Blue Valley Community Action

Annual Report 1999-2000

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From the Board President ...

It is hard to believe that we are already in the twenty-first century and that Blue Valley Community Action is about to celebrate its 35th anniversary in January of 2001.

To many, Blue Valley Community Action is a well-kept secret. Generally, only if you have really needed help, are you likely to have come into contact with the organization. It isn't a secret because we try to keep it to ourselves—it is just that our focus has never been on self-promotion.

We go about working quietly on many fronts to give those with less opportunity, more opportunity. We offer opportunity for individuals, families and communities to help themselves. We believe the individual should take responsibility for their own lives and actions. We know that sometimes events occur that make people feel like they have no control over their lives and that they can't go on without help. We try to help and get others to help, because we also believe that everyone has a responsibility to improve their community and all the lives within it.

In another part of this annual report, you'll note the mission of Blue Valley Community Action. It asks us to build upon strengths. Our area has many strengths, not the least of which are the people who live here and who come here.

This is a changing world and change is evident all around us. Technology is changing the economy, knowledge increases at rates we can hardly comprehend and immigration continues to strengthen our society, while it presents us with new challenges. It will take the actions of many individuals, and of the whole community to integrate the new technologies, new knowledge and the new nationalities into our "Good Life." It is something we at Blue Valley Community Action were created to do. It is what all of us should be doing. It is what makes community action a significant part of our democracy.

Blue Valley has almost thirty-five years of history helping others who needed a hand up. We are hopeful the Twenty-first Century allows us to continue our efforts to make our towns better places to live. We are hopeful, that local citizens and newcomers alike will take action to assist all those neighbors who for one reason or another need an opportunity so that they too can succeed in our great society.

As we begin this new century, we ask for your action to help your community. We will work with you every step of the way, but we cannot do it without you. Community Action is just what it says it is...the community acting to improve itself. Blue Valley Community Action is a part of the community as are all of you. Together we can make it happen.

Inside this report, see some of the things we, together, have already done. Imagine what we can still do, with your help.

... From the Executive Director

This annual report is the first of the new millennium for Blue Valley Community Action. It comes as BVCA is about to celebrate its 35th Anniversary.

Our challenges are different than they were in 1966. The poverty rate is closer to 10% than the almost 30% it was then. The organization has assets that give it certain stability that it lacked in its early days. There are thousands of volunteer hours donated by hundreds of volunteers now and almost half the budget is local or private support. It gives us pride to see the accomplishments that all have helped both the communities we serve and the organization itself achieve. Before Blue Valley Community Action came into existence in January of 1966, the rate of poverty in the nine counties served by the organization was in the 20-28% range on average. One in four persons was below the poverty line established by the federal government. While things are much better now, many factors have contributed to this situation, not the least of which has been the support this organization has had both locally and nationally and the impact of that support to getting folks back on their feet when unfortunate situations have arisen to knock them down.

Poverty is a strange creature. It can afflict those with little motivation, but it can also afflict the most hard working. It can surprise you, coming as a result of ill health or injury. It can come as a result of failing grain or livestock prices. It can come from a factory closing, or from young people moving from a home town to the big city. An individual can fall into poverty, as can a family. However, a community can also fall into poverty. Blue Valley Community Action serves southeastern Nebraska and north central Kansas, predominantly rural areas and we work with community leaders to help communities grow and stay healthy. For strong communities, we also need strong leaders and strong leaders are made in strong families. Therefore, we work for families of all types, from single elderly living along to single mothers with children, to traditional families newly arrived to our area.

We try to address the causes of poverty, as well as try to help alleviate the worst parts of being in poverty. This is no narrow task. Poor health, poor education, poor housing, or poor nutrition can lead to poverty. The lack of work or work with low pay and few benefits can lead to poverty. Abuse by a loved one can split a home and break up a family, which can lead to poverty. Children getting into trouble can lead to lessening of opportunities and eventual poverty or worse. Therefore, our focus has always been comprehensive. You'll see us active in emergency situations, in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, comforting the sick, helping the unemployed, teaching those in need of various skills. You'll see us working to identify community needs, building or repairing housing, developing child care centers, organizing community projects, promoting the rural nature of our area and operating community centers. You'll see us driving county transit buses, diverting kids from crime, delivering commodities to the elderly, offering scholarships for civic activity and supporting family centers. We are you, we are your neighbors and we want what is best for our communities. And, we want the community's help...we want your help for Community Action!

