



Community Action Agency, Inc.

We provide support services that improve the community and encourage self-reliance.



2006 Annual Report—Exceeding Expectations!



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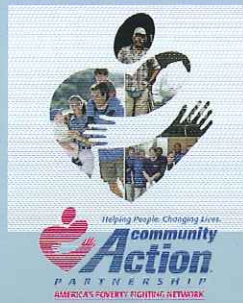
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Why Change our Name?

To acknowledge the nationwide network of Community Action Agencies, we changed our name to Pace Community Action Agency, Inc.

Community Action Agencies are America's largest poverty fighting network and were originally designed to work through an alliance of local organizations to "revitalize communities and empower low-income families and individuals to become fully self-supporting."

We have returned our focus to the original course. With this, we are re-committed to improving our communities and helping others *OUT* of poverty. We will concentrate on joining forces with community businesses, leaders, faith-based groups, and others in affecting community change.



Head Start Celebrates 40 Years!



Head Start children, teachers and Executive Director, Bertha Proctor, release 40 anniversary balloons..

During its 40 year history Head Start has served over 12,000 children! The program, which was the first of its kind in the state, began in Vincennes with five classrooms and 74 children. Now 40 years later, the Head Start program has 19 classrooms, 437 children, and has expanded to Daviess, Greene and Sullivan Counties.



Pace Recognized for Project Lift



PACE was awarded one of five Spotlight Awards from the Indiana Community Action Association (IN-CAA), the Indiana University School of Social Work and the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA).



The award recognizes innovative practices, and was given to PACE for the creation of **Project Lift**. Project Lift is designed to help those that are working to help themselves. The program's purpose is to prevent families from falling backwards due to emergencies.



Bertha A. Proctor
Executive Director

"I have the audacity to believe that people everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies; education and culture for their minds, and dignity, quality, and freedom for their spirits. I believe that what self-centered men have torn down, other centered men, can build up."

-Martin Luther King, Jr.



Message from the Director



*In 2006, we exceeded the expectations of many – in **many** areas. A renewed passion for our purpose has resulted in expanded services in the communities we serve. We have a **FOCUS** on building leaders at all levels - with our staff, the children, individuals and families. These efforts improve our communities!*

Detailed information about our agency services is provided on our website. Please take a moment to peruse www.pacecaa.org. You'll find that community donations and volunteer services have increased. Many are realizing the affects of our services and getting on board - working to improve our community.

Our dedicated Board of Directors is especially responsible for utilizing their expertise and foresight to make things happen:

- ★ Approval of funding from our Annual Fund for scholarships and **Project Lift**
- ★ Development of a C-Corp. for Pace Business Ventures
- ★ Endorsing consulting agreements utilizing staff expertise

Thanks to all of our friends, supporters, donors, and devoted staff for making 2006 a year that exceeded my expectations. We're now in 2007 and have expectation for more improvements that positively affect children, families and our communities!



Making an Impact



- ★ **433** children **exceeded** the national averages in early language and reading skills.
- ★ **2,554** individuals were **empowered** with skills to reduce their home energy costs.
- ★ **2,460** children's health and physical development were **improved** as a result of nutritionally balanced meals.
- ★ **4,114** individuals took **personal responsibility** for their health in our clinics.
- ★ **8,815** individuals **improved** living conditions through weatherization/energy services.
- ★ **18,645** persons were **educated** in community resources available to them.



Community Partnerships Result in New Start for Mother and Daughter



A young mother living in an abusive relationship was referred to us for help.

We connected her to the **Greene County Housing Authority** for subsidized housing. Through our **Project Lift Program**, we shared the cost with the mother and the **Middle Way House** to establish her utility service account.

To prevent an energy crisis, we educated her on energy-saving measures and provided **Energy Assistance**.

In addition, we learned that she was receiving help from **Four Rivers**

Resource Services in resume preparation and job searching.

She was interested in obtaining her GED, so another connection was made with the **Greene County Literacy Coalition**; and information was provided about group GED classes through **WorkOne**. A further referral to the **Family Life Center** assisted this client in furnishing her home and making other valuable connections to provide for herself and her daughter.

She is well on her way to a life of independence in a **safe** environment.



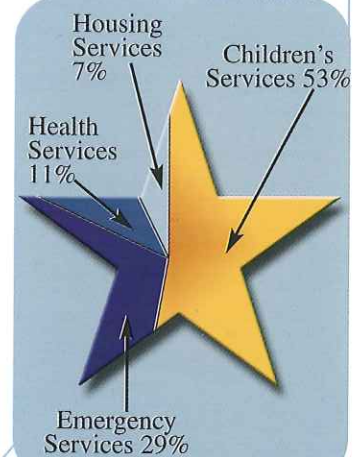
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Financial impact in our community:



- **150 full/part time employees**
- **\$3,024,885 - Payroll**
- **\$7,669,163 - Goods and services purchased from community vendors**



Financial Highlights



	<u>Number Served</u>	<u>Funds Expended in 2006</u>
Energy Assistance	4828	\$ 2,175,902
Emergency Assistance/Project Lift	300	\$ 22,191
Emergency Food & Shelter	253	\$ 32,789
Health Connection	4043	\$ 626,952
Women, Infants & Children (WIC)	2755	\$ 200,473
Weatherization	62	\$ 383,914
Home Rehabilitation	2	\$ 115,151
Lead Safe Partnership	530	\$ 16,853
Healthy Families	118	\$ 224,551
Head Start	433	\$ 3,324,502
Early Head Start	58	\$ 554,867
Dave & Jennifer Skinner Fund	24	\$ 1,018
Total:		\$7,669,163

"Remember, we all stumble, every one of us. That's why it's a comfort to go hand in hand."

-Emily Kimbrough



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Volunteers, young and old, make a profound difference to PACE. They play a vital role in our ability to provide programs and services.

During 2006, volunteers donated over 57,000 hours of service!

In addition, over \$870,475 of in-kind was donated, including property, clothing, supplies, rental fees and more.

We are profoundly grateful for the community support we receive!



Participants Respond With Thanks!

"We just want to take time to say thank you very much for making it possible to get help with all the household items and hygiene. It truly helps us a lot. "God Bless & again, thanks!"



"Just a little note to thank you for giving my child such a great start in her education. The excitement, fun, patience and knowledge that you brought each & every visit will surely stay with her through the years. In the beginning, I wasn't quite sure about the home based program, but by the end of the first visit I knew we were blessed and am now a huge fan of the program. It takes a special person to be a great teacher & you've definitely got what it takes! We are very thankful to have had you in our lives even for just a short time."