Many Community Action Programs are made possible by private donations and funding from United Way.

Dedicated to People & Communities

At Community Action we provide access and opportunity for those we serve and those who support our efforts. Through innovative programs and strong community partnerships we eliminate barriers, establishing clear pathways to economic self-reliance.

Since 1965, Community Action has worked hard every day to achieve this mission, by reducing poverty that already exists in our communities, and preventing it from happening to local families and individuals in the first place.

Community Contributions are Critical

Community Action’s funding comes from a variety of sources, with gifts of financial support from individuals, families, churches, organizations, businesses, foundations, and the United Way playing a critical role.

If you or someone you know is interested in contributing to Community Action’s mission, please contact us today. All financial gifts play extremely valuable roles in helping us fight and prevent poverty in our local communities. No gift is too small in helping us do our work.

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Five things that set us apart

1. We secure and invest more resources to fight poverty in Rock & Walworth Counties than any other not-for-profit organization. Each year, we Invest approximately $10 million in our communities.

2. We are a 100% local and independent organization, with entirely local leadership who are focused on our communities’ unique local challenges. No national parent organization sets our agenda.

3. We help people by empowering them with opportunities to help themselves; focusing on long-term benefits, not quick fixes.

4. We provide people and our communities with solutions to a wide spectrum of poverty problems, rather than focus on one single issue. To achieve this, we offer several programs in Rock & Walworth Counties.

5. By reducing poverty’s negative impacts, which affect us all, we make our communities a better place to live for every person in them.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Community actioninc.
creating pathways out of poverty

Rock County Office

20 Eclipse Center, Beloit, WI 53511
(608) 313-1300 Fax: (608) 364-0513

Walworth County Office

1545 Hobbs Drive, Delavan, WI 53115
(262) 728-8296 Fax: (262) 728-8294

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Community Action, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer/program with auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Please dial 711 to be connected to a local TDD/TTY service to get in touch with Community Action.

Community Action is an equal opportunity provider.

For discrimination complaints concerning Wisconsin’s protected classes, first contact the regional TEFAP Coordinator, Judy Madsen, at the 262-728-8296 ext. 202. If the issue cannot be resolved, contact the TEFAP Coordinator, Wisconsin Department of Health & Family Services, Division of Public Health, 1 W. Wilson Street, PO Box 8916, Madison, WI 53708 or call (608) 267-9071.
community action’s volunteer opportunities

You can help families in need

**Community Action, Inc.** operates approximately 20 anti-poverty programs in Rock and Walworth counties. There are many ways to find yourself living in poverty, and there are many ways out of poverty.

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**Rock County Office**
20 Eclipse Center, Beloit

The Community Action Pathways Center hosts a dozen programs that work together with the Beloit community to support individuals working toward economic self-reliance.

- **Mentoring:** An academic program for teens, volunteers are welcome to come help in the computer lab, the childcare room and help with homework during the school year.
- **Special events:** We rely on fundraisers and awareness events to support our programs. Help is needed on event committees and during the events.
- **Reception and office work:** Assist staff with day-to-day operations.

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**Community Sharing Garden**
1322 Porter Avenue, Beloit

April through October, help Merrill neighbors plant, weed and harvest produce from the garden.

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**Walworth County Office**
1545 Hobbs Drive, Delavan

- **Reception and office work**
- **Repair** and maintenance of facilities
- **Lead a workshop** for participants

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**Twin Oaks Shelter for the Homeless**
W9665 Highway 14, Darien

As Walworth County’s only 24/7 emergency homeless shelter, we rely on volunteers to supplement staff time.

- **Regular shifts at the shelter office**
- **Lead workshops** related to landlord-tenant relationships, budgeting, employment, alcohol and drug awareness and mental health
- **Specialized repair** or maintenance of facilities
- **Organize workdays** for your organization

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**AWARE in Evansville**
209 South 1st Street, Evansville, WI

AWARE is a grassroots program created in 1998 to address the needs of Evansville’s growing low-income population. AWARE’s services benefit struggling families, seniors and disabled adults who reside within the Evansville School District.

- **Sort donations** at various distributions
- **Staff our booth** at community fairs
- **Ring bells** during the Red Kettle Campaign

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**Community Kids Learning Center**
2230 Center Ave, Janesville, WI

Community Kids creates opportunities for children to have the quality early education that is a foundation for continued academic success and economic self-reliance.

- **Chaperone** field trips
- **Tutoring/Reading** in the classroom
- **Reception and office work**

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**The Platinum Rule**

Many are familiar with the Golden Rule: Treat others as you want to be treated. At Community Action, we practice the **Platinum Rule:** treat others as they want to be treated.

We believe respect has a unique meaning for each individual. We move away from the “our way is the best way” perspective to a more inclusive view.

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**SIGN ME UP!**

Contact Beth Tallon, Public Relations Mgr.
(608) 313-1319  btallon@community-action.org

Or fill out an online application under the “Give” tab at www.community-action.org