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51 Years of Community Action!

1966-2017



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BVCA Partnership

Committed to serving the needs of individuals and families in the counties of Butler, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Polk, Saline, Seward, Thayer and York in Nebraska. Limited services provided in other counties.

A Message from BVCA's CEO

Blue Valley Community Action Partnership has completed its 51st year of operation and is well into the new fiscal year. It is a bitter sweet time as this is my last as the CEO of Blue Valley Community Action Partnership after over four decades with this organization. As I prepare for my retirement, I am reassured to know that I leave the organization in the very capable hands of Shari Wurtz-Miller, my Deputy Director and our Board of Directors' designated CEO elect.

As a private not-for-profit corporation, Blue Valley Community Action Partnership has assisted thousands of needy Nebraskans over these decades, as well as several Kansans, and now Iowans.

We have helped those without housing, those low on funds to buy food and clothing, and those who needed to have their home improved to meet health and safety requirements for their family. We have transported folks to medical appointments, to meet shopping needs, and children to school. We have provided early childhood education and child development to newborns and preschoolers, afterschool services to teenagers, and scholarship and community services opportunities to youth going on to college. We offer financial literacy to youth and adults to help them understand how to live by budgets, how to save, and how to improve credit scores. We have built housing with affordable rent or for a lease-to-own option. We have built community centers for communities, and helped secure funds for other community projects such as a senior center, a water tower, clearing abandoned property for industrial expansions, etc.

This annual report indicates some of our current efforts and what we have accomplished in this past year. We hope you will review it and find an area where you can join us to work for the betterment of our area.

"Helping people, improving lives, and strengthening communities" is our mission. We take it seriously and we encourage the entire community to work with us as partners to improve the lives and communities that make up this great Blue Valley region of Nebraska.

51 years of
Helping People & Changing Lives



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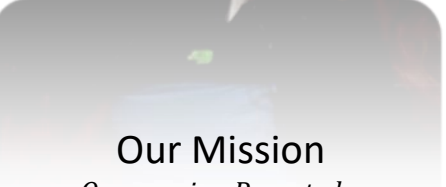
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Our Mission

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

TOP ADVOCACY ISSUES 2017

ADOPTED BY THE BVCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS



- Support policies that reward those on the road to self-sufficiency.
 - Support prioritization of programs that move toward the goal of self-sufficiency, while ensuring a safety net.
 - Support public policy to increase potential income generation and opportunities.
- Promote education and the tools necessary to bring individuals up to a living wage.
 - Promote financial literacy education.
 - Support public education regarding discrimination against the low-income.
- Promote job creation programs, policies and legislation.
 - Support equal pay for equal work.
- Promote rural equity in human service opportunities.
- Promote less reliance on government by motivating the non-government sector to invest in charitable endeavors.
- Encourage favorable taxation policy towards low-income tax-payers and charitable organizations.
- Support healthy lifestyle opportunities for low-income families and individuals.
 - Support healthcare that offers affordable universal coverage.
- Support multi-year federal budgeting, similar to state two year cycle.
- Support a streamlined process toward becoming a U.S. Citizen.
- Support the right of low-income to have adequate legal counsel.



Terry Keslar
 Board President
 2017



Richard Nation
 Chief Executive Officer
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Client Demographics

FY 2017



*During FY 2017
BVCA Partnership served
8,107 individuals.*

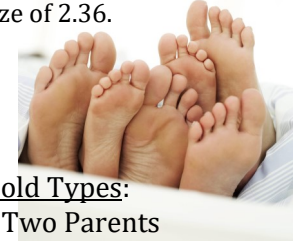


Family Structure

The average community family size is 2.55 people per household compared to the average BVCA client family size of 2.36.

Family Size:

41%	One Person
17%	Two Persons
9%	Three Persons
8%	Four Persons
5%	Five Persons
2%	Six Persons
1%	Seven Persons
1%	Eight or More Persons
16%	Unknown/No Answer



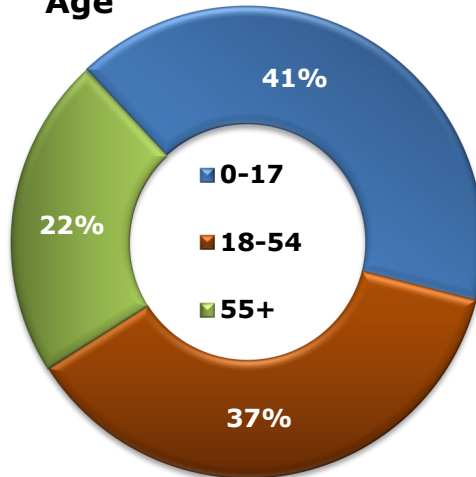
Household Types:

16%	Two Parents
14%	Single Parent
8%	Couple, No Children
41%	Single Persons
5%	Other
16%	Unknown/No Answer

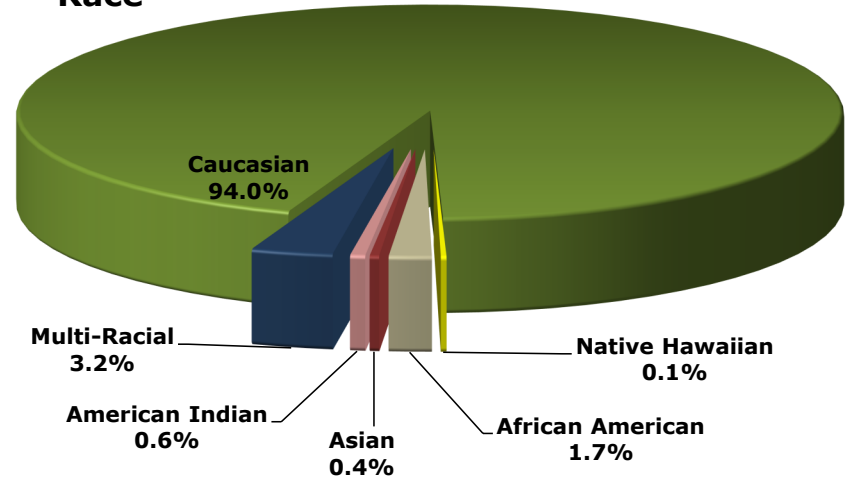
Our Vision

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.