Management Team 1999-2000

Executive Director-Richard D. Nation

Comptroller-Robin Mayer

Human Resources-Loree Rix-Crouse

<u>Blue Valley Crisis Intervention</u> Loree Rix-Crouse, Director Carmen Grummert, Program Director

Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Crisis Intervention Public Information Coordinated Response Juvenile Diversion Program AmeriCorps

Family & Community Services Ardith Hoins, Director

Food Programs Health Services Family Development Emergency Shelters/Services Transit Services Saline Eldercare Foster Grandparents County Coordinators and Centers Homeless/Near –Homeless Assistance

<u>Housing & Rural Development</u> Jerri Kerr, Director

Community Housing Development Weatherization & Home Rehabilitation Housing Rentals Homeowner Assistance Services Joint Housing Authority Management

> <u>Children & Youth Services</u> Kathryn Molczyk, Director

Blue River Family Resource Center Blue River Child Development Head Start-Nebraska Head Start-Kansas Early Head Start Full Day/Full Year

The folks we serve ...

Poverty vs. Welfare

While almost 96% are below 185% of poverty, only 3.6 % are on welfare (TANF/AFDC)

Family Structure

36% Single persons 64% Families

- 10% Two adults/no children 32% Two parents w/children 22% Single parent w/children
 - * Male 2%
 - * Female 20%

Average Family Size: 2.6 persons



Education

- 17% have not graduated from high school
- 66% have graduated from high school/GED
- 12% have attended college
 - 5% graduated college

Children

- 113 were without insurance
- By the year 2001:
- * 70 were enrolled
- * 32 were still without
- * 11 had left BVCA's area



Ages of Clients Served



How we have helped ...

Transit: Provided almost 74,000 trips since 1982.

Commodities: Over 28,000 families assisted since 1987

Medical Triage: Over 200 folks assisted by nurses with toll free triage calls since 1997.

WIC Food Value: Over \$3.4 Million purchased from local grocers.

Child Development: Over 5,000 preschoolers provided with Head Start Services since 1965.

Over 1,000 children in childcare since 1995.

Homeownership: Over 100 families assisted since 1997.

Weatherization: Almost 4,000 homes weatherized.

Housing Units: Built over 100 since 1995.

Over 4,300 women and children served by Domestic Abuse Services since July 1991.

Crisis Line Calls: Over 19,000 calls since 1991.

Overnight Shelter: Over 1,000 nights per year provided.



Blue Valley Community Action's Growth

Children & Youth Services



The Children & Youth Services Department consists of Head Start, Early Head Start, Blue River Family Resource Center and Blue River Child Development Program.

HEAD START

Blue Valley Community Action has 12 Head Start Centers at 11 different sites throughout south central Nebraska and north central Kansas. Last year 252 families with children between the ages of 3 and 5 participated in the program.

There is one full-day Head Start program for children of parents who are working or in training for a job and in need of childcare. Eleven part-day programs provide a comprehensive child development program four hours a day, four days per week. One center provides a combination program consisting of two groups of children attending on alternative days and every other week home visits are provided for each family. One center is an inclusion program located within the Blue River Child Development Program.

- * 1 full day/full year Head Start serving 17 children
- * 9 part day center based programs serving 195 children
- * 1 part day combination program serving 30 children
- * 1 inclusion program serving 22 children

In an effort to satisfy the new National Head Start mandate, which specifies that nation-wide half of the teachers in Head Start Programs have degrees, five Head Start teachers in Nebraska and one in Kansas are working toward their Associate of Arts Degree. So far, every course attempted has been completed with excellent grades. This will be an ongoing process that will be offered to staff as funding allows.

The Regional "Teacher of the Year" award went to Joyce Smith, who is supervisor at Gage County Head Start in Beatrice. Joyce along with eight members of the Head Start/Early Head Start Management Team attended the Regional VII Training Conference in Kansas City where Joyce was recognized and presented with an award.

EARLY HEAD START

The Early Head Start Program started serving families in Gage and Saline Counties in October of 1999. Since that time 44 families have participated in the home based program. Six Early Head Start staff received training in Parents as Teachers curriculum.

