



Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation

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“OACAC enriches the lives of families and individuals within our communities by providing opportunities, offering assistance, and empowering people to make a positive change.”

OACAC SERVICES AND GOALS

Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation (OACAC) was established in 1965 as a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of the impoverished living in Southwest Missouri. OACAC provides a wide range of services designed to help low income families achieve self-sufficiency and stability. OACAC serves a ten county area; Barry, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Greene, Lawrence, Polk, Stone, Taney and Webster. OACAC sponsors seven programs:

Head Start - a pre-school experience for children, aged four to five, from income eligible families. Children are taught to have positive attitudes about themselves and their learning and children also receive dental and health screenings. Full and part-time services may be available. Expanded services include child-care for children birth to three and services for pregnant women. **417-864-3430**

Neighborhood Centers— located in each of the ten counties OACAC serves. Community projects and activities are designed to eliminate the six conditions of poverty. OACAC also offers help for families in crisis. Emergency rent, food and clothing may be available at many of the Neighborhood Centers. **417-447-0554 (Greene County Center)**

Housing Assistance - subsidizes rent for income-eligible households making it possible for them to live in a home which is decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable. Available in the ten counties OACAC serves, except within the Springfield city limits. **417-864-3444**

Family Planning - offering reproductive health care for women including yearly exams, health screenings, birth control and STD screening and treatment on a sliding scale fee. **417-864-3410**

Foster Grandparents - a volunteer program for low income senior citizens, who are 55 years of age or older, which provides an hourly stipend to seniors for time spent volunteering with at-risk children in the community. Volunteers work with students at local non-profit agencies and schools. **417-864-3420**

Weatherization - provides free service to income eligible homeowners or renters to make their home more energy efficient. **417-865-7797**

Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) - offers two programs; Energy Assistance provides a one-time payment for assistance with winter heating costs for income eligible households. Energy Crisis Intervention provides relief for eligible households to alleviate an energy-related crisis during the winter and summer months.

Energy Assistance- 417-864-3460

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