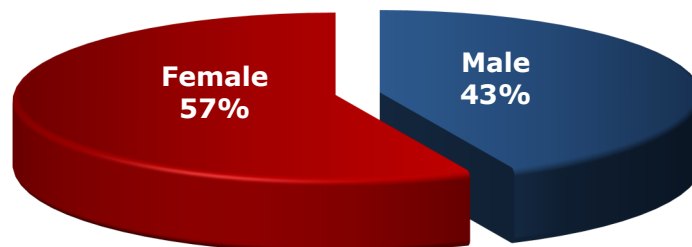
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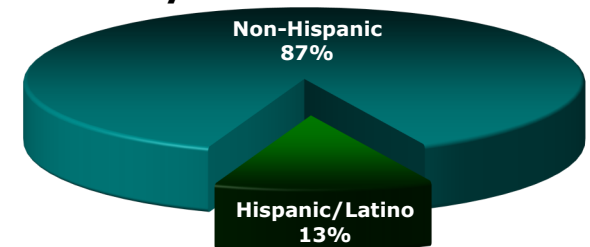
Race



Gender



Ethnicity



Poverty Among BVCA's Clients' Families

Percent of the poverty rate and percent of BVCA clients at that rate:

50% or less	23%	101%-125%	22%
51%-75%	14%	126%-200%	13%
76%-100%	25%	201% or higher	3%
	62%		38%

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

- * 50% of poverty is \$12,300 gross
- * 100% of poverty is \$24,600 gross
- * 125% of poverty is \$30,750 gross

Current minimum wage is \$9.00 per hour or \$18,720 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.



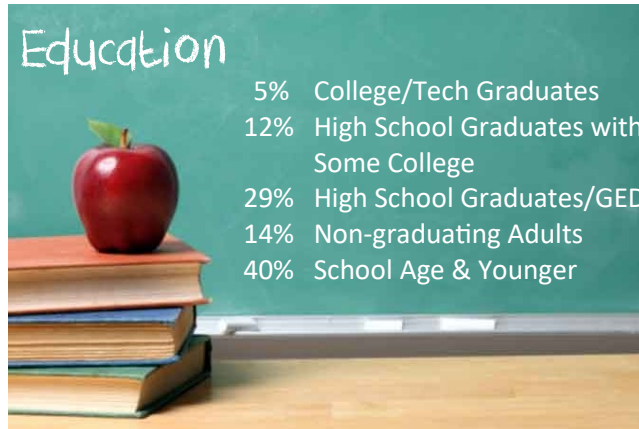
WORKFORCE

% of clients

Employed (either full or part-time)	53.7%
Self-Employed	1.6%
Receiving Workers' Compensation	.4%
Receiving Unemployment Compensation	.9%
Retired	43.4%

Education

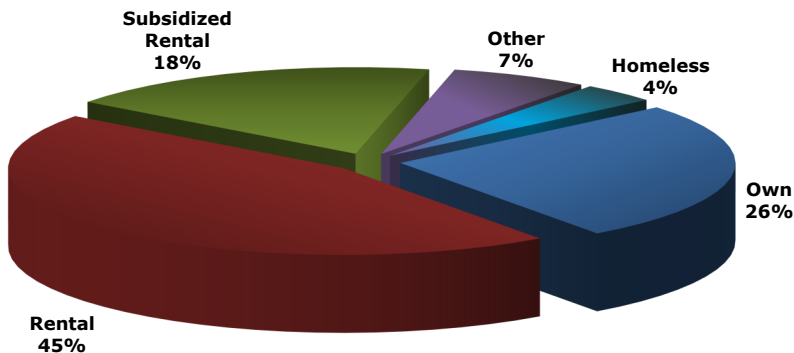
5%	College/Tech Graduates
12%	High School Graduates with Some College
29%	High School Graduates/GED
14%	Non-graduating Adults
40%	School Age & Younger



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.

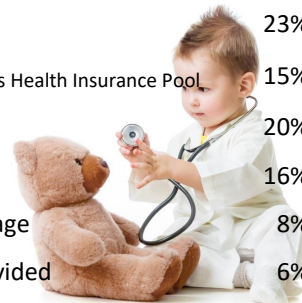
Client Shelter Arrangements



Insurance

% of Clients Change From FY 2016

No Insurance	23%	+10%
SCHIP-Children's Health Insurance Pool	15%	-4%
Medicaid	20%	+3%
Medicare	16%	+2%
Private Coverage	8%	-8%
Employer Provided	6%	-1%
Veterans Administration	2%	-3%
Multiple Sources of Insurance	10%	+1%



Programs—A Year In Review

FY 2017



The National Community Action Goals

Goal 1: Individuals and families with low incomes are stable and achieve economic security.

Goal 2: Communities where people with low incomes live are healthy and offer economic opportunity.

Goal 3: People with low incomes are engaged and active in building opportunities in communities.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Available: All BVCA Counties

Individuals and families are assisted with emergency requests including housing provision, transportation, prescriptions and various small emergencies.

- Number of individuals receiving emergency assistance:
 - Rent: 293
 - Medical Care: 14
 - Utility: 869
 - Transportation: 80
 - Shelter: 99
 - Clothing/Diapers: 51
- Unduplicated number for all these services total 1,263 individuals in 780 households.