BOTH HEAD START AND EARLY HEAD START OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:

- * Providing a comprehensive child development program
- * Involving parents in the children's development
- * Helping families to improve the quality of their lives
- * Improving each child's physical and mental health and well being



Children & Youth Services

BLUE RIVER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

The Blue River Family Resource Center (BRFRC) strives to provide resources and support for the entire family. Families at Heart is a group of community representatives, led by BRFRC staff, that plan parenting education opportunities throughout the year. A variety of services are offered at the Center including: Immunizations, Well Baby/Well Child clinics, computer technology access, mental health services, economic assistance programs, child abuse prevention programs, GED and ESL (English as a Second Language) classes, programs designed to assist migrant workers and their families, emergency assistance including a food pantry, case management and a wide variety of early education programs for children. The entire staff of the BRFRC work together on a daily basis to eliminate duplication of services and provide the most seamless delivery of support services possible.





The Blue River Family Resource Center continues to meet the needs of families and children. This year, our Blue River Child Development Program (BRCDP) became a nationally accredited center. Only about 7% of early education and care programs nationwide have achieved accreditation. A high quality environment is one in which children are comfortable, are challenged to think, and where children have adults who love them and model appropriate ways to handle problems.

Blue River Child Development Program is a high quality early education and care facility for children from 6 weeks through 12 years. It provides infant, toddler, preschool, and school-age care year round from 5:30AM to 6:00PM, Monday through Friday. The Center works with other partners to fullfill our shared goals of service to families. BRCDP operates an evening care program primarily for children who are in the evening migrant education and adult basic education programs offered by the Crete Public Schools (CPS). BRCDP provides the child education portion of the Evenstart program operated by the CPS. We also provide "wrap around" childcare services for children eligible for CPS migrant preschool program. New this year is the KAMP 21 (Kids Arriving More Prepared into the 21st Century). This program is an after school

program for children who are in fourth through sixth grade and who would otherwise be unsupervised during their after school hours. Finally, BRCDP is completely integrated with Saline County Head Start.

We collaboratively work to provide the highest quality of early education and care for children and their families that we can. All services to children are provided in a manner that is consistent with best practices and are developmentally appropriate.



We are extremely proud of the work done by our early education staff.

Blue Valley Crisis Intervention



Blue Valley Crisis Intervention was formed in 1991 and provides emergency and enhanced advocacy services to victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault and their families, community information and education regarding crisis services, juvenile services which include diversion education for first-time juvenile misdemeanor offenders, outreach education programming and mentoring for youth at-risk of violent or criminal tendencies, and AmeriCorps prevention efforts focusing on conflict resolution training and student tutoring of at-risk youth.

ABUSE SERVICES

Victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault receive emotional support, case management and enhanced advocacy. Victims, survivors, and their families are empowered to recognize their own abilities, make informed decisions, and plan a future free from violence. A 24-hour crisis line (1-800-876-6238), transportation, shelter, legal advocacy, medical advocacy, emergency financial assistance, and individual and group support are examples of available services. All services are completely confidential and free of charge to anyone who requires assistance regardless of economic status.

PUBLIC EDUCATION

In an effort to provide the community information relative to domestic violence

and sexual assault, a variety of presentations and inservice trainings are available to groups of all ages. Presentations include domestic violence and sexual assault awareness, dating violence, workplace violence, sexual harassment, and secret touch. In addition to educational programs and inservice trainings, information is provided through radio interviews and newspaper articles. During Domestic Violence Awareness month a public assembly was held at the Beatrice Public Library. Keynote speakers included Beatrice Mayor John Bartels and Janet Anderson, Legislative Aide to Senator Dennis Byars.



AMERICORPS

Two AmeriCorps members are providing programming that focuses on the prevention and reduction of youth violence by interacting and training young persons in the development of conflict resolution skills and student academic tutoring. One-to-one mentoring and tutoring is provided to youth ages 6 through 17. Prevention activities during Red Ribbon Week and throughout the year included presentations featuring Stacy Strong of Carter Lake, Iowa, Theresa



from Fox 42 Kids Club, and Little Red from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln Athletic Department. Over 1,800 service area youth and their parents were presented information regarding maintaining a drug and alcohol free lifestyle.

Blue Valley Crisis Intervention

JUVENILE SERVICES



The Juvenile Services program, in its second year, continues to develop and expand. Diversion education programming has proven successful. Thirty-five youth have completed diversion education programming, and to date no diversion graduate has re-offended. Youth participate in the program for approximately eight months and all are required to complete community service. The first annual youth leadership conference for at-risk

youth was held in July. Over 50 youth and 30 service providers attended the two-day conference, which highlighted a variety of speakers who presented information on positive choice making. The second annual conference is being developed and is tentatively scheduled for May 2001. It is anticipated that the number of participants at the second annual conference will double.



