

Community Action Month

Helping People - Changing Lives May 2018



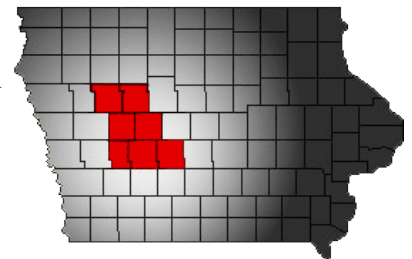
What is Community Action?

In 1964, The Great Society, as envisioned by President Lyndon Johnson, was a sweeping plan to improve the lives of all Americans, regardless of their circumstances. Inspired by President Kennedy and his New Frontier, Johnson pledged to fulfill his promise of equal opportunity for all by enacting several comprehensive changes within the federal government. In August of that same year, the Economic Opportunity Act was signed into law by President Johnson creating the nationwide Community Action Network.



Today, the Community Action Network is nationwide and serves urban, rural, and suburban communities in 99% of US counties. There are 17 Community Action agencies that serve all 99 counties in Iowa.

New Opportunities is one of the 17 Community Action agencies in Iowa that serves 7 counties in West Central Iowa! Audubon, Calhoun, Carroll, Dallas, Greene, Guthrie and Sac Counties.



Together across our nation Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) empowers states and local communities to take the lead on poverty, emphasizing locally determined solutions to unique local needs.

THE PROMISE OF COMMUNITY ACTION

Community Action **changes** people's lives, embodies the **spirit of hope**, **improves** communities, and makes America **a better place to live**. We care about the **entire community**, and we are dedicated to **helping people help themselves and each other**.



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