PROJECT FIRST (FAMILIES IN RESIDENCE WITH SUPPORT IN TRANSITION)

Availability: All BVCA Counties

Homeless families with children engage in the family development process to achieve self-sufficiency and housing stability through scattered site housing in the community of their choice.

- 13 families with 41 family members (18 adults and 23 children) were served.
- Of the persons entering FIRST during the year, 17 of 18 came from emergency shelter.
- Program goal results included:
 - 19 of 22 individuals who exited the program remained in permanent housing.
 - 4 of 4 households with debt of \$37,000 reduced it by \$9,450 (25.5%).
 - 66% of households contributed to their savings account.
 - 4 households saved \$1,631.99.
 - 4 of 11 adults increased their income from entry to exit an average of \$1,083.25 for a gain of 36%.

FOOD SECURITY PROGRAMS

Available: All BVCA Counties

Individuals and families who are facing a shortage of food are assisted through donations from generous individuals, communities and organizations. There are various options for securing food.

- 2,080 individuals/534 households received food assistance.
- 8,894 food boxes were distributed.
- While most food is donated, some items must be purchased (i.e. milk, meat, paper products and hygiene products). During FY 2017, BVCA spent \$13,076.31 on additional items.
- In addition, Walmart donated 291,669 pounds of food (bakery items, fresh fruits and vegetables) to BVCA's Fillmore, Jefferson, Seward and York food pantries, which was distributed as part of the Feeding America program. An average of 1,291 individuals are served each month.
- Each month an additional 135 individuals received food through the Mobile Food Pantry.

COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM (CSFP)

Available: All BVCA Counties as well as Johnson, Nemaha, Pawnee and Richardson Counties; Permanent distribution sites at David City, Fairbury, York, Hebron, Beatrice, and Humboldt; Tailgate distribution sites at Crete and Wilber Government purchased food commodities are distributed to eligible individuals age 60 or older to foster good health and nutrition. Food packages focus on supplementing the diets of seniors with protein, iron, calcium, vitamin A and vitamin C. Products included in the food package are canned fruits and vegetables, bottled juices, peanut butter or dried beans, cheese, shelf-stable and non-fat dry milk, hot and cold cereals, pasta, rice and canned meat.

- A total of 1,069 individuals were enrolled:
 - 1,068 elderly individuals enrolled.
 - 1 child enrolled. Previously, some women and children were eligible for CSFP, but because Congress changed the Farm Bill, they are no longer able to apply. Those enrolled in CSFP as of 2/6/14 were allowed to stay on the program until they are no longer eligible according to the previous age guidelines.
- A total of 9,896 monthly food packages were distributed.
- 265 individuals received home deliveries bi-monthly via 23 delivery routes, 10 of which are covered by volunteers.
- USDA value of food distributed through BVCA: \$167,359.84/year or \$13,946.65/month
- Retail value of food distributed through BVCA: \$371,567.93/year or \$30,963.99/month
- Average retail value of food given each participant per month: \$34.44

SNAP OUTREACH

Available: All BVCA Counties

BVCA Partnership is partnering with the "Food Bank for the Heartland" to increase awareness, provide education, and increase participation in SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program). BVCA staff will assist applicants with the online SNAP application.

- Staff assisted individuals by filing over 120 new applications, sending in verifications, and following up on cases.
- Outreach was provided at CSFP clinics as it helps with follow-up and identifying the vulnerable population.

CLOTHING AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS DISTRIBUTION

Available: Butler, Fillmore, Jefferson, Polk, Thayer, Seward and York Counties

Community donations of clothing and household items are available to the general public for a small handling fee at the BVCA Centers in David City, Geneva, Fairbury, Hebron, York, Osceola and Seward.

- 36 individuals received free clothing.



The Seven Principles of Community Action

OPENING DOORS & 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.

PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT

Available: All BVCA Counties

Bundled employment preparation and placement opportunities including preparing for and getting a job, on-the-job training, and increasing job skills/competencies.

- 125 individuals were unemployed and got a job.
- 18 obtained skills/competencies required for employment.
- 35 obtained increase in employment income/benefits.
- 12 achieved “living wage” employment.

FILLMORE COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT SERVICE

Available: Fillmore County

County-wide transportation services within and out of the county are available for a small fee for the general public.

	FY 2017	Forever
Boardings	5,373	210,585
Days of Service	246	8,715
Miles Traveled	24,826	944,861
Average Monthly Elderly Ridership	226	
Average Monthly Non-elderly Ridership	196	

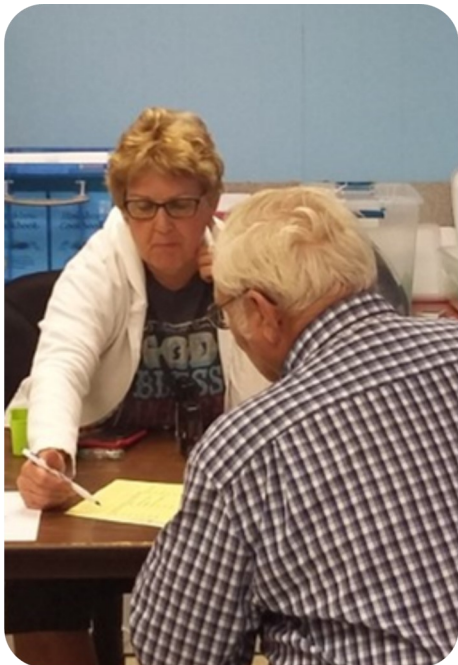
ONE WAY TRIPS			
Shopping	866	Education	724
Medical	647	Nutrition	110
Employment	24	Return Trips	3,002
			Total: 5,373
Total without return trips:			2,371

COMPASSIONATE PROJECTS

Available: All BVCA Counties

Time, materials, food, toys, gifts, skills and love are donated by volunteers, community groups, and local businesses to low-income individuals through seasonal projects.

