

PLANTING SEEDS OF  
**OPPORTUNITY**

Community Action Partnership of Orange County  
2012 Annual Report



# Dear Friends,

On behalf of Community Action Partnership of Orange County, we are deeply grateful for the friends, opportunities, and partnerships that have helped to change the lives of those less fortunate. Our team has provided hope and resources to our programs, thus changing the conditions that contribute to hunger and poverty. Community Action Partnership of Orange County achieved great results because you cared and provided us with the tools to help people help themselves and each other. Our Board of Directors continues to be astounded by agency staff for their dedication and innovation in their work with program participants, and we embrace and salute the thousands of volunteers who donated their free time to help others.

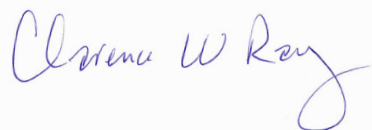
As we look back on 2012, there is so much to celebrate in spite of the reality that for many people it was a very difficult year. Throughout this annual report, you will see examples of our amazing accomplishments.

In the upcoming years, our organization will be kicking off our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary campaign, Planting Seeds of Opportunity, to draw attention to the growth and impact of the Community Action movement in our community. In turn, we will seek to improve our community over the next 50 years and make Orange County a better place to live with your continued support.

How do we leave people more self-reliant than when they arrived at our doors? When families work through our programs, they develop greater confidence and motivation to manage setbacks in their lives. At Community Action Partnership the answer lies in empowering people to recognize and make use of their own unique strengths and resources in order to improve their lives. Our participants commit to playing the lead role in making lasting changes in their lives.

This is not work that we do alone. We need people from the community—families, neighbors, business owners, congregations, and others—who will join us as we work together planting the seeds to end poverty in Orange County. Together, we will fulfill America's promise to the poor.

Thank you,



Clarence W. "Buddy" Ray

Chief Executive Officer



Connie Jones

Chairman, Board of Directors





# About Us

With leadership and results dating back to 1965, Community Action Partnership of Orange County (CAPOC) has evolved into Orange County's most comprehensive anti-hunger and poverty relief organization. CAPOC's aim is to make a positive impact in people's lives by helping them meet basic needs and strengthen their support system. Our position within Orange County allows us to identify neighborhood concerns and find unique solutions. We have a stake in the health of our community and have the ability to create real change in the lives of low-income children, families, seniors, and veterans. By acting as a resource for ending hunger and poverty, our organization improves the health of our community. We mobilize and direct resources to programs that assist, educate, and promote self-sufficiency.

**Helping our community is helping ourselves.**

**We change people's lives, embody the spirit of hope, improve communities, and make America a better place to live.**





# Our Programs

## FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS

CAPOC works to eliminate hunger in Orange County, by believing that every person has the right to live without fear of hunger. The OC Food Bank works with a network of close to 400 community organizations to feed hungry children, families, seniors, and veterans. Our staff works with local corporations and volunteers to reduce food insecurity, changing the local food system to prevent hunger.

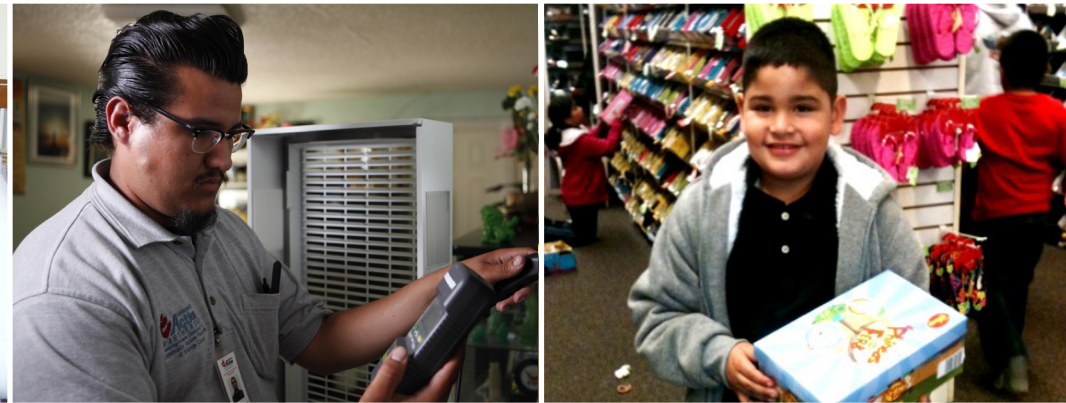


## ASSET AND COMMUNITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

CAPOC works with residents to improve the health of their community by identifying issues that impact their neighborhoods. We help residents to address community issues and reverse neighborhood decline by building stronger communities and empowering residents. CAPOC educates residents on making healthy and nutritious food choices and provides programs to increase physical activity. These programs also educate low-income neighborhoods to build financial stability, create savings, and provides free tax preparation assistance.

## ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Our programs aid low-income clients who need assistance paying their utility bills. Clients receive discounts and assistance during crisis. They learn through consumer education how to conserve energy and save money. Services include: information & referral, utility assistance, weatherization, client workshops, community education, and energy conservation.



## FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS

Our two family resource centers strengthen families and the communities that surround them. The Centers provide an environment that help children, families and seniors become stable, and self-sufficient. In addition, the Centers have senior programs and provide local youth with tutoring and after-school programs, arts and crafts, and recreational activities. The Centers are a focal point for residents to learn about community issues and to work together to find solutions.





# WE GET RESULTS

In 2012 Community Action Partnership of Orange County:

- Served a total of 463,125 clients.
- Recruited 64 clients into our Economic Case Management program, of which 35 obtained jobs and 16 obtained an increase in income and/or benefits through our two Family Resource Centers.
- Increased 1,276 youth's academic, athletic and social skills for school success through programs at our two Family Resource Centers.
- Enrolled 2,792 clients into SNAP obtaining \$387,630 in Food Stamp benefits.
- Provided job training to 16 trainees in our energy and Environmental Services department through the Green Job Trainee Program and our OC Food Bank served as a work site for 12 paid youth trainees, increasing their job skills.
- Improved family stability and parenting skills through workshops to 133 low-income parents.
- Aided 494 seniors in Community Senior Services and daily lunch programs.
- Gave 33 low-income youth, ages 10 to 14, the opportunity to spend a week at camp at the Irvine Ranch Outdoor Education Center.
- Mobilized 143 OC residents to participate in community revitalization and anti-poverty initiatives.





# 2012 Accomplishments



5 families were able to purchase homes with our assistance



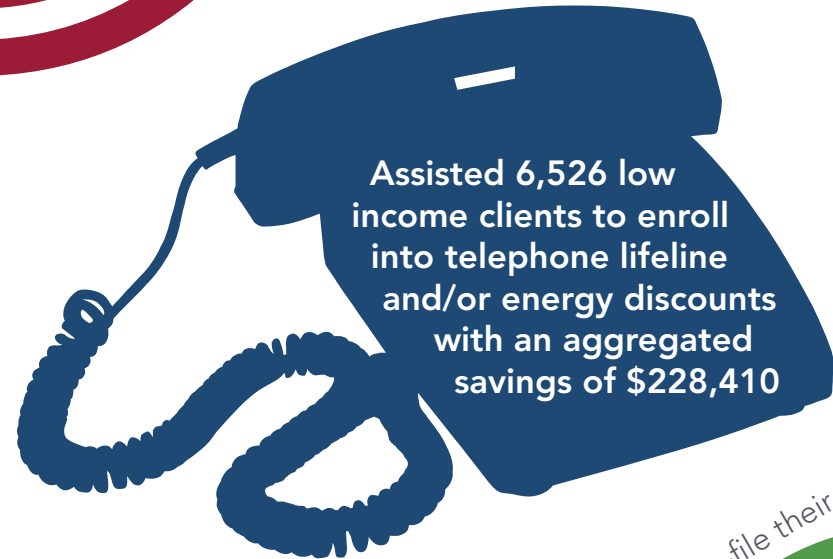
Made emergency gas and electric utility payments for 8,359 clients



632 children received free lunches through our Summer Lunch Program



11,085 infant & children's health and physical development improved through our health & wellness programs



Assisted 6,526 low income clients to enroll into telephone lifeline and/or energy discounts with an aggregated savings of \$228,410

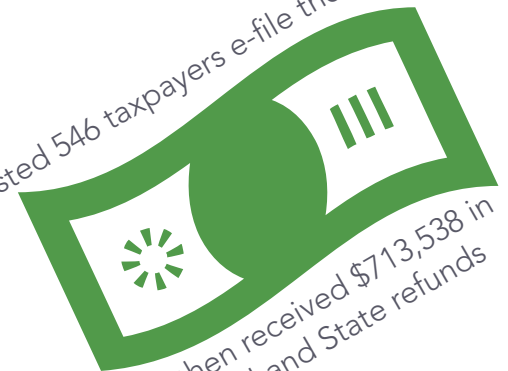


18,679,701 lbs. of food were distributed to clients



28,040 senior citizens & 1,137 individuals with disabilities received services that helped them maintain their independent living

