Creating Local Opportunities for Economic Self-Sufficiency

in Wisconsin

Community Action
 Helping Rural Communities

SKILLS has proven to be a cost-effective investment that increased the earnings of Wisconsin's working poor.

HELPING LOW WAGE WORKERS GET BETTER JOBS AND BENEFITS

2008 Program Highlights:

$11 million - Local
$2.2 million - Private
$34.2 million - State
$125 million - Federal

Key Issues:

- 44% are people of color
- 56% are white
- 60% are female
- 13% are over 55
- 43% are in the labor force
- 10% are homeless
- 80% are below the Federal Poverty Level
- 73% of those residents...

The Community Action Programs Empower low-wage workers through various initiatives like job training and education, and economic opportunity. Wisconsin's Community Action Programs (CAPs) are working to address the problems of poverty and create economic opportunity for Wisconsin residents and their communities. Every year, the Community Action Network identifies needs to identify their goals to work with local governments, with a focus on addressing poverty and creating economic opportunities. Science, education, and economic opportunity are critical to small communities and rural areas.

Every year, the Wisconsin Community Action Program Association (WISCAP) publishes the report "Breaking Poverty in Wisconsin," providing local boards of directors with an annual update on the progress of the Wisconsin Community Action Programs (CAPs). For more information, contact WISCAP at 608-278-5541 or visit www.wisconsin.gov/communityaction.
Creating Jobs and Businesses

The Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) is an essential driver for economic growth in Wisconsin. WHEDA works with communities and partners to create more jobs, drive business growth, and improve quality of life for Wisconsin residents. Through a variety of programs, WHEDA helps develop and preserve affordable housing, finance economic development projects, and support businesses.

Advancing Food Security

In a year of exceptional weather conditions, Wisconsin FoodShare participants continue to report high satisfaction with their program benefits. The program has seen a 40% increase in enrollment since 2019, with over 700,000 households receiving assistance.

Green Jobs, Weatherization, and Energy Efficiency

Wisconsin's green economy continues to grow, with over 40,000 jobs in renewable energy sectors. The state is a leader in solar, wind, and geothermal power, with over 2 gigawatts of installed capacity.

Providing Safe and Affordable Housing

With over 15,000 units of affordable housing developed or preserved in 2022, Wisconsin remains a leader in providing safe and affordable housing for all. WHEDA works closely with local governments and partners to ensure that every Wisconsin family has access to quality housing.
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The Wisconsin Community Action Program (WISCAP) 20/20 provides an opportunity to analyze our successes and challenges, and to reflect on the future of the program. WISCAP is a non-profit organization that provides services to low-income families to help them become self-sufficient. The program is funded by the State of Wisconsin and the federal government. WISCAP provides services such as education, job training, and financial assistance. The program has been in operation for 35 years and has served thousands of families. WISCAP aims to empower families to become self-sufficient and improve their quality of life. The program provides services to families in need and helps them achieve their goals.