- 1,158 children participated in various holiday events.
- 177 fans were distributed for the Department of Health & Human Services.
- 168 children participated in “Ready, Set, Go” to help kids prepare for school by providing school supplies, \$10 shoe coupons, hygiene kits, and various health screenings. Hot dog meals were also served during the event.
- 54 youth participated in the Family and Youth Involvement (FYI) Center’s Project Santa, and approximately 162 family members of youth received gifts. The approximate value of Project Santa donated gifts totaled \$810.



“I never gave up. I continued to look for work and now I have a full-time job in my chosen career field.”
 —Head Start Parent

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (SSVF)

Available: All BVCA Counties as well as Cass, Otoe, Johnson, Nemaha, Pawnee, Richardson, Douglas & Sarpy Counties in NE, & Pottawattamie County in IA

The goal of SSVF is to promote housing stability among very low-income Veteran families who reside in or are transitioning to permanent housing. Through provision of outreach and case management, assistance is given to obtain VA benefits and other public benefits.

- 46 individuals (28 adults and 18 children in 20 households) were assisted.
- 30% were homeless; 100% obtained temporary financial assistance (rent, utilities, deposits, etc.).
- 70% were at-risk of becoming homeless; 100% obtained temporary financial assistance (rent, utilities, deposits, etc.).
- 80% were in permanent housing at the time of exit.
- 37 households were screened, but were not eligible for services.
- In September 2017, BVCA's SSVF award for 2017-2018 was increased from \$131,892 to \$394,032. BVCA learned that three additional counties were added to our fifteen county service area beginning October 1, 2017. Those counties are Douglas and Sarpy in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa.

SSI/SSDI OUTREACH, ACCESS & RECOVERY (SOAR)

Availability: All BVCA Counties as well as Saunders, Lancaster, Adams, Clay, Nuckolls, Webster, Nemaha, Cass, Otoe, Johnson, Pawnee and Richardson Counties.

Provides assistance in navigating through the process of applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and/or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI).

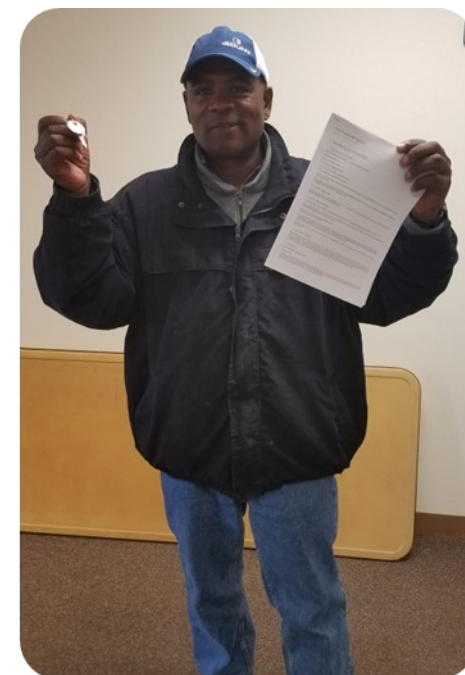
- 10 applications filed.
- 4 applications were approved for SSI/SSDI and 6 denied; 73 days average to initial decision.
- 2 appeals were filed and approved; 49 days to appeal decision.
- Retroactive payments-SS = \$1,470
- Average SSI award/month = \$735
- Average SSDI award = \$908

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS PROGRAM (IDA)

This program ended in 2017 and was available to all BVCA Counties

The program assisted low to moderate income individuals over the age of 16 to work toward economic independence by creating a matched savings account for an asset purchase. Financial literacy training and support was also provided.

- 3 participants were enrolled towards purchasing a home—1 completed, 2 timed out.
- 4 participants were enrolled towards education assistance—2 completed, 2 withdrew.
- 3 participants were enrolled towards starting a business—2 completed, 1 withdrew.



Success Story

After overcoming several obstacles, Lorenzo, a Veteran in the SSVF program, was able to obtain housing after a difficult search in a smaller town that didn't have many housing options. Pictured above is Lorenzo holding his newly signed lease and the keys to his new apartment. Lorenzo said he is grateful for the hand up and hopes to be able to volunteer and help others in the near future.

WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC)

Available: Butler, Fillmore, Polk, Saline, Seward & York Counties

The Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Program provides health and nutrition services for infants, children up to age 5, and at-risk pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women. After medical and nutritional screening, vouchers are given to certified individuals for food from local stores.

- 1,222 individuals were served:
 - 333 women
 - 522 children
 - 367 infants
- 565 referrals to other services were given.
- Car Seat Safety Project:
 - Car seat education was provided to approximately 250 WIC families. BVCA has one staff certified car seat technician who attends clinics. All families with newborns receive a car seat inspection and additional education is given at their recertification visits every six months.

WIC PEER COUNSELING

Available: Butler, Fillmore, Polk, Saline, Seward & York Counties

Provides education and support for pregnant and post-partum women to ensure a successful breastfeeding experience.

- 41 women received services.

MARKETPLACE NAVIGATORS

Available: All BVCA Counties

Local staff members are trained to assist families, individuals, and small businesses with enrollment in health insurance plans under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The Marketplace is a way to compare health coverage from a variety of private insurance companies and select a plan which meets both their needs and their budget.

- 5 BVCA staff have received certification to serve as ACA Marketplace Navigators.
- 35 consumers were assisted with enrolling in a new health plan, renewing their coverage, or filing exemptions.
- 68 consumers were assisted with general inquires, questions about understanding and using health insurance, or assisting with complex cases and marketplace issues.
- Navigators participated in outreach events reaching 75 consumers.
- 201 consumers were reached through appointments, phone calls, presentations and health fairs.
- 1,122 consumers were reached through social media.



