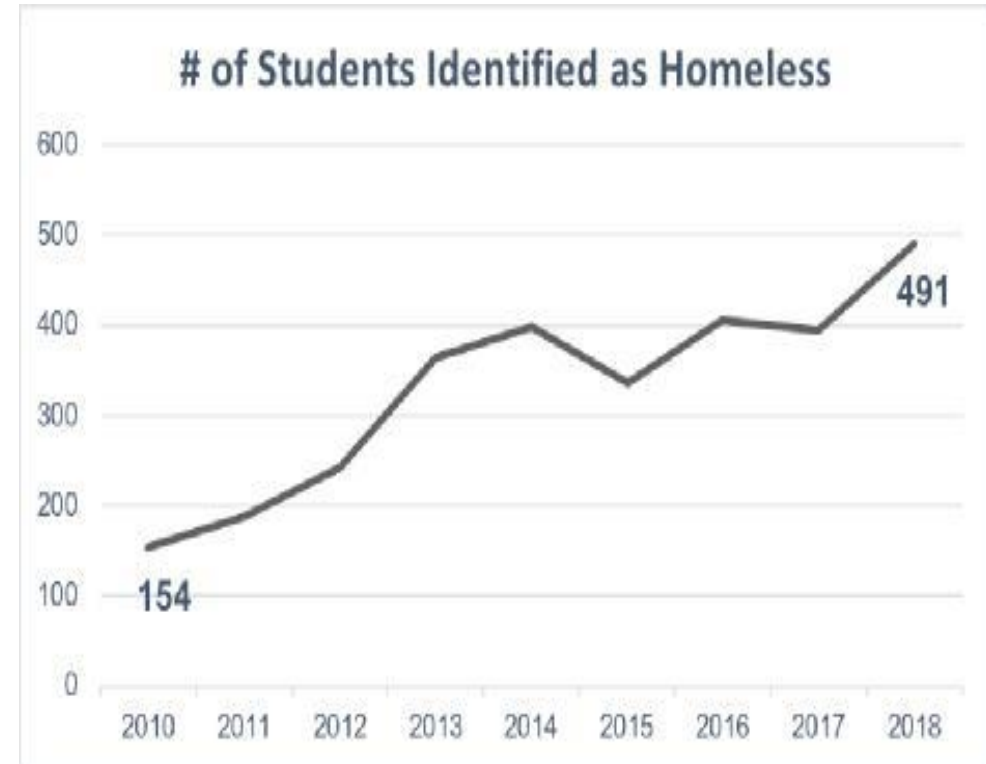
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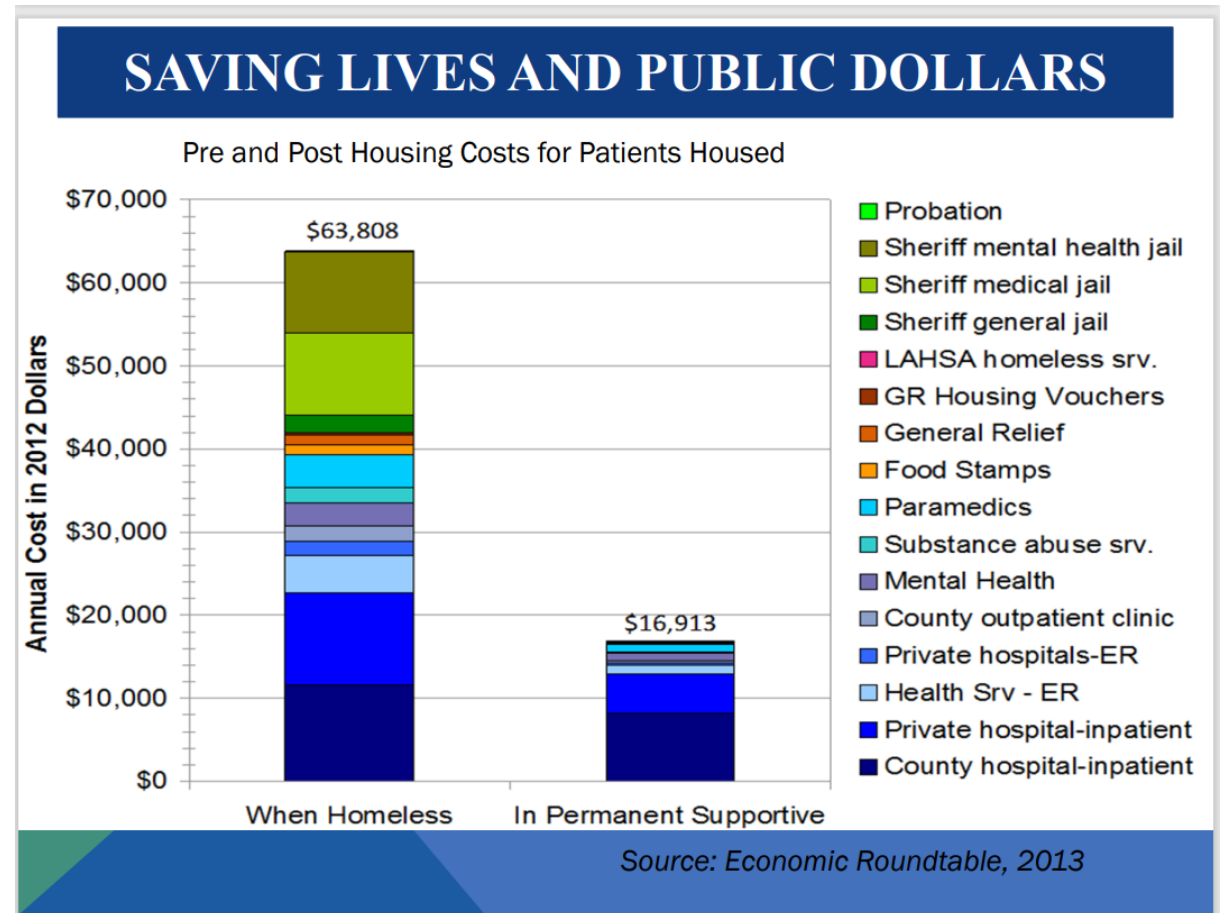
youth homelessness in Waukesha

