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...changes people's lives...

...embodies the spirit of hope...

...improves communities...

...makes America a better place to live...



Blue Valley Community Action Partnership

Annual Report  2009-2010



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A Message from BVCA Partnership

On January 18, 2011, one day before Blue Valley Community Action Partnership officially turned 45, Sargent Shriver passed away. For those of you too young to remember the 1960s, it was Sargent Shriver who led the War on Poverty and set in motion the events that make today’s BVCA possible.

Back then, at the request of his brother-in-law President John F. Kennedy, Shriver started the Peace Corps. Today, that single program has morphed into the Corporation for National and Community Service, which underwrites our AmeriCorps, VISTA and Foster Grandparent volunteers. During the Johnson administration, Shriver led the War on Poverty, initiating flexible grants to encourage community-based responses to eliminate poverty. These efforts also changed with the times. Today, in addition to the original Community Action Agencies and Head Start, we have Early Head Start, Weatherization, Low-Income Energy Assistance Program, transportation, child care, health and housing programs.

It seems amazing what the determination and efforts of one person accomplished for our country, until we stop to consider the difference that each of us connected with BVCA Partnership continues to make every day. We help families find work and offer scholarships for continuing education. We see that children receive basic health screenings and immunizations. We help women get mammograms and, if necessary, follow-up cancer treatments. We place families in safe, affordable housing and try to move them into home ownership. We spend time with preschoolers and their parents to ensure that poor children have educational enrichment opportunities. We are there after school, not to babysit, but to provide a safe nurturing environment for today’s young people. And through it all, we drive hours and miles in all kinds of weather to bring people the basic necessities of life — food, clothing, emergency shelter and heating assistance. Sargent Shriver would be proud.

There will be a lot of discussion these next few years about our nation’s priorities. BVCA Partnership will undoubtedly be part of those discussions. But while the talk goes on, remember that we have been, are and will continue to be doers. We ask you to join us as we strive to make America the place Sargent Shriver envisioned. As you review this report, think about “what you can do for your country.” Let’s each of us, every day, get up, go out and work for the change we would see. Somewhere, Sargent Shriver will be smiling.



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During the 2009-2010 fiscal year, full Board Meetings were held in: October 2009 with 16 in attendance; November 2009 with 21 in attendance; January 2010 with 17 in attendance; February 2010 with 19 in attendance; March 2010 with 24 in attendance; April 2010 with 22 in attendance; June 2010 with 19 in attendance; and August 2010 with 26 in attendance. In February 2010, 5 new members attended orientation and in September 2010, 12 attended ROMA (Results Orientated Management & Accountability) training.



Leadership Team

<u>Chief Executive Officer</u> Richard D. Nation	<u>Administration</u> Heather Lytle, Director
<u>Family & Community Services</u> Ardith Hoins, Director	<u>Children Services</u> Shari Wurtz-Miller, Director
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Doug:

“Six months ago Doug, a 60-year old man, was told he had cancer and that his wife was divorcing him. Due to circumstances beyond his control, he was forced to live in his camper on a friend’s property. This was not a concern to him though. He didn’t mind ‘roughing it’ as he put it. He is a skilled mechanic, but due to health and his age, he has been unable to find work doing what he is good at and that he loves. He came to BVCA Partnership for assistance with his income taxes, and in the course of our conversation, he confided that he drove to Lincoln three days a week for radiation treatments. It was really taking a toll. He was living on a fixed income of Social Security and made a few extra dollars cutting firewood. He was very worried about how he was going to get to his upcoming treatments since he was very low on gas and his money was almost gone for the month. BVCA offered him a gas voucher, even though he did not ask for one. He was totally taken by surprise at the offer and humbly and tearfully accepted.

About a month and a half later, he called and said that his doctor said everything was going well, but he was still taking radiation treatments. He had tried to do some odd jobs to earn money, but was unable to earn enough money for gas. He was in tears and said, ‘You are my last hope.’ Gladly another gas voucher was given. He shared that he had asked God the night before what to do and BVCA came to his mind.

Later he came to the office and was in very low spirits. His car, an early 80’s ‘clunker’ had blown a tire returning home from treatment. All four tires were literally bare of any tread. He said he just needed someone to talk to. He had not tried to price any tires, because he couldn’t afford any. He shared that for treatments alone, he had logged 10,000 miles on that car. We called around pricing tires and found some used ones that were in good shape. The business agreed to take a partial payment from BVCA and let him pay \$25 per month installments. Literally it was visible of the weight being lifted from his shoulders. He confided that he knew without the gas assistance, support, and now the tires, his radiation and health would not be where it is today. ‘You saved my life’ was the last thing he said as he left BVCA’s office.”



During FY 2010, BVCA received requests for and provided over 4,546 for emergency services, including emergency assistance with food, clothing, energy or utility payments, rent or mortgage to avoid eviction, car or home repair, temporary shelter, medical care, transportation, and disaster relief from house fires and extreme weather conditions.

A parent writes:

“The Foster Grandma is a very important person in my child’s classroom. She isn’t there to lecture or to discipline. She gives hugs in the morning as the children walk into the room. She listens to them if they have a problem or if they were upset about something that happened before they came to school. She sits beside them if they can’t quite focus on what they were supposed to be doing. She helps them with their math facts or spelling words until they have them memorized the best they can. She is there to show them that somebody does care.”

The 68 Foster Grandparents in BVCA’s Pioneer Foster Grandparent Program have 340 children assigned to them for special attention. However, Foster Grandparents impact the lives of all children at the various centers.



Trisha:

“Trisha sought assistance while experiencing financial hardship due to cancer. Her illness and medical treatments prevented her from continuing full-time employment. Despite her lowered work hours, she still did not qualify for food stamps or SSDI. She was past due on her mortgage and was five months past due with her utilities. The Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP) assisted with her past due and current utility bills allowing her to bring her mortgage current thus avoiding foreclosure. Additionally, she was able to pursue mortgage reduction and thus lowered her monthly payments from \$477 to \$295. Trisha’s health has improved and she expects to return to full-time employment soon.”



HPRP served 163 families with 450 persons during FY 2010. 93 families have completed the program and 70 remain as active participants.

A single mother writes...

“I was a young, single mom with a three-year old daughter. I was working a full-time job and had enrolled my daughter in Thayer County Head Start to help give her a head start in school. Little did I realize the impact it would have on both of our lives. Head Start had home visits, which helped teach me how to work with my daughter at home as well as answer questions I had about parenting. I was also encouraged to volunteer in the classroom. This allowed me the opportunity to see the teachers in action and how the students responded. The teachers were very positive and helped me understand why they did things the way they did and what they expected from the children. I learned my daughter had many strong points as well as some areas we could improve on. Head Start also had parent meetings that allowed us to meet other parents and learn from each other. Many of the Head Start staff members told me something I hadn’t heard from anyone else—that I could go to college and about the opportunities and grants that were available to assist me. I enrolled in college to become a teacher. The next four years weren’t easy. I worked two jobs and attended classes. Sometimes my daughter even had to go with me, because I didn’t always have a babysitter, sometimes I couldn’t afford one. I learned later how much she learned from watching me work hard to provide for her as well as working to make our lives better. The Head Start staff were always there for me. They have continued to cheer us on as I graduated, took a teaching position, married, and then took time off to raise two more children—I have since returned to teaching full-time. They were also there to cheer my daughter on as she graduated from high school and college—she is now an art teacher! I look at her and the amazing teacher, wife and mother she has become and fondly remember the lessons learned in Head Start.”