“You have been some of my biggest supporters. You’ve encouraged and believed in me when I didn’t believe in myself. You were there when I had nothing. I don’t know where I would be if it weren’t for BVCA. You’ve made a difference in my life.”

—BVCA Client

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM (IAP)

Available: Fillmore, Jefferson, Saline & Seward Counties

Provides free immunization to keep children and communities healthy from life threatening and or debilitating diseases protecting infants six weeks of age or older, children, adolescents, and adults who are on Medicaid or uninsured. Private pay vaccines are offered to all ages and BVCA files insurance claims.

- 468 individuals received a total of 1,528 immunizations.
 - 382 infants and children received immunizations.
 - 86 adults received immunizations.
 - 24 were non-English speaking.
- 761 private insurance immunizations were provided.
- In 2017, BVCA was awarded funding to provide immunizations in Fillmore County. Clinics are held once a month at the Methodist Church in Geneva.
- BVCA's Immunization program will now offer a new vaccine called Bexsero. This vaccine is to protect 16-23 year olds from Serogroup B Meningococcal (MenB). Several doctors and colleges are recommending it to individuals entering the college setting to have this vaccination in addition to Meningoccal ACWY.

YORK PARTNERSHIP FOR REDUCING DISPARITIES

This program ended June 30, 2017 and was available to individuals in York County.

Case management was provided for pregnant and post-partum Hispanic women and their families. Support was given for interpretation at WIC Clinics, interpreting and transportation for medical appointments as needed, and assistance with application and/or referrals for other community resources.

- 2 health education classes were held with 7 women in attendance.
- 5 individuals utilized interpretation services.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL ASSISTANCE

Available: All BVCA Counties

Local staff provide needed information regarding services, make appropriate referrals to community organizations, agencies and other resources, and complete follow-up services.

- 2,296 information and referral services were provided.



"Looking back, BVCA was exactly what I needed."

—BVCA Client

HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM (HOP)

Available: All BVCA Counties

The Homeownership Opportunity Program provides assistance for the purchase of existing or newly constructed single-family homes. Funds are available to assist individuals and families with closing costs, down-payment assistance and/or rehabilitation of the home. The funds are a deferred loan that does not incur interest and no payments are due during the first five years after purchase. Beginning in year six, the individual or family will begin to repay the deferred loan with an interest rate of 3% amortized over ten years.

- 29 individuals/11 households were assisted in purchasing their own home—leveraging \$754,993 privately with \$134,180 in down-payment assistance.
- 38 individuals participated in first-time homebuyer education online courses via ehomeamerica.org.

HOUSING COUNSELING

Available: All BVCA Counties

As a Housing Counseling Agency, BVCA provides housing counseling services to potential homebuyers. Housing Counseling services consists of pre-purchase workshops and one-on-one case management. Clients who are enrolled in the Housing Counseling Program will agree to make a 6-24 month commitment to get them "mortgage ready".

- 111 individuals received housing counseling.

DID YOU KNOW...

The National Housing Resource Center reported, "Participants who received education only saw an average increase in their credit scores of 8.5 points, while participants who received both education and one-on-one counseling saw an average increase of 16.2 points."

OWNER-OCCUPIED REHABILITATION

Available: All BVCA Counties

Low and moderate income homeowners are offered low-interest loans and/or forgivable loans to rehabilitate their homes to meet health and safety needs, limited by type of need or the extent of work needed. The program is designed to bring the eligible property owner's dwelling into compliance with locally adopted housing standards to reduce ongoing and future maintenance costs, and to preserve safe, decent and affordable housing. The Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program also promotes revitalization of a neighborhood as well as the community.

- 15 owner-occupied housing units were rehabilitated to reduce ongoing and future maintenance needs.



"It has been great, we love our house. There's no way I could have done it without Blue Valley. No way."

—HOP Participant

AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING

Available: Butler, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Polk, Saline, Thayer & York Counties

BVCA Partnership manages 188 affordable rental units, including 60 lease-to-own homes. These rentals are designed to make safe, quality housing available to income eligible individuals and families. Funding sources included are Low Income Housing Tax Credit, USDA Rural Development and HOME assisted units.

- 197 individuals/62 households in lease-to-own homes.
- 503 individuals/218 households in rental units.
- Managed 12 additional units for other owners.

DID YOU KNOW...

A 2017 report from the National Low Income Housing Coalition showed a massive shortage of affordable housing for the lowest income families in America. Nationally, there are just 35 affordable and available housing units for every 100 extremely low income households. In Nebraska, the numbers are better than the national average but still reflect a steep shortfall. Nebraska has 41 units available for every 100 households at 30% of the average median income, and 79 units available for every 100 households at 50% AMI. In addition, 69% of Nebraska's extremely low-income families spend more than half of their income on rent, leaving little left over for other necessities.

WEATHERIZATION

Available: All BVCA Counties

The Weatherization Program was designed to make homes safer, healthier and more energy efficient. Inspections are performed on all heating systems in the home. Efficiency and safety tests are done on all furnaces and water heaters. Combustion Appliance Zone (CAZ) testing is done on all combustion appliances, including furnaces, water heaters, gas cook stoves, and gas clothes dryers. Homes are also checked for moisture and mold problems. The house is checked for insulation or the lack thereof in walls, attics, crawl spaces and basement areas. All windows and doors are evaluated for possible repairs or replacement. All information gathered is then entered into a computerized energy audit that indicates which improvements are cost effective and those that are not. After the audit, a work order is made and given to the contractors and crews to do the work.

- Homes were weatherized for 55 individuals in 35 households.
- 5,364 total units have been weatherized since the program began in 1975.

DID YOU KNOW...