- One of the growing disparities present in the city of Waukesha is the increasing rates of homelessness among k-12 students and young families. Since the great recession, the number of students experiencing homelessness across the county has nearly doubled, representing a **218% increase** over the last eight years.
- In a typical year, the Housing Action Coalition reaches about 700 individuals through Coordinated Entry; however, that rose to over 1,000 individuals and families during COVID-19.



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- Providing barrier free housing to unhoused individuals saves \$19 per \$1 spent.
- Supports community mental health and wellbeing.
- Actually reduces homelessness.



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food system transformation



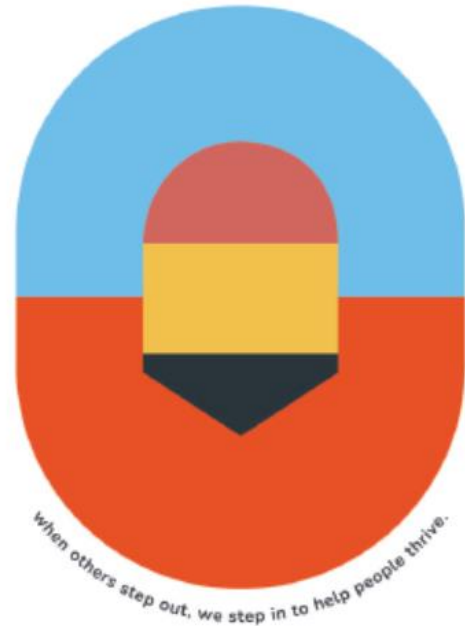
Through Double Dollars, people with low income can access fresh, locally grown food at farmers markets. Our holistic approach helps us do the most good.

CAC manages:

- client reimbursement to local markets
- client benefits (match up to \$25)
- reporting to DHS
- training for local farmers market and area providers

For every dollar spent, the DD program generates \$5-6 in local economic activity.

essential resources



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Save the Date

Thursday, March 16
Brookfield Conference Center

**free training for area social
service and public health
providers in
Waukesha County**

**Ask about sponsorship
opportunities!**



Join us!

Reach hundreds of area families at our 37th annual Winter Glow!

**HAC overflow shelter
1210 Sentry Drive,
Waukesha**

**Friday, November 11
12-6pm**

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who we are

CAC exists to push back on poverty. Our organization was born out of the War on Poverty, and that purpose motivates us to this day. But while we've been around for five decades, we're committed to evolving the way we work to help people live better lives

What we do



Housing Security

Because all people deserve a place to call home.



Food Security

Because all people deserve to have food on the table.



Essential Resources

Because all people deserve a chance to thrive.

Program requirements vary. To find out if you qualify for a program or service call, email, or apply on our website.



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program and service information

we give people the tools to thrive

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Emergency Rental Assistance - Dane CORE 2.0

Renters impacted by COVID-19 can apply to receive 15-18 months of back owed rent payments, and/or security deposit to obtain housing.