In FY 2010, Head Start enrolled 285 children from 263 families. A total of 1,100 family members were served. Early Head Start enrolled 94 children and 15 adults. A total of 78 families were enrolled, for a total of 314 family members.

A staff member writes:

“I was in Office Depot and ran into a past Head Start father. While his daughter was in our program, he attended college in computer science. He is now the assistant manager of Office Depot! He is now making enough money that his wife can be a stay-at-home mom to their youngest child.”

A staff member writes:

“In 2000, BVCA developed 17 single family lease-to-own homes, known as the CROWN program. We had a family of eight with gross annual income of \$28,000 move in to a Sunset CROWN home in August of 2000. This was the only home in which the basement was finished during construction. We added two bedrooms and a third bathroom for this family. They struggled with rent for several years. At one time, they were behind approximately \$1,000. With only one adult employed, they feared they would receive an eviction notice. They stayed committed to the CROWN program and continued to pay a little extra each month until they were caught up. During this time, they continued to attend the quarterly homebuyer workshops provided. Over the last several years, the economy has hit them hard, however through it all, they were able to save \$4,000 in their escrow account, which provided the funds they needed to purchase their first home.”



Five families were able to purchase their first home this year. Over the years, BVCA has assisted 194 individuals purchase a home.



Jacki Peterson, Vice President of Mortgage Lending at Midwest Bank writes:

“Without BVCA, we would not be able to share the following success story...A young married couple just graduating from college purchased their first home. They didn’t have down payment funds. They received assistance through BVCA’s Down Payment Assistance Program, in addition to Weatherization funds. They are very proud of their small bungalow!”

A mother writes:

“I was only 20 years old, about 3 months pregnant, and had no place to call home. When I called BVCA Partnership, I had been staying in a motel for two days. BVCA helped find a two-bedroom duplex, which BVCA provided assistance for. BVCA staff not only helped me with financial assistance, but with emotional support and life goals. These goals helped me maintain structure in my life and provided me with the support I needed to get my feet back on level ground and heading in the right direction. I have gone to college and obtained my Associate Degree in Office Technology. I have been working two years now in Human Resources. It makes me feel good that I can provide my daughter with everything she needs and even the things she wants. In fact, two months ago, we purchased our first home.”



Local center staff assist many walk-ins in a variety of ways to achieve a positive family outcomes such as this.

A woman writes:

“I love to ride the Fillmore County Rural Transit Service. I have ridden the service for the past 15 years. My family does not live in the Geneva area, so this is my only way to get to my appointments. I ride the service at least four times a week. The drivers are always helpful in getting me to my appointments. Sometimes I get to ride to pick up school kids, and I just love the company. They always make me smile. I don’t know what I would do without this service. It just makes my life so much simpler.”

During FY 2010, Fillmore County Rural Transit Service provided transportation to 235 individuals. A total of 8,307 boardings were provided during 246 days of service for a total of 30,845 miles driven.



Nicole writes...

“The Weatherization of my home has already made a huge improvement not only in the lower cost of my utility bill, but also in my family’s quality of life. Last winter it was always cold in the house. No matter what the thermostat was set to, the heat kept running but the cold air kept flowing. We couldn’t sit near the windows or doors due to the cold air seeping in. When BVCA’s Weatherization Crew installed our new furnace, windows and door, the difference was dramatic! The house seemed to instantly feel warmer and the cold drafts were gone. The natural gas bill was much lower than it was at the same time last year, and even lower from the month before. BVCA’s Weatherization team was all very polite, courteous and professional. They got the job done quickly and were always very conscientious of my home and my family when they were working. I had a small problem with my furnace on a very cold Saturday evening, so I called BVCA’s Weatherization Director in hopes that he could give me a ‘quick fix’ over the phone. He was out of town, but made a call to BVCA’s HVAC Specialist who was there within minutes and resolved the problem so we wouldn’t be without heat over the weekend. He even called the next day (Sunday) to make sure it was running okay and that we were all warm. This was amazing to me and my family and I am very grateful to him for taking time off his weekend to make sure we were warm and that our furnace was working properly. This was a very positive experience and I am very thankful to BVCA and their entire Weatherization team!”



In FY 2010, BVCA’s Weatherization program helped 304 people in 136 homes lower their energy use and utility bills by weatherizing their homes. It also made for safer environments for these families, as BVCA checked for carbon dioxide build-up, leaky furnaces and other hazards. A total of 79 of these homes were completed thanks to federal stimulus funding.

An elderly individual writes:

“I would like to drop off of the Commodity Supplemental Food Program. I feel that I can make it on my own now and would like someone else to get my food, someone who needs it more than me. I want to thank you for all you have done for me in the past. I don’t know how I would have made it without your help. Thanks again!”

BVCA’s Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) enrolled 1,467 individuals in FY 2010. This included 1,189 elderly individuals, 65 women and 213 children.



2009-2010 Outcomes

OUTCOME #1: BVCA PARTNERSHIP HELPED LOW-INCOME PEOPLE BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT.



Employment

This category reflects low-income participants in BVCA Partnership employment initiatives who got a job or became self-employed.

- BVCA programs assisted 80 unemployed individuals to employment.
- 161 employed individuals maintained a job for at least 90 days.
- 34 individuals obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits.
- 16 individuals achieved “living wage” employment and benefits.
- 64 families reduced reliance on public assistance through obtaining a job or increase in employment income.

Employment Supports

This category reflects low-income participants for whom barriers to initial or continuous employment were reduced or eliminated through assistance from BVCA Partnership. BVCA assisted persons in acquiring and maintaining employment as follows:

- 33 individuals obtained skills required for employment.
- 5 individuals completed and received their ABE/GED certificate.
- 6 individuals completed a post-secondary education program and received their diploma.
- 6 individuals were awarded BVCA Partnership Scholarships to help them obtain college educations and acquire marketable work skills.
- 15 children were enrolled in “before” or “after” school programs.
- 61 were assisted in obtaining childcare for children or other dependents.
- 41 individuals obtained access to reliable transportation and/or a driver’s license.
- 70 individuals obtained healthcare services for themselves or a family member.
- 37 individuals obtained safe and affordable housing.
- 384 individuals obtained food assistance in support of employment stability.
- 24 individuals obtained non-emergency LIHEAP energy assistance.
- 19 Individuals obtained non-emergency Weatherization energy assistance.
- 7 individuals obtained other non-emergency energy assistance.