Weatherization reduces your energy bills for a long time. After a home has been weatherized, energy used for heating is often reduced by up to 25 percent. This could mean a 22.7% reduction in gas bills and a 9.7% reduction in electric bills for our customers. Some improvements, such as insulating your walls or attic, for example, will continue to provide savings for the lifetime of the home—30 years or more. Other improvements, such as making heating or cooling equipment more efficient, will provide savings for 10 to 15 years. On average, the value of the weatherization improvements to a house is 2.2 times greater than the cost of the improvement itself.



“Thank you so very much for all of your help and support! For going above and beyond to help my daughter and I find an apartment so quickly and helping us make it feel like a home...OUR HOME!”

—Project FIRST Participant

HEAD START O-5

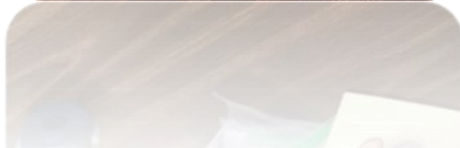
Available: Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Saline, Seward, Thayer & York Counties

BVCA Partnership's Head Start 0-5 program delivers comprehensive high quality services designed to foster healthy development in low-income and at-risk children. Head Start services are responsive and appropriate to each child's and family's developmental, ethnic, cultural, linguistic heritage, and experience. Head Start provides a range of individualized services in the areas of education, special education, nutrition, social services, medical, dental, mental health, and parent involvement.

- A total of 413 families received Head Start 0-5 services.
- Head Start:
 - 274 children/262 families/1,016 family members were enrolled.
 - Waitlist totaled 129 on the first day of school and 99 on the last day of school.
 - 246 health exams were provided.
 - 232 dental screenings were provided.
 - 88 were immunized.
 - 39,566 meals and 22,147 snacks were provided.
- Early Head Start:
 - 123 children/63 families/246 total family members were enrolled.
 - 19 pregnant women were served.
 - Waitlist totaled 29 on the first day and 55 on the last day.
 - 60 health exams were provided.
 - 49 dental screenings were provided.
 - 45 were immunized.
- 147 Parents were employed at enrollment and 185 parents were enrolled at the end of the Head Start 0-5 year.
- Oral Health Access for Young Children: Head Start along with Public Health Solutions have partnered to improve dental health of children in Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Saline and Thayer counties. Fluoride varnish treatments, iodine treatments, informational pamphlets, and educational resources were provided to children who participated.
 - 316 fluoride varnish treatments were provided.
- The following were the most identified areas of need for families receiving services either through Blue Valley Community Action Partnership or another service agency:

1. Parenting Education	404 families
2. Health Education	400 families
3. Emergency/crisis intervention	102 families
4. Housing Assistance	44 families
5. Mental Health Services	37 families

AGES OF CHILDREN	
Prenatal	19
under age 1	50
1 year old	36
2 years old	37
3 years old	127
4 years old	144
5 years old	0
TOTAL	413



Duration Grant Awarded

Children Services was awarded the Extended Duration Hours Grant for Fillmore, Gage, Seward and York Counties. The duration will allow 68 Head Start children in those counties to receive 1,020 hours of education time beginning in the 2017-2018 school year.

EARLY CHILDHOOD COLLABORATION

Available: Beatrice, Crete, Fairbury, Hebron, Wymore & York

The Nebraska Early Childhood Education (ECE) Grant Program for ages 3-5 is designed to award state funds to public schools or Educational Service Units (ESUs) to assist in the operation of comprehensive early childhood education. The program is intended to support the learning and development of children who are three and four years old. The program increases opportunities for at-risk children to participate in early childhood education programs by creating new, expanded and/or combined programs funded with school district funds, federal funds, and/or parent fees, and involve collaboration with Head Start and other community programs. BVCA Partnership collaborates with school districts to expand opportunities for more preschool aged children using the quality of Head Start as a model.

- 582 children, in addition to the 239 Head Start children, received services because of these collaborations.

BLUE RIVER CHILDCARE & PRESCHOOL

Available: Saline County

Blue River Childcare & Preschool is a high quality, early childhood education and care program for children six weeks through twelve years of age. This program provides developmentally age appropriate educational activities in all care settings and nutritionally approved meals to all children in a licensed facility.

- 77 children were provided with safe and affordable childcare.
- 108 children were provided with preschool.
- 18 families have more than one child enrolled at the center.
- 29,744 meals and 13,954 snacks were provided.
- The center is open 62.5 hours per week to accommodate the needs of working parents.

INFANT/TODDLER QUALITY INITIATIVE PROGRAM

Available: Gage, Saline & Jefferson Counties

The overall purpose of the Early Head Start Infant/Toddler Quality Initiative (I/TQI) is to improve the quality of infant and toddler care in Nebraska. The program: provides professional development opportunities and other support to family and center-based partners; assists in training and mentoring for their child care partners on infant and toddler issues and development; and observes and reports the best outcomes, greatest challenges for childcare partners who participated in the initiative, and measures of quality within the childcare partners' child caring environments.

- BVCA worked with 13 providers during FY 2017.



Family Outcomes

- *Family Well-Being*
- *Positive Parent-Child Relationships*
- *Families as Lifelong Educators*
- *Families as Learners*
- *Family Engagement in Transitions*
- *Families as Advocates and Leaders*
- *Family Connections to Peers and Community*

EARLY HEAD START – CHILD CARE PARTNERSHIP

Available: Jefferson & Saline Counties

Early Head Start partners with regulated center-based childcare providers who agree to meet the Head Start Program Performance Standards. The program serves children ages 6 weeks to 3 years of age. Each child receives quality care while their parent is working or attending school. Teachers use an evidence based curriculum for lesson planning and assessment. Other services are integrated, such as medical, dental, mental health, and parent involvement.

- 70 children/32 families/89 family members were enrolled.
- Waitlist totaled 19 on the first day and 13 on the last day.
- 42 health exams were provided.
- 30 dental screenings were provided.
- 15 children were immunized.
- 513 home visits were completed.