Housing & Rural Development

RENTAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

2000, What A Year!!! The Housing & Rural Development Department has reached the 100 mark. Over 100 affordable housing rental units have been developed by the department. To date, 105 affordable rental units are available to provide safe, decent affordable housing options to our area residents.

Our latest development is new to BVCA's development strategy in the "Lease to Own" program. During the 1999-2000 year, 17 single-family homes were constructed in Beatrice as part of the CROWN Program available through the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority. These homes are offered under a lease agreement for a period of 15 years at which time the family will be given

an option to purchase the home at a reduced price, basically, the balance remaining on the mortgages.

During the 15 years, BVCA will work with the families with supportive services to make sure they are creditworthy and capable of acquiring a mortgage to purchase the property.



BVCA will also provide all management of these homes, pay the

taxes and insurance, however, the tenants are responsible for all maintenance and upkeep of the property. This type of project is greatly needed to provide the stepping stone form typical rental apartments to homeownership.



CONSTRUCTION

Currently under construction is an additional four units of affordable rental housing in the community of Diller. These four two-bedroom units are expected to be ready for occupancy in early 2001. BVCA has already received inquiries of interested renters for this project.

REHABILITATION

BVCA continues to assist homeowners to bring their homes to current health and safety standards. BVCA maintains a small revolving loan program and provides housing rehabilitation assistance throughout the nine county service area. During the last year, five families applied for loan funds and received assistance to rehabilitate their homes. BVCA is currently administering a Blue Springs/Wymore Housing Rehabilitation program and to date, six families have received assistance to repair their homes, making them more energy efficient and maintaining them in the housing market.

WEATHERIZATION

The Weatherization program continues to focus on strategies that will make housing affordable by reducing the cost of heating and cooling the structures. During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, our weatherization efforts improved the housing conditions for 161 individuals and 65 households.



Housing & Rural Development

HOMEOWNERSHIP

BVCA received a Regional Homeownership Opportunity Program contract to assist individuals and families in purchasing homes throughout the service area. The program is now complete and 28 families are new homeowners. BVCA staff were able to leverage funds for these purchases with HOME funds from the Department of Economic Development, a SUPER Targeted Mortgage program through the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, a Rural Housing Partnership program collaborated with USDA Rural Development and soft money for additional assistance from the Federal Home Loan Bank through the Housing Assistance Council. Over \$3,000,000 worth of first mortgages were secured through these programs.

BVCA provided administration for the Fillmore County Homeownership Opportunity Program, which is complete—20 families were assisted in purchasing their first home throughout the Fillmore County area. One family constructed a new home outside of Geneva with program funds. BVCA also provides the administration for the Wymore/Blue Springs Homeownership Opportunity Program. To date, three families have received funds to assist them in purchasing their first home. Additional funds are available and the program will continue in 2001.

BVCA has been designated as an Affiliate Homeownership Education provider and over the last year, over 100 families have made inquiries and received technical assistance and homeownership education.



REAL ESTATE LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS		
East Meadows, Ltd., Crete	Income \$32,750	<u>Assets</u> \$477,734
West Meadows, Ltd., Crete\$	33,261	\$566,296
Pinegrove, Ltd., Wymore	\$33,295	\$643,990
Trailview, Ltd., Hebron	\$27,725	\$706,318
Crestland, Ltd., Beatrice	\$68,090	\$1,792,712
Sunset CROWN, Ltd., Beatrice Total	<u>\$20,356</u> \$215,477	<u>\$3,639,813</u> \$7,826,863

Family & Community Services

COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTERS

A community service center is located in each of BVCA's counties (David City, Osceola, York, Seward, Crete, Geneva, Hebron, Fairbury and Beatrice). A variety of services are offered for individuals and families. Each site is customized to the needs of that community. The programs are designed to help families reach their potential toward self-sufficiency.

Close to *Clothing Stores* are open to the public and managed by dedicated volunteers, who receive, sort \$905,000 in and fill racks and shelves with donated clothing and household items. **Donations**

Food Pantries provide food and non-food items to families in emergency situations in 1,824 Households 5,999 Persons 45,884 Days of Fo nine counties. Food, paper products and personal items are available through the generous donations from the community.