OUTCOME #1: BVCA PARTNERSHIP HELPED LOW-INCOME PEOPLE BECOME SELF-SUFFICIENT.

Economic Asset Enhancement and Utilization

This category reflects low-income households that achieve an increase in financial skills as a result of assistance through BVCA Partnership.

- 18 individuals were assisted with the preparation of their tax returns to receive \$32,609 in Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).
- 30 individuals obtained court-ordered child support payments.
- 13 individuals received home energy conservation education.
- 113 obtained housing provision.
- 126 individuals demonstrated the ability to complete and maintain a budget for over 90 days.
- 13 individuals opened savings account.
- 79 individuals contributed to their savings account for a total of \$39,696 accumulated savings.
- 2 individuals were able to purchase a home with accumulated savings.
- 13 individuals received home ownership education.
- 109 individuals obtained rental housing subsidy.



OUTCOME #2: BVCA PARTNERSHIP HELPED IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS LIVE.

Community Quality of Life and Assets

This category reflects how the quality of life and assets in low-income neighborhoods are improved by BVCA Partnership’s initiative or advocacy.

- In Crete and Seward, community facilities were improved to increase availability of services.
- Two commercial services within low-income neighborhoods evolved from the weatherization program.
- 12 childcare providers received training via BVCA’s Infant Toddler Quality Initiative.
- 1,885 individuals received donations during special events.
 - 43 children received school supplies.
 - 1,527 individuals received holiday gifts.
 - 315 participated in “Ready, Set, Go” preparing children to enter the school year with school supplies and health screenings.



OUTCOME #2: BVCA PARTNERSHIP HELPED IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS LIVE.

Community Improvement and Revitalization

This category reflects an increase in, or safeguarding of, threatened opportunities and community resources or services for low-income people in the community as a result of BVCA Partnership’s projects, initiatives or advocacy with other public and private agencies.

- 95 safe and affordable housing units in the community were preserved or improved through construction, weatherization or rehabilitation.
 - 95 homes were weatherized, assisting 277 individuals with more efficient energy use within their homes. In addition, 28 families were provided with safe furnaces.
- Accessible and affordable health care services for low-income people were created or maintained.
 - 1,098 individuals received 3,789 shots via BVCA’s immunization clinics.
 - 72 women participated in BVCA’s Healthy Weights in Women program.
 - 187 individuals were served by BVCA’s Minority Health program.
- 25 children received quality childcare at Blue River Child Development Center.
- 194 children received “before” and “after” school program placement opportunities at the FYI (Fairbury Youth Involvement) Center.
- 2 individuals participating in Project FIRST received their GED.
- 235 individuals were provided transportation via Fillmore County Rural Transit Service. A total of 8,307 boardings were provided during 246 days of service for a total of 30,845 miles driven.
- 304 individuals obtained housing via BVCA’s 131 rental units.
- 246 individuals obtained housing via BVCA’s 60 lease-to-own units.



Community Engagement

This category reflects the number of community members working with BVCA Partnership to improve conditions in the community.

- 164 community members mobilized by BVCA participated in community revitalization and anti-poverty initiatives.
- 100,552 volunteer hours were donated to BVCA Partnership.



Employment Growth from ARRA Funds

This category reflects the total number of jobs created or saved at BVCA Partnership, at least in part by ARRA Funds, in the community.

- 26 jobs were created.
- 3 jobs were saved.
- 34 individuals were given jobs.
- 24 individuals continue their jobs.

OUTCOME #3: BVCA PARTNERSHIP ENCOURAGED LOW-INCOME PEOPLE TO HAVE A STAKE IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

Community Enhancement Through Maximum Feasible Participation

This category reflects the number of volunteer hours donated to BVCA Partnership.

- 100,552 volunteer hours were donated to BVCA which is a total value of almost 1 million dollars. Two-thirds of which were donated by low-income volunteers.
- 8 AmeriCorps Members
- 68 Foster Grandparent Members



Community Empowerment Through Maximum Feasible Participation

This category reflects the number of low-income people mobilized as a direct result of BVCA Partnership’s initiative to engage in activities that support and promote their own well-being and that of the community.

- 39 individuals participated in BVCA Boards and Councils.
- 205 individuals engaged in advisory groups created or supported by BVCA
- 5 individuals purchased their own home in their community—leveraging \$190,900 privately with \$46,600 in down-payment assistance. First-Time Homebuyer Education was also provided.

OUTCOME #4: BVCA PARTNERSHIP PARTNERS WITH LOCAL AND STATEWIDE SUPPORTERS AND PROVIDERS OF SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME PEOPLE.

Expanding Opportunities Through Community-Wide Partnerships

This category reflects the number of organizations, both public and private, that BVCA Partnership actively works with to expand resources and opportunities in order to achieve family and community outcomes.

- BVCA collaborated with 356 organizations to promote family and community outcomes.
- BVCA programs provided 44 various Community Education presentations to 1,036 participants.

OUTCOME #5: BVCA PARTNERSHIP INCREASED ITS CAPACITY TO ACHIEVE RESULTS BY BROADENING ITS RESOURCE BASE.

Agency Development

This category reflects the number of human capital resources available to BVCA Partnership that increases the agency's capacity to achieve family and community outcomes.



- 1 CCAP (Certified Community Action Professional)
- 1 Child Development Trainer
- 1 Tax Wise Trainer
- 121 staff participated in trainings for a total of 7,195 hours.
- 31 Board Members participated in trainings for a total of 120 hours.

OUTCOME #6: BVCA PARTNERSHIP ASSISTED VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN ACHIEVING POTENTIAL BY STRENGTHENING FAMILY AND OTHER SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTS.



Independent Living

This category reflects the number of vulnerable individuals receiving services from BVCA Partnership who maintain an independent living situation as a result of those services.

- 1,349 senior citizens are able to continue living independently.
- 1,179 individuals with disabilities are able to live independently.
- 952 individuals were able to live independently by receiving food through BVCA's Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP).

Service Counts

This category reflects the number of services provided to low-income individuals and families.

- 14,846 boxes of food were distributed.
- 8,332 rides were provided.
- 2,050 were provided with information and referral.



OUTCOME #6: BVCA PARTNERSHIP ASSISTED VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN ACHIEVING POTENTIAL BY STRENGTHENING FAMILY AND OTHER SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTS.



Family Supports

This category reflects the number low-income people who are unable to work, especially seniors, adults with disabilities, and caregivers, for whom barriers to family stability are reduced or eliminated.

- 7 children were enrolled in before or after school programs.
- 7 obtained care for child or other dependent.
- 82 obtained access to reliable transportation and/or driver's license.
- 8 obtained health care services for themselves or a family member.
- 37 obtained safe and affordable housing.
- 1,424 obtained food assistance.
- 6 obtained non-emergency LIHEAP energy assistance.
- 82 obtained non-emergency Weatherization energy assistance.
- 2 obtained other non-emergency energy assistance.