AGES OF CHILDREN	
Prenatal	1
under age 1	34
1 year old	14
2 years old	19
3 years old	2
TOTAL	70

SIXPENCE

Available: Seward County

Provides programs and services for infants and toddlers from birth to three who are most at risk. Promotes children’s opportunities to experience positive environments that provide for their healthy growth and development during their earliest years. Home Visits are provided to income qualifying families, pregnant women, and teen parents. Sixpence collaborates with Seward Public School, Milford Public School, and Centennial Public School.

- 36 children and 6 prenatal women were served.
- 553 Home Visits were held.
- 30 Play and Learns were held.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Competition is open to individuals in all BVCA counties.

BVCA awards competitive scholarships to individuals. Financial need, volunteerism, aspirations and goals for furthering education are taken into consideration. Scholarships can be used for tuition, books and fees associated with enrollment. BVCA is currently seeking donors to help offer life changing opportunities through scholarships.

2016-2017 recipients are as follows:

- Blue Valley Community Action Partnership Scholarships: Jessica Eulloqui of Crete and Kaylyn Ibsgaard of Garrison
- BVCA Partnership Vocational Scholarships: Logan Hough of Bellwood and Chelsea Fessler of Grafton
- BVCA Partnership SCC Scholarship: Blake Grossnicklaus of Shelby and Sidney Ketelsen of Seward



“Thank you for the scholarship. As I begin my first quarter, the gift you have given will lighten my financial burden and I will be able to focus on my studies. Your generosity is truly appreciated as it is a privilege to those of us in need of assistance and I am grateful to be a recipient. I hope that someday I will be able to pay-it-forward to a student in need.”

—BVCA Scholarship Recipient

FAMILY AND YOUTH INVOLVEMENT CENTER (FYI)

Available: Jefferson County & Surrounding Areas

Provides a safe and supervised environment during afterschool and out-of-school time. Afterschool programming includes: Homework Assistance; Fitness & Recreation; Arts & Crafts; Computer Technology; Alcohol & Substance Abuse Awareness & Prevention; Invisible Mentoring; 4-H, Community Service Projects; Juvenile Diversion Outreach; Youth Leadership Council; President’s Volunteer Service Award Program; and Higher Education Exploration.

- 259 children attended the center at least once during FY 2017.
- 92 children received homework assistance.
- 82 children were involved in community betterment activities via the President’s Volunteer Service Award.
- 5 children were referred by school officials for issues in class such as behavioral problems and drop-out/throw-outs.
- FYI’s “Feed Your Neighbor” project collected 215 pounds of canned food for BVCA’s Food Pantry.
- FYI’s signature event is “Project Santa”. A total of 54 youth participated, and 162 gifts were wrapped.

RURAL SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA CONNECTED YOUTH INITIATIVE (RSNCYI)

Available: Butler, Cass, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Polk, Richardson, Saline, Seward, Thayer & York Counties

RSNCYI is designed to serve “unconnected youth” age 14-25 who are currently or have been in the foster care system; have had contact with child protective services; do not have family support and have had experience with the juvenile justice system (within 6 months of exiting probation); or are homeless or near homeless.

- 144 youth were served.

OPPORTUNITY PASSPORT

Available: All BVCA Counties

Assists young people with the purchase of assets that are critical to their success as they transition into adulthood. The program is a matched savings, asset-building program which includes financial literacy education and asset-specific training. It is to help youth ages 14-25, who have experienced foster care, or have had juvenile justice involvement and/or have experienced homelessness or are at risk of homelessness, and have no family support.

- 27 participants completed three or more “Keys to Your Financial Future” modules.



RSNCYI SUPPORT SERVICES	
Housing	24
Utilities	9
Transportation	32
Education	27
Employment	25
Credit Recovery/ID	5
Medical/Dental	2
Mental Health	0
Parenting Support	21
Need Based Funds	5
Support Services Funds	11
Financial Literacy/ Opportunity Passport	27



Success Story

Courtney successfully completed all financial literacy classwork and asset specific training with BVCA. She spent several months working and saving to meet her goal of purchasing a reliable car that would allow her to travel safely to and from college and work. After exceeding her \$2,000 savings goal and submitting all required documentation, she went shopping for a car that met her needs and her dreams! With her savings of \$2,298.91 and an Opportunity Passport match of \$4,597.82, the purchase was made. Courtney commented how much she appreciated the guidance and support that she received and, while next to her new car, she exclaimed, “Oh my gosh! I’m so excited! Thank you so much!” Her financial knowledge and confidence in herself to reach goals increased significantly as a result of participation in Opportunity Passport.

Helping People ... Changing Lives

FRIENDS OF BLUE VALLEY

Available: All BVCA Counties

Friends of Blue Valley provides volunteer opportunities to those who wish to share their time and talents helping others throughout our service area. Volunteers are recruited, trained and placed within BVCA Partnership and throughout communities. Friends of Blue Valley also participates in fundraising activities and other special events.

VOLUNTEERS:

- 663 individuals volunteered in BVCA's centers and classrooms, and at various events.
- 43,826 hours were donated by volunteers.
 - 85 of our volunteers donated 100-499 hours!
 - 9 of our volunteers donated 500-999 hours!
 - 7 of our volunteers donated over 1000 hours!
- The value of hours donated totaled \$608,677.

