Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. (CAADC) has continued to provide essential services to the residents of Delaware County during the COVID-19 Pandemic. CAADC has already secured millions of dollars in grants and donations to help the residents of Delaware County. CAADC has been at the forefront providing emergency housing services to the homeless. In addition, CAADC has provided food assistance to many families. The Agency has also continued to provide workforce development initiatives. CAADC is assessing how it will be able to help residents with rent and utility assistance as those issues begin to affect households. All of CAADC’s services are provided utilizing safe work practices, including personal protection equipment (PPE) as necessary, to deter the spread of COVID-19.

CAADC is a primary provider of basic needs in Delaware County. Please see other examples of how we serve our neighbors.

CAADC is anticipating raising over $8 million dollars to help thousands of families affected financially by COVID-19.

Did You Know?

CAADC provides food assistance through a variety of programs.

CAADC provides Rental and Utility Assistance so families can maintain a stable, safe and healthy home.

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How You Can Help

Please consider supporting CAADC by making a contribution through the United Way. Simply designate CAADC and include our number (#06194) on your United Way Donor Choice form.

- United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey

On behalf of those we serve, thank you for your support.
During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Delaware County has continued to show what a caring community it is as residents and staff have stepped up to help its neighbors and those less fortunate during these difficult times. We truly appreciate all the help!!!

Women of Harmony Executive Director, Karen Peterson, donated food and cleaning supplies to the Wesley House.

A resident of the Life Center helped to manage donations and the kitchen when restrictions were put into place.

CAADC has helped many families during the Pandemic with food assistance.

Roderick and Deborah Brooks donated food to the Wesley House Shelter.

CAADC’s Rapid Re-Housing staff continued to work during the Pandemic remotely and safely helping residents to secure and maintain stable housing.

Sarah Cunningham donated 36 handmaid masks for residents of the Wesley House.

CAADC has received many COVID-19 donations and grants already. Thank you to the below for their support!

- PA Department of Community and Economic Development
- Foundation for Delaware County
- Delaware County
- PECO
- Philadelphia Foundation
- Project W—The Community’s Foundation
- Delaware County
- Bancorp
- City of Chester
- Upper Darby Township
- Haverford Township
- WaWa Foundation
- U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs
- Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania
- Delaware County
- PA Department of Environmental Protection
- PA Head Start State Collaborative Office
- Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency
- Thomas H. and Mary Williams Shoemaker Fund
- Family and Community Service of Delaware County
- Delaware County Department of Human Services
- Office of Housing and Urban Development
- Delaware County Office of Housing and Community Development

Thank you as well for the many individual donations and anyone we might have missed!
Recent Development Activity

CAADC has been fortunate to receive the following private contributions from the community: Fox & Roach/Trident Charities supported the Life Center with a donation of $1,732. Overbrook Presbyterian Church supported the Life Center with a $1,000 donation. Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. supported CAADC with a $1,000 donation. Congregation Ohev Shalom supported the Recreational Therapy Summer Program with a $600 donation. The Life Center received a $1,000 donation from the Bobby Bonds Memorial Foundation. Reformation Lutheran Church provided a $500 donation to CAADC. First Presbyterian Church Springfield donated $635 to the Life Center. Maple Presbyterian Church donated $500 to support CAADC’s programs.

Employment Services for Individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder

Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. was recently awarded a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) to provide employment support services for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD). CAADC has partnered with Educational Data Systems, Inc. (EDSI) to provide support to Delaware County residents in recovery from the Opioid Use Disorder through the Employment Bound Program.

The Employment Bound Program will help reintegrate individuals in recovery with OUD into the workforce by providing assistance to obtain and retain employment. Program participants will be provided with intensive case management, job readiness training, life skills workshops, assistance with employment search and counseling after employment has been achieved.

This project is just one of fourteen grants that were approved in the state with federal funding coming from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). In his recent press release, Governor Tom Wolf stated “We have not lost focus on the continuing opioid crisis in Pennsylvania. And now more than ever, employment services are vital to help people struggling during the pandemic with the loss of a job or need to find employment. These grants will help those with substance abuse disorder have a better chance of recovery by helping to access employment.”

If interested in participating or for more information, please contact Lynn Jones at Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. at (610) 874-8451 or ljones@caadc.org.
CAADC Making Homes Safer with Lead Paint Hazard Control Program

Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. (CAADC) is now accepting applications for the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program. In this program, qualifying families who have a child age 5 or under may qualify for new windows and other repairs to help remediate lead paint hazards. Income eligibility guidelines do apply. Once an application is received, CAADC staff meets with the applicant to explain the program in detail and to discuss the hazard of lead-based paint in the home. Next, a lead audit is performed by a licensed firm. A report is prepared showing where lead paint exists in the home. CAADC then prepares a Scope of Work detailing the steps that will be taken to remove or reduce the lead to acceptable levels. This may include replacing doors and windows, installing new drywall, replacing trim and moldings, etc. When the renovations are complete, another lead audit is performed to be sure that all lead has been removed or reduced to acceptable levels. A copy of the final report, along with educational materials related to lead hazards, is then given to the family. All of the services are free if the family is determined eligible.

Edward T. Coleman, CAADC CEO, urges, "This program can make your home safer and keep your children healthy."

For more information or to receive an application, call (610) 833-4442. This program is funded by the Delaware County Office of Housing and Community Development and Lawrence County Community Action Partnership.