Emergency Assistance

This category reflects the number of low-income individuals or families that sought and received emergency assistance from BVCA Partnership.

- 250 households per month requested food assistance.
- 818 individuals were assisted with energy or utility payments.
- 373 individuals received rent or mortgage assistance to avoid eviction.
- 13 individuals received emergency assistance with car or home repair.
- 89 individuals were provided with temporary shelter.
- 11 individuals received emergency medical care.
- 94 individuals were provided with transportation.
- 6 individuals were provided disaster relief from house fires and extreme weather conditions.
- 142 individuals received emergency clothing.



OUTCOME #6: BVCA PARTNERSHIP ASSISTED VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN ACHIEVING POTENTIAL BY STRENGTHENING FAMILY AND OTHER SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTS.

Child and Family Development

This category reflects the number of infants, children, youth, parents and other adults participating in the developmental or enrichment programs who achieve program goals.



Nutrition

- 1,118 infants and children’s health and physical development are improved as a result of adequate nutrition via the CSFP and WIC programs.
- 1467 individuals were enrolled in the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP). This included 1189 elderly individuals, 65 women and 213 children.
- Head Start provided 49,060 meals and 14,346 snacks to children. Blue River Child Development Program provided 26,505 meals and 11,924 snacks to children.
- 2,130 infants and children’s health and physical development are improved as a result of adequate nutrition.

Juvenile Services

- 629 youth improved their health and physical development by obtaining age-appropriate immunizations and/or participating in FYI Center programs.
- 194 youth improved their social and emotional development and avoided risk-taking behavior through participation in FYI Center programs.
- 12 youth have reduced involvement with the criminal justice system.
- 46 youth increased academic, athletic or social skills for school success.
- 194 at-risk youth not yet within the justice system were supported with educational outreach.
- Drug prevention was provided in three public schools.
- AmeriCorps members hosted 6 community conversations focusing on youth substance abuse, 3 youth dances and 4 service clubs.
- 282 students were registered in after school programming at the FYI Center.
- 47 students were involved in the Homework Assistance Program. Also, at the request of the school, 2 youth received specialized tutoring.



- 94 students utilized the Computer Lab.
- 9 children were served through the diversion program.
- 11 youth are currently members of the Youth Leadership Council.
- 17 youth attended various conferences sponsored by BVCA Partnership.
- Bullying Prevention was presented to 42 students.
- 57 youth were served by the Project Santa program.
- 60 youth were active in the President's Physical Fitness Challenge.

OUTCOME #6: BVCA PARTNERSHIP ASSISTED VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN ACHIEVING POTENTIAL BY STRENGTHENING FAMILY AND OTHER SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTS.

Child and Family Development Continued...

This category reflects the number of infants, children, youth, parents and other adults participating in the developmental or enrichment programs who achieve program goals.



- 138 women received free clinical breast exams, mammograms and assistance with transportation and interpreting for any follow-up medical appointments.
- 450 individuals were provided services via the Hispanic Healthcare Project.

- 1,125 individuals were enrolled in the WIC Program. This included 220 women and 905 children.
- Infants and children obtained age appropriate immunizations, medical and dental care.
 - 266 Head Start and 67 Early Head Start received medical exams.
 - 279 Head Start and 6 Early Head Start received dental exams.
 - 67 infants in Early Head Start received dental screenings.
- 1,098 individuals were immunized, including 267 Head Start and 86 Early Head Start age 0-5; and 629 youth aged 6-17.

Health Services



Children Services



- Head Start enrolled 285 children from 263 families. A total of 1,100 family members were served. The Head Start waiting list totaled 134 on the first day of classes and 155 on the last day of classes.
- Early Head Start enrolled 94 children and 15 adults. A total of 78 families were enrolled, for a total of 314 family members. The Early Head Start waiting list totaled 44 on the first day of classes and 62 on the last day of classes.
- The Blue River Child Development Program served 189 children. 27 Families have more than on child enrolled. BRCDP is open approximately 70.5 hours per week to accommodate the needs of working parents.
- 365 children participated in pre-school activities to develop school readiness skills, of which 222 are now developmentally ready to enter Kindergarten or 1st Grade.
- 260 parents and other adults learned and exhibit improved parenting skills.
- 248 parents and other adults learned and exhibit improved family functioning skills.



2009-2010 Client Data



Our Mission

Overcoming Poverty by Helping People,
Improving Lives and Strengthening Communities.

Our Vision

Our vision is that communities are safe and supportive; differences and traditions are respected; individuals and families are financially secure; and everyone has opportunities to develop their potential.

Family Structure

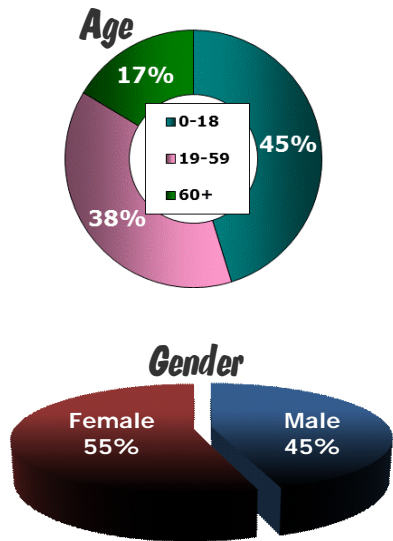
The average community family size is 2.55 people per household compared to the average BVCA client family size of 2.6.

Family Size:

37%	One Person
18%	Two Persons
11%	Three Persons
13%	Four Persons
10%	Five Persons
5%	Six Persons
3%	Seven Persons
3%	Eight or More Persons

Household Types:

24%	Two Parents
20%	Single Parent
10%	Couple, No Children
39%	Single Persons
7%	Other