Homeless Assistance assists homeless and near-homeless families with provision of shelter, food, clothing, rent/utility/deposit payments, family development, transportation and other miscellaneous needs. BVCA operates three single-family shelters—one in York, Fairbury, and Beatrice.

Information & Referral services are provided after an assessment of needs and wants is completed.

971 Persons 2.677 Referrals

23.537 Hours

Referrals are given to available services within BVCA and to other services and resources. Agency intake applications are completed for the BVCA managed programs, privately or publicly funded.

Local Partners join with BVCA staff in strengthening the approach of local and state concerns, such as HIV Prevention, the Food Panty Network, transient assistance, Grocery Shopping Service, farmer's market, Continuum of Care for the Homeless, Good Beginnings/Family Preservation Teams, Interagency Councils, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition, and Community Access to Coordinated Health Care.

Project FIRST, Families In Residence with Support in Transition, enrolls homeless families to move them from transitional housing to permanent housing. With emphasis on family strengths and goal-setting, the enrollees strive to maintain permanent housing, increase their income and acquire a better life style.



Project FOCUS, Families Opting for Change Using Strengths, is one-to-one family development process for families to voluntarily engage in changing their lives.

Volunteer Opportunities are available through a variety of projects, center activities, \$395,790 Value seasonal projects and governance roles in community, regional or state capacities.

PUBLIC TRANSIT SERVICE

Fillmore County Rural Transit Service provides reasonably priced rides within Fillmore County as well as destinations regularly scheduled outside the county. The use of the transit services is as follows: 13% medical, 4% nutrition, 35% shopping, 2% educational, 1.2% social and 45% return trips.

BVCA partners with York Senior Services and Butler County Senior Services in providing vehicles for their transit systems.



Family & Community Services

HEALTH & NUTRITION

<u>Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)</u> provides nonperishable food to women, children, and elderly at seven locations covering thirteen counties. Through the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension Service, nutrition education was provided to enrollees in Richardson, Nemaha, Pawnee, and Johnson counties.



<u>Community Access to Coordinated Healthcare (CATCH)</u> is a collaborative effort with two county health departments to access healthcare for Medicaid eligible individuals and the unserved. A variety of services are offered. Included are:

- * <u>*Call-Care*</u> is a telephone triage for anyone to have a registered nurse through a computerized system assess their symptoms to indicate home treatment, a doctor's appointment or an emergency room visit.
- * <u>Every Woman Matters Outreach Program</u> enrolls women between the ages of 40-64 to be screened for breast and cervical cancer. Financial assistance is available. BVCA provides services in Gage, Saline and Jefferson counties and partners with five health departments to serve seven other counties in Southeast Nebraska.
- * <u>Kid's Connection Outreach</u> completes applications for the state children's health insurance. For those urgent and emergent health needs, staff can assess and presume their eligibility immediately.
- * <u>Medical Home Access</u> is obtained for those needing medical, dental or optometric appointments.
- * <u>Drug Indigent Program</u> is accessed for those who cannot afford prescription drugs. Several drug companies offer this service, which requires a lot of paperwork to access.
- * <u>Emergency Room Follow-up</u> is made to check on their condition and provide education to the appropriateness of the visit.
- ⁴ <u>Medical/Dental/Optometric Appointment Follow-ups</u> are performed with those who fail to keep their appointments. Barriers are identified and education is provided to the importance of keeping appointments.

Immunization Clinics are offered to children 2 months to 21 years old at regular clinics in Crete, Fairbury, Friend, Wilber and Seward with additional clinics in area schools and daycare centers.

<u>Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Food Program (WIC)</u> provides health and nutrition assessments for pregnant and breastfeeding women and children under 5 years old to determine eligibility. Vouchers to local grocery stores are provided for nutritious food needed for proper physical development during these critical times.

OLDER ADULT PROGRAMS

<u>Saline Eldercare</u> provides services to older adults in Saline County. After a needs assessment, services offered vary from medication checks to telephone reassurance to "Friendly Visitors" to in-home care to a variety of other services. One Senior Companion visits 8 older adults, cooking meals, running errands, and providing companionship. The 5th and 6th graders at three schools call those who live alone in their community to check on their well-being.