Assisted 546 taxpayers e-file their taxes who then received \$713,538 in Federal and State refunds

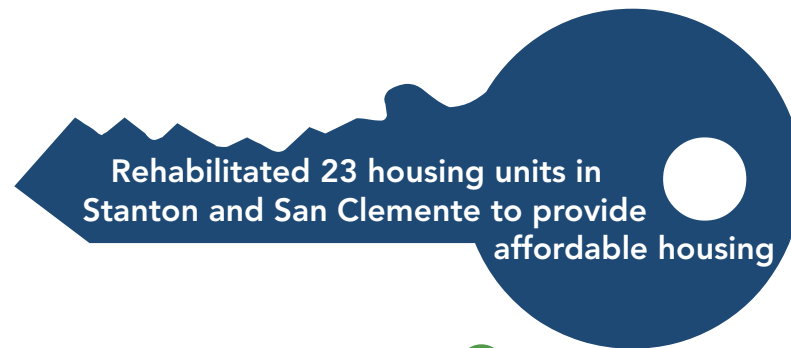




Provided emergency food assistance to 106,158 individuals



Distributed 1,781 backpacks to low-income K-12 students



1,000 clients demonstrated the ability to complete and maintain a budget for 90 days through our workshops





# Helping People Changing Lives

*CAPOC is dedicated to helping our neighbors. We work to impact our community and transform lives everyday. Here is just one of our stories illustrating our important work.*

Barbara is a senior with disabilities living alone in Orange County. She struggles each month to pay her bills on time with a limited income of less than \$800 a month. With no family to turn to for help, Barbara called the OC Food Bank when she ran out of food.

When our team arrived at her apartment building, they noticed how difficult it must be for her to get to her apartment by climbing up and down the unstable steps and rotting landing leading to her unit. As they stepped inside, Barbara immediately apologized for the mess she couldn't clean because of her limited mobility. She told them about her challenges finding someone to take her to a much needed surgery, her troubles paying her utility bills, and the continuing problems she faced because of her cataracts.

Community Action Partnership of Orange County was able to sign Barbara up for our Commodity Supplemental Food Program that would give her a monthly food box and provided her information about our Energy and Environmental Services Department to help her pay her utility bills.

Our programs helped Barbara when she had lost hope and helped her get back on her feet; just like we have helped thousands of other children, families, seniors, and veterans living in poverty in Orange County.

**We help people help themselves and others.**



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# Financial Highlights

## Statement of Activities

	Year End December 31, 2012	Year End December 31, 2011
<b>Revenue, gains, and other support:</b>		
Governmental contracts and grants	\$9,439,747	\$12,567,585
Commodities	7,735,886	7,273,420
Private contracts	561,961	742,382
Donations	1,045,532	844,944
Investment income	861	716
Shared maintenance	83,114	99,668
Other	813,700**	29,352
<b>Total revenue, gains and other support</b>	<b>\$19,680,801</b>	<b>\$21,558,067*</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Program Services		
Energy and Environmental Services	3,470,057	4,115,095
Department of Energy ARRA	1,307,946	3,685,449
Community Partnership and Services	1,138,445	1,061,337
Food Services	11,064,982	10,633,514
Agency	159,296	215,221
<b>Total Program Services</b>	<b>17,140,726</b>	<b>19,710,616</b>
Supporting Services		
Management and general	1,304,484	1,227,834
Fundraising	320,041	142,886
<b>Total Supporting services</b>	<b>1,624,525</b>	<b>1,370,720</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$18,765,251</b>	<b>\$21,081,336</b>
Increase in net assets	915,550	476,731
Net Assets at beginning of year	4,431,192	3,954,461
<b>Net assets at end of year</b>	<b>\$5,346,742</b>	<b>\$4,431,192</b>

\* Community Action Partnership of Orange County received a one-time funding of approximately \$6 million through the American Recovery and Reinvestment ACT (ARRA) and Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). This was awarded for 2009-2011 and we completed the contract on September 20, 2011.

\*\* One time mitigation beneficial award

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