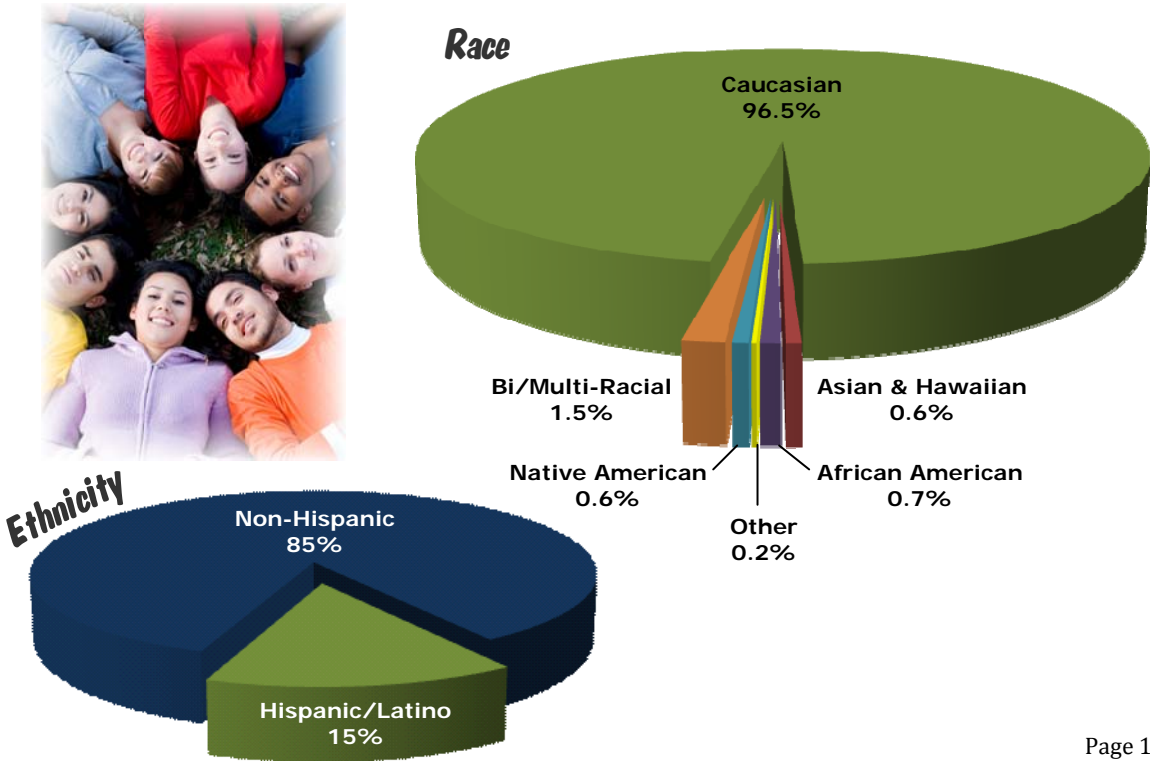


Our Core Values

- INTEGRITY** Demonstrates the highest standards of professionalism and personal ethics.
- DEDICATION** Committed to conducting business in an accountable and responsible manner.
- CARING** Treating people with compassion and empathy.
- VISIONARY** Using futuristic approaches to arrive at innovative and creative solutions.
- RESPECTFUL** Valuing the inherent worth of all people. Creating an environment free of prejudice and discrimination.

TOP ADVOCACY ISSUES 2010
ADOPTED BY THE BVCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Promote job creation policies and legislation.
- Promote living wage and minimum wage increases.
- Promote rural equity in human service opportunities.
- Promote broader coverage of residents by human service programs by increasing the eligibility criteria whenever possible.
- Support healthy lifestyle opportunities for low-income families and individuals.
- Encourage favorable taxation policy towards low-income and non-profit organizations.
- Support the right of low-income to have adequate legal counsel.
- Oppose immediate removal of benefits when a person or family initially comes out of poverty on their road to self-sufficiency.
- Support a streamlined process toward becoming a U.S. Citizen.
- Support healthcare that offers affordable universal coverage.
- Oppose limitations on healthcare, whether it is pre-existing conditions, denial of benefits, reductions of benefits, restrictions on prevention, or excessive costs.



Poverty Among BVCA's Clients' Families

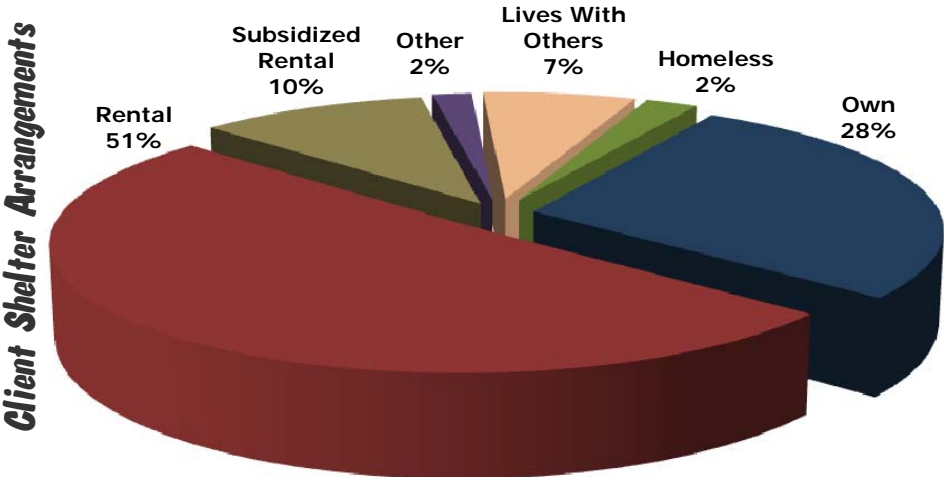
Percent of the Poverty Rate and Percent of BVCA clients at that rate:

50% or less	28%	101%-125%	18%
51%-75%	18%	126%-150%	7%
76%-100%	22%	151% or higher	7%
	68%		32%

What does it mean in real dollars for a family of four?

- *50% of poverty is \$11,175 gross
- *100% of poverty is \$22,350 gross
- *125% of poverty is \$27,937.50 gross

Current minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour or \$15,080 full-time gross, significantly below the poverty rate. Even at \$10.00 per hour, the wage for a family of four would be \$20,800 still well below the poverty rate.



The Promise of Community Action

Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

Education

5%	College/Tech Graduates
9%	High School Graduates w/ Some College
27%	High School Graduates/GED
16%	Non-graduating Adults
23%	Current K-12 Students
20%	Preschool and Younger



The Seven Principles of Community Action

- OPENING DOORS AND LEADING THE WAY** We provide access to the opportunities people need to improve their lives, to help themselves and each other.
- TURNING HOPE INTO REALITY** We identify the needs of the entire community, collaborate with others in the community and take action to improve life for everyone in the community.
- EMPATHIZING** Our staff and volunteers are from the community they serve.
- TREATING PEOPLE WITH RESPECT** We treat people the way we want to be treated.
- SAYING "YES"** If we do not provide the needed service, we will link you to those who do.
- GIVING A VOICE TO THE POOR** Through our advocacy, we seek to make society more flexible and responsive to the needs of the poor.
- MIRRORING THE DIVERSITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES** Our local boards include low-income people, local public officials, business and community groups.

Insurance	% of Clients	Change From FY '09
SCHIP-Children's Health Insurance Pool	29.64%	+.04
Medicaid	8.89%	-1.51
Medicare	5.10%	-1.8
Medicare & Medicaid	5.99%	-4.71
Medicare, Medicaid & Private	3.23%	+3.23*
Native American Health	.09%	-.01
Veterans Administration	.98%	-.02
Private Coverage	15.44%	+2.44
No Insurance	29.64%	+1.44
Unknown	.99%	+.99*

*Not separately tracked previously.

Healthcare

2010 Community Survey

Community Action surveyed over 10,000 Nebraskans in 2010. In BVCA Partnership’s area there was a 40% return on the surveys and the numbers exposed some interesting attitudes.