Foster Grandparent Program matches older adults with children who have special needs. The Grandparents spend 20 hours per week working one-on-one with the children at volunteer stations located in Gage, Jefferson, Saline, Johnson, Richardson and Nemaha Counties. The grandparents receive a small stipend for their work.



<u>Other Programs</u> benefiting older adults include transit services, CSFP, recycled clothing, emergency services, domestic abuse services, weatherization, rental housing services, and housing rehabilitation.

Blue Valley Community Action Resources & Support

STATE OF NEBRASKA GRANTS:

AmeriCorp	\$24,148
CSFP (Commodity Distribution)	*\$77,418
WIC (Health & Nutrition)	\$420,362
NHAP (Homeless Assistance)	\$37,269
HIV/AIDS	\$15,256
Immunization	\$21,262
Sexual Assault	\$26,770
Domestic Violence	\$68,498
VOCA/VAWA (Victim Assistance)	\$61,292
CSBG	\$235,910
Child Care Food	\$73,131
Transitional Housing	\$3,024
Making Homes Accessible	\$25,193
Home Owners Assistance	\$169,049
Weatherization	\$1,440
Juvenile Justice	\$33,500
ESGP (Emergency Shelter)	\$25,945
SESAME	\$31,176
CHDO (Housing Development)	\$79,370
Child Abuse Prevention	\$15,131
Jefferson Co. Good Beginnings	\$2,337
LB144 (Homebuyer Programs)	\$21,662
Saline Eldercare	\$47,661
DOE Weatherization	\$80,149
LIEAP Weatherization	\$89,167
Every Woman Matters	<u>\$67,192</u>
Total	\$1,753,312

*Value of Commodities Distributed: \$322,418

STATE OF KANSAS GRANTS: Food Programs	\$12,031
UNITED WAY SUPPORT: Cornhusker United Way United Way of America Total	\$4,000 <u>\$15,144</u> \$19,144
PRIVATE FOUNDATION SUPPORT: NE Children & Families Foundation Robert Woods Johnson Foundation Total	n \$12,410 <u>\$10,000</u> \$22,410
PRIVATE INVESTMENT REVENUES: Corporate Pickles Administration Fees Management Fees Development Fees Revolving Loan Programs Total	\$56,537 \$71,088 \$51,346 \$93,400 \$7,565 \$ <u>110,517</u> \$390,453
RENTAL INCOME: Corporate Rents Fillmore County Units HOME Rents Blue River Family Resource Center Valley Heights Dorchester Total	\$103,000 \$61,282 \$25,536 \$30,212 \$59,287 <u>\$10,522</u> \$289,839



BVCA's 1999-2000 **Total Revenues:** \$9,500,370

Blue Valley Community Action Resources & Support

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT:

Butler County	\$4,075
Fillmore County	\$3,376
Gage County	\$10,800
Jefferson County	\$4,157
Polk County	\$2,696
Saline County	\$7,774
Seward County	*
Thayer County	\$3,147
York County	\$6,835
City of Crete	\$2,846
City of Fairbury	\$36,647
City of Lincoln	\$28,999
Communities of:	
Swanton, DeWitt, Tobias	
Western, Friend & Dorchester,	<u>\$3,262</u>
Total	\$114,614

*\$7,503 came in after close of fiscal year.

U.S. GOVERNMENT DIRECT GRANTS:

\$1,732,232
\$199,184
\$133,152
\$413,475
\$149,475
\$17,192
\$147,343
<u>\$16,617</u>
\$2,808,670

LOCAL FEES:	
Blue River Child Development	\$340,898
Transit Fees	\$5,138
Other Local Fees	<u>\$28,605</u>
Total	374,641
LOCAL PRIVATE SUPPORT:	
Pantries	\$17,681
Clothing Sales	\$94,546
In-Kind Contributions	\$1,555,055
Local Donations	\$1,333,033
Total	\$1,719,679
Total	\$1,/19,0/9
OTHER REVENUES:	
Fillmore Transit	\$56,948
Butler Transit	\$22,033
York Transit	<u>\$275</u>
Total	\$79,256
CONSTRUCTION ASSET FUNDING:*	
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Sunset Crown Project	\$1,865,487 \$45,766

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\$45,766
<u>\$5,068</u>
\$1,916,321

*BVCA is the general partner in six housing partnerships not included in these figures.

BVCA increased cash reserves to \$255,000.

BVCA's 1999-2000 **Total Expenses:** \$9,512,475



Blue Valley Community Action

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