Eligibility: Households with income at or below 80% of their county's median income.

How to apply for assistance? Apply online at www.cacscw.org/dane-core. Application processing time is approximately 6 weeks.

Renters outside of Dane County can apply at www.wiscap.org/wera

Emergency Mortgage Assistance - Wisconsin Help for Homeowners

Homeowners impacted by COVID_19 can apply to receive up to \$40,000 in eligible mortgage related expenses.

Eligibility: Households with income at or below 100% of their county's median income; homeowner-occupied primary residence; AND delinquent on mortgage, home insurance, property taxes, utilities, or Homeowner Association payments after January 21, 2020.

How to apply for assistance? Apply online at www.cacscw.org/wisconsin-help-for-homeowners-program.

Housing First

Emergency and permanent housing solutions for individuals, families and veterans experiencing homelessness. CAC offers several programs to prevent and solve homelessness.

Eligibility: Chronically homeless individuals who meet the HUD requirements; People who are literally homeless, in shelter or at imminent risk of homelessness; Unaccompanied youth under 25 years; People fleeing domestic violence AND/OR Low-Income Housing Insecure Veterans.

How to apply for assistance? Applications are accepted via the county-based coordinated entry process. To access coordinated entry in Jefferson and Waukesha County contact us by phone, email or at one of our offices. People Dane County should contact Porchlight at (608) 257-2534.

Any Veteran in need of assistance should call (608) 237-1255 and press 2.



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We work as case managers to find stable and reliable shelter for people without homes and those facing threats to their housing. Across three different counties, we focus on developing custom solutions that not only help individuals and families get back on their feet but allow them to access a higher quality of life.

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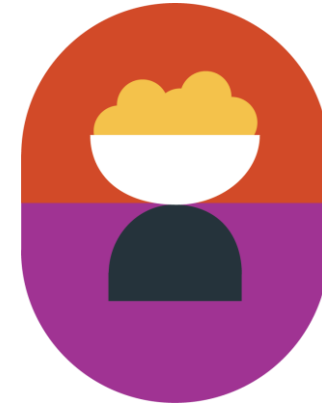


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CAC stockbox

program and service information

we give people the tools to thrive

CAC Stockbox

program and service information



What is the CAC stockbox?

The stockbox offers low-income older adults a large box of monthly food. The food in the box can vary and includes dry cereal, canned chicken, shelf-stable milk, peanut butter or beans, pasta or rice, and cans of fruit and vegetables. Boxes also come with a two-pound package of cheese that requires refrigeration. Each box meets the federal nutritional standards for people aged 60 and older.

Who is eligible?

People age 60+ who have incomes at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$17,667	\$1,473	\$340
2	\$23,803	\$1,984	\$458
3	\$29,939	\$2,495	\$576
4	\$36,075	\$3,007	\$694
5	\$42,211	\$3,518	\$812
6	\$48,347	\$4,029	\$930
7	\$54,483	\$4,541	\$1,048
8	\$60,619	\$5,052	\$1,166
Additional member	\$6,136	\$512	\$118

How to get a stockbox?

Learn more about the stockbox at a participating pantry near you, or by contacting CAC by phone, email, or our online application.

To find a participating pantry near you go to www.cacscw.org/stockbox



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Staff Story: Difficult choices and how the CAC pantry box can help!

“A 74-year-old homebound client once told me he had one can of soup left. He showed it to me and said he hasn’t eaten in three days! He said he’s saving the soup until he *really* needs it.

We were able to help him enroll in CAC’s stockbox through his local food pantry and give him food that day. Now he receives a monthly box of 20-30 pounds of diverse and nutritious shelf stable easy-to-make FREE food along with a huge block of cheese.”

~shared by CAC staff member

Food insecurity can look very different for each individual or family. Whether driven by mobility issues, income loss, emergency, or bad luck- **at CAC we believe all people deserve to have food on the table.**



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summer shine program

FREE personal care products
backpacks & cleaning
supplies are available!

Join us and stock up on these **FREE** essential
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- guests can receive (1) box of home goods per household
- backpacks and school supplies
- boxes contain cleaners, toiletries and household products

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waukesha county events:

WCTC

July 18th - 1-4PM

327 E. Broadway
Waukesha, WI 53186

Hartland South Elementary

August 15th - 1-4PM

651 E. Imperial Dr.
Hartland, WI 53029

WCTC

September 19th - 1-4PM

327 E. Broadway
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**visit our website for
additional dates, locations,
and updates**

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