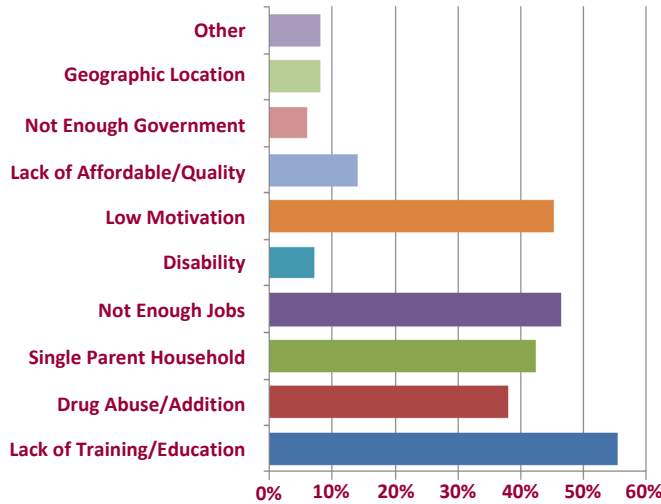
Perceptions about Poverty

This survey asked respondents to identify the top three causes of poverty. Overall, the respondent viewpoint was that poverty is caused by: lack of training and education (NE 56%; BVCA 55%); low motivation (NE 51%; BVCA 45%); drug abuse and addiction (NE 37%; BVCA, 39%); single parent households (NE 37%; BVCA 42%); and not enough jobs (NE 35%; BVCA 46%).

In the statewide analysis, perceptions about poverty vary by income; in particular, those in higher income levels are more likely to say that poverty is the result of low motivation. Other surveys with questions about poverty find the public divided about the causes of poverty, with about half saying the poor are not doing enough to help themselves out of poverty, and the other half attributing poverty to circumstances beyond the control of the poor. In the results of this survey, that difference appears to be based upon levels of income.



BVCA: Perceptions About Poverty



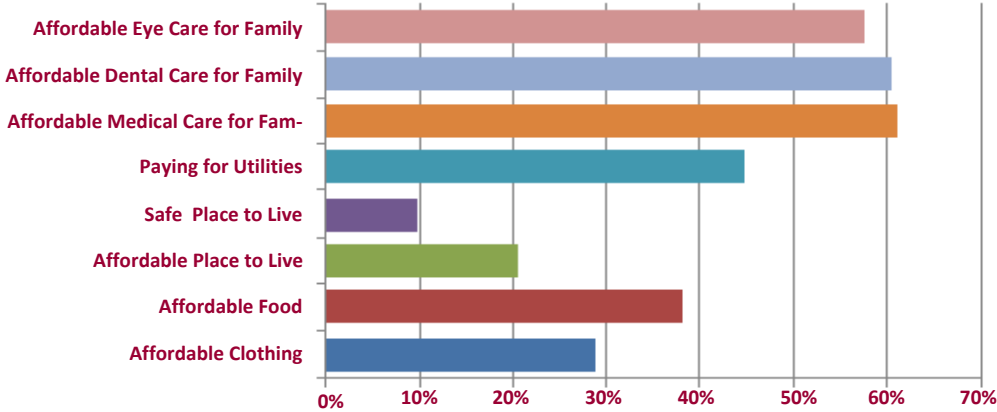
21ST Century Poverty in Nebraska

	2000 Census % in Poverty	2005-2009 Average % in Poverty	Change
Butler County	8.2%	9.4%	↑ 1.2
Fillmore County	7.8%	10.3%	↑ 2.5
Gage County	8.7%	12.2%	↑ 3.5
Jefferson County	8.9%	12.1%	↑ 3.2
Polk County	5.8%	7.7%	↑ 1.9
Saline County	9.4%	9.8%	↑ 0.4
Seward County	7.0%	8.9%	↑ 1.9
Thayer County	10.7%	15.0%	↑ 4.3
York County	8.5%	8.2%	↓ 0.3

Meeting Basic Needs

Survey Respondents were asked about the difficulties they have experienced meeting basic needs which encompassed health related items, along with essentials such as food, clothing and housing. Basic household expenses were a problem for over one-third of respondents: Affordable Food (NE 41%; BVCA 38%); Affordable Clothing (NE 35%; BVCA 29%). Nearly half (NE 44%; BVCA 45%) reported problems keeping up with utility costs, while a lower proportion (NE 18%; BVCA 10%) reported difficulty finding a safe place to live. The highest rated issues were all related to healthcare: affordability of medical, dental and eye care. All were ranked in the high 50-60% range.

BVCA: Problems Meeting Basic Needs



Barriers to Employment

	BVCA Area	Rural NE	Urban NE	NE Totals
Inadequate Transportation	2%	8%	5%	6.5%
Health Problems/Disability	20%	29%	24%	26.5%
Lack of Education	6%	7%	17%	11%
Lack of Job Skills	6%	12%	13%	12%
Lack of Available Jobs	43%	27%	36%	31%
Lack of Childcare	24%	7%	21%	13%
No Longer Seeking Employment	27%	24%	46%	36%



Financial Resources & Expenses

PRIVATE REVENUES:

In-kind Donations	\$628,798.71
Cash Donations	\$97,091.95
United Way Awards	\$38,395.14
Foundation Awards	\$9,315.22
Local Projects	\$199,375.40
Contracts	\$84,992.23
Fees	\$579,129.85
Rents	\$409,392.62
Corporate investments	\$331,596.72
TOTAL:	<u>\$2,378,087.84</u>

FEDERAL DIRECT:

USDA CSFP Commodities Value	\$205,593.32
CNCS Foster Grandparents	\$264,540.06
HHS Head Start	\$1,880,260.29
HHS Early Head Start	\$496,607.13
HHS Head Start ARRA	\$140,980.18
HHS Early Head Start ARRA	\$675,994.79
HUD Supportive Housing	\$190,425.83
HUD HMIS	<u>\$23,930.92</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$3,878,332.52</u>

STATE REVENUES:

NE HTF SE Regional Rehab	\$84,217.48
NE HTF Home Ownership Program	\$44,483.27
NE Housing Trust Fund-Midtown	\$43,000.00
NE Housing Trust Fund-Shady Elm	\$30,319.00
NE Homeless Assistance Trust Fund	<u>\$72,358.25</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$274,378.00</u>

FEDERAL VIA STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

<i>HHS via:</i>	
Region V Systems	\$12,372.34
Region V-SPF/SIG	\$9,690.76
NDHHS Minority Health	\$26,420.73
NDHHS Immunization Action	\$27,965.94
NDHHS Healthy Weights	\$58,962.90
NDHHS CSBG	\$282,954.53
NDHHS CSBG ARRA	\$459,395.86
NDHHS NEO Weatherization	\$243,822.38
NDEd Early Childhood Initiative	\$33,526.19

DOE via:

NEO Weatherization	\$212,896.26
NEO Weatherization ARRA	\$733,836.17

USDA via:

NDEd Childhood & Adult Food	\$128,319.32
NDHHS WIC	\$810,364.00
NDHHS CSFP (except for commodities)	\$109,014.30

HUD via:

DED Emergency Shelter Grant Program	\$36,050.80
DHHS-HPRP ARRA	\$420,164.09

DOT via:

NDoR Fillmore County Rural Transit	\$73,057.39
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CNCS via:

ServeNebraska	<u>\$5,105.31</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$3,683,919.27</u>

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT:

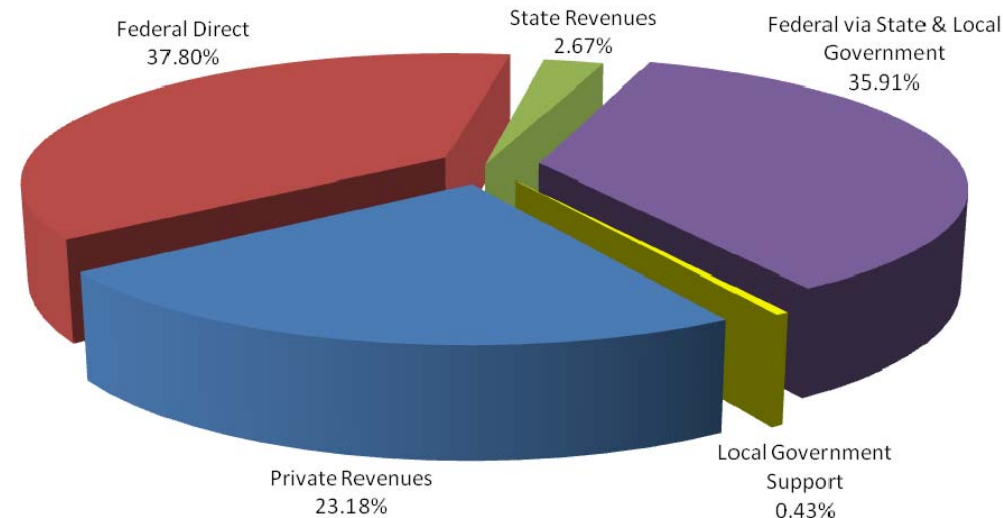
County Support	\$37,365.00
Juvenile Services Aid	<u>\$6,901.69</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$44,266.69</u>



BVCA'S 2009-2010

TOTAL REVENUES:

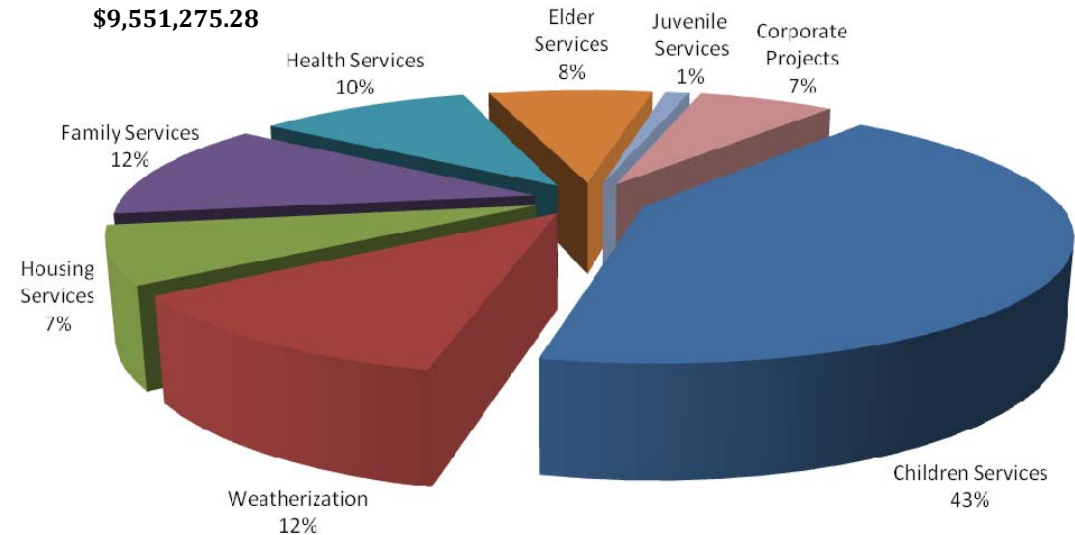
\$10,258,984.32



BVCA'S 2009-2010

TOTAL EXPENSES:

\$9,551,275.28



BVCA Partnership acts as the general partner in nine limited partnerships with private investors. (see chart below.)

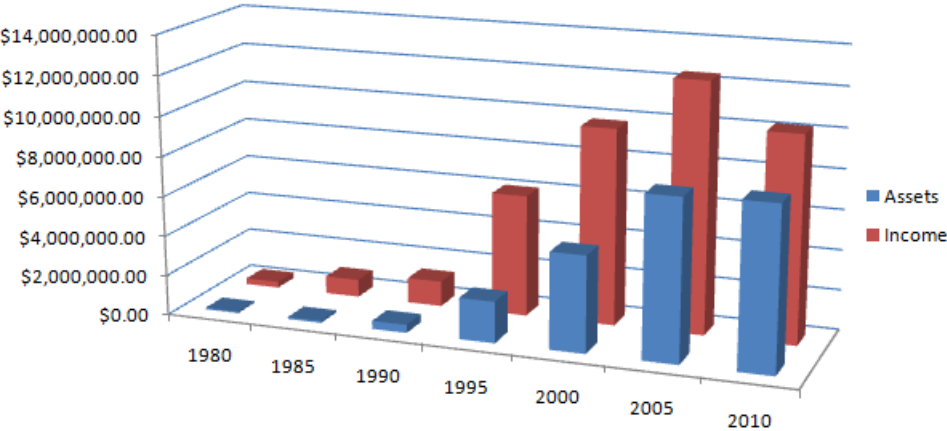
<u>REAL ESTATE LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS*</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Assets</u>
East Meadows, Ltd., Crete	\$36,202	\$380,756
West Meadows, Ltd., Crete	\$31,110	\$381,782
Pinegrove, Ltd., Wymore	\$22,280	\$344,602
Trailview, Ltd., Hebron	\$20,645	\$373,990
New Horizon, Ltd., Beatrice	\$59,966	\$860,473
Prairie Woods CROWN, Ltd., York & Geneva	\$80,078	\$1,210,686
Blue Terrace CROWN, Ltd., Crete	\$84,369	\$1,722,366
Sunset CROWN, Ltd., Beatrice	\$96,847	\$1,090,257
York CROWN, Ltd., York	\$65,571	\$1,903,059
Total	\$497,068	\$8,267,971

**Not included in BVCA audit, as each is a separate company.*

<i>BVCA's 2009-2010 Beginning of the Year Net Assets:</i>	<i>BVCA's 2009-2010 End of the Year Net Assets:</i>
<i>\$3,681,517.66</i>	<i>\$4,389,226.68</i>

BVCA's Income & Assets

In 1966, BVCA began with a Head Start Grant and a Community Action Grant totaling \$28,000. Assets totaled \$0.00.



BVCA Partnership Leverage

- BVCA Partnership’s core funding is the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG). \$305,575 was granted last year, which is 3% of BVCA’s budget. For every dollar of CSBG over \$35.25 were leveraged.
- For every \$1.00 a local government contributes, BVCA returns over \$274.50 to the community.
- Over \$24,881 of gaming revenue was generated.
- Volunteers donated enough time to relieve the organization from expending at least \$527,800 on personnel costs. These funds were not available, so the donated hours increased the organization’s capacity significantly, by an equivalent of 35 FTEs for all 12 months.
- Value of contributions of clothing and other goods to thrift stores totaled \$1,462,149.



BVCA Partnership’s Donors

BVCA Partnership would like to extend a special “thank you” to those generous individuals, corporations, foundations, civic clubs, congregations and governmental entities who help make our mission of “Helping People, Changing Lives” a reality. This list represents only the individuals, business and organizations that have made monetary donations over \$100. We also appreciate the many smaller donors and those who have made in-kind contributions.

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Programs & Services Offered

AmeriCorp/VISTA: A national service program allowing people of all ages to earn educational assistance in exchange for a year of community service. *Available: Varies*

Child Care: Infant, toddler, pre-school, before- and after-school childcare at a multi-shift setting. *Available: Saline County*

Clothing/Household Items Recycling: Community donations are available to the public for a small handling fee. *Available: Butler, Fillmore, Jefferson, Polk, Seward, Thayer, & York Counties*

Commodity Supplemental Food Program: To foster good health & nutrition, government purchased surplus food commodities are distributed to income eligible families with children to age 6, women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or have given birth within the last 12 months, & persons 60 years and older. *Available: All Counties: Sites at David City, Fairbury, York, Hebron, Beatrice, Crete & Humboldt*

Diversity Education: Provides training to staff and communities. Raising awareness of cultural differences within our society. Focusing on differences in race, religion, ethnicity and socioeconomics. *Available: All counties*

Early Childhood Collaboration: Provides professional development and support to home-based, center-based, and child care staff to improve quality care. *Available: Crete, Fairbury, Beatrice, Deshler, Thayer Central and York*

Early Head Start: A home-based program for pregnant women and families with children ages 0-3 that focuses on parent education, comprehensive health services and nutrition. *Available: Fillmore, Thayer, Gage & Saline Counties*

Emergency Assistance: Donated funds are used to assist low-income people with small emergencies. *Available: All Counties*

Fairbury Youth Involvement Center: Safe, supervised activities after-school for youth 5-18 in Fairbury area. *Available: Fairbury*

Farmer's Markets: Homemade & homegrown products are sold by producers during the summer & early fall. *Available: Fairbury*

First-Time Home Buyer Assistance Project: Down-payment assistance for first-time homebuyers. *Available: All Counties*

Food Pantries: Community groups & individuals donate non-perishable food & paper products & funds to purchase perishable items that are distributed to families/individuals in emergency situations. *Available: All Counties*

Foster Grandparent Program: Provides opportunities for low-income persons, 60 years & older, to give supportive person-to-person service to help alleviate the physical, mental, or emotional problems of children having exceptional or special needs. *Available: Fillmore, Saline, Thayer, York, Gage Counties and surrounding counties*

Head Start: A nationally renowned child development program for preschool children ages 3 to 5, which stresses parent involvement, education, social services & health. *Available: Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Saline, Seward, Thayer & York Counties in Nebraska: Smith County in Kansas*

Hispanic Healthcare Project: Provides case management for pregnant and post-partum Hispanic women by helping to navigate the healthcare system, and enroll in programs that will improve health outcome for mom and baby. *Available: Saline County*

Homeless Assistance: Homeless individuals/families can obtain emergency food, clothing, shelter &/or transportation. Other services may include locating permanent housing & referrals to other agencies for identified needs. *Available: All Counties*

Holiday Projects: Volunteers, community groups & local businesses donate time, materials, food, toys, skills & love which are used in a variety of seasonal holiday projects, especially at Christmas, benefiting low-income individuals & families. *Available: All Counties*

Housing Development: Construction of affordable rental housing units &/or lease-to-own units. *Available: All communities where needs assessments indicate a need for housing.*

Housing Rentals: Affordable rental housing properties are available to income eligible families. In some locations, Lease-To-Own is an option. *Available: Butler, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Polk, Saline, Thayer & York Counties*

Housing Rehabilitation Services: Low & moderate income homeowners are offered low-interest loans &/or forgivable loans to rehabilitate homes to meet health & safety needs, limited by type or extent of work needed. *Available: All Counties*

HPRP: The Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing Program focuses on stabilizing housing through temporary assistance serving as a bridge to long-term stability. *Availability: All counties*

Income Tax Return Preparation: Free preparation of simple income tax returns is available to increase the access to Earned Income Tax Credits and Child Tax Credits. *Available: All Counties*

Immunization Clinics: Children, ages 2 months to 21 years, are immunized with serum provided by the NE Department of Health & through cooperation with local nurses, hospitals, community groups, individuals, doctors & BVCA. *Available: Jefferson, Saline & Seward Counties; Sites - Fairbury, Crete, Friend, Wilber & Seward*

Information and Referral Services: Local staff provides needed information regarding services, make appropriate referrals to community organizations, agencies & other resources & complete follow-up services. *Available: All Counties*

Project FIRST (Families in Residence with Support in Transition): Homeless families engage in family development process to achieve self-sufficiency & permanent housing. Transitional housing is provided in scattered site rental units. *Available: All Counties*

Project FOCUS (Families Opting For Change Using Strengths): Families engage in family development process to initiate positive change in their lives. The process is client-driven, strength-based & goal-oriented. *Available: All Counties*

Rural Transportation/Transit Services: County-wide transportation services within and out-of-the-county are available for a small fee for general public. *Available: Fillmore County*

Temporary Emergency Shelter: Mini-shelters are available for displaced persons who suffer loss of homes due to fire, tornadoes, transience, domestic disputes or homelessness. Shelters are guarded & locations are confidential. *Available: Gage, Jefferson & York Counties*

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers become involved in advisory groups, fund-raising, holiday projects & many other opportunities. *Available: All Counties*

Weatherization: Provides no cost weatherization of homes to income eligible families. This may include: heating systems tuned and cleaned or replacement; insulation of attics, walls, and foundations; and windows and doors repaired or replaced. *Available: All Counties*

Women, Infants & Children (WIC): A health/nutrition program for at-risk breastfeeding, pregnant & postpartum women, infants & children to age 5. After medical & nutritional screening, vouchers are given to certified individuals for food from local stores. *Available: Fillmore, Saline Seward & York Counties; Sites - Geneva, Crete, Seward & York*

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Our private non-profit charitable corporation has become a major community resource for those in need throughout the area. It would not have happened without dedicated staff, community support and the hundreds of volunteers who assist us every year. As we celebrate our 45th year, we sincerely thank and acknowledge the generosity and community spirit of the people of Nebraska and Kansas who are our fantastic neighbors and friends.