NON-CASH DONATIONS:

- Agency-wide non-cash donations in the form of food, clothing and other miscellaneous items totaled: \$1,404,011.01
 - Non-cash donations totaled: \$1,365,845.07
 - Faith based non-cash donations totaled: \$38,165.94

CASH DONATIONS:

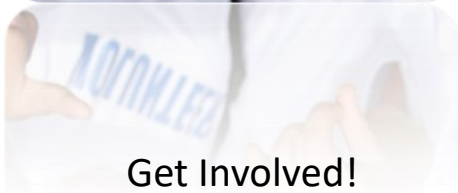
- Agency-wide donations totaled: 397,479.98
 - Cash donations totaled: \$369,309.75
 - Faith based cash donations totaled: \$28,170.23

AMERICORPS & AMERICORPS VISTA

Available: All Counties

National Service programs allowing individuals of all ages to earn a stipend and educational assistance award in exchange for a year of community service.

- 11 AmeriCorps Members and 2 VISTA Members were enrolled.



Get Involved!

Visit www.bvca.net and click on "Get Involved" to find out how you can make a difference in your community!



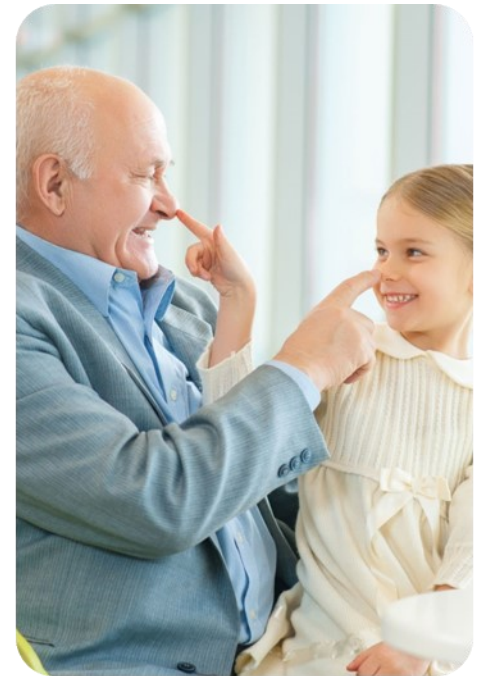
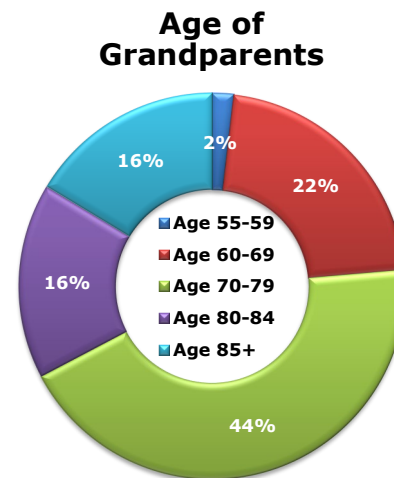
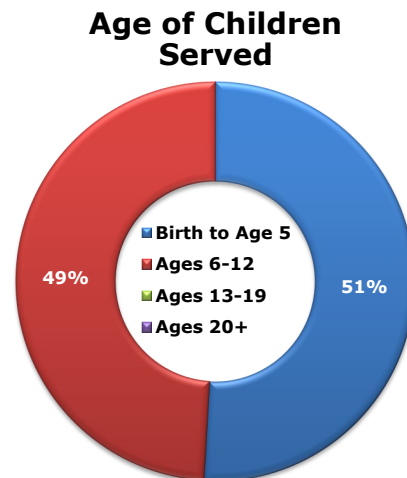
FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

Available: Fillmore, Jefferson, Gage, Saline, Seward, Thayer, York, Otoe, Johnson, Pawnee, Nemaha & Richardson Counties
 Persons who are 55 years and older, in relatively good health, and love children, volunteer at least 15 hours per week at various sites during the day to give supportive one-on-one service to children who have special needs.



- 51 Grandmas and 4 Grandpas served as Foster Grandparents.
 - 1 Veteran serves as a Foster Grandparent.
- 275 children were mentored.
 - 94% of children demonstrated gains in social and/or emotional development.
 - 92% of children in the mentoring/tutoring program improved academics.
- 825 children were indirectly and positively impacted by Senior Corps volunteers involved in CNCS programs (children in classrooms where volunteers are serving but are not receiving direct one-on-one, but are present in classroom and being impacted).
- 25 children are awaiting Foster Grandparent services.
- 54,837 hours were served by Foster Grandparents.
 - 24 Foster Grandparents served 15-19 hours/week.
 - 23 Foster Grandparents served 20-29 hours/week.
 - 8 Foster Grandparents served 30-40 hours/week.

Special Needs	Children
Abused/Neglected	5
Development Disabilities	29
Emotional Disabilities	11
Language Barriers	24
Learning Disabilities	34
Physical Disabilities	3
Significantly Medically Impaired	1
Visually Impaired	2
Teen Pregnancy/Teen Parenting	1
Hearing Impaired	1
Homeless	1
Other Special Needs	13



"I thank God for this job every day. It has changed the outlook I have on my life. I feel important again!!"

—Foster Grandma

Staff Stats

FY 2017



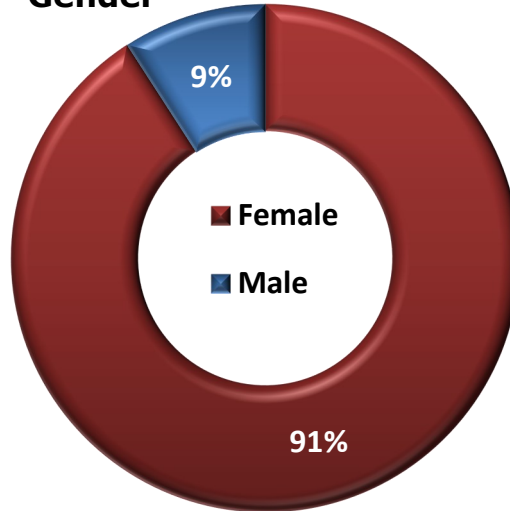
"It's been a hard, long road and without BVCA I couldn't have gotten this far. Thank you!"

—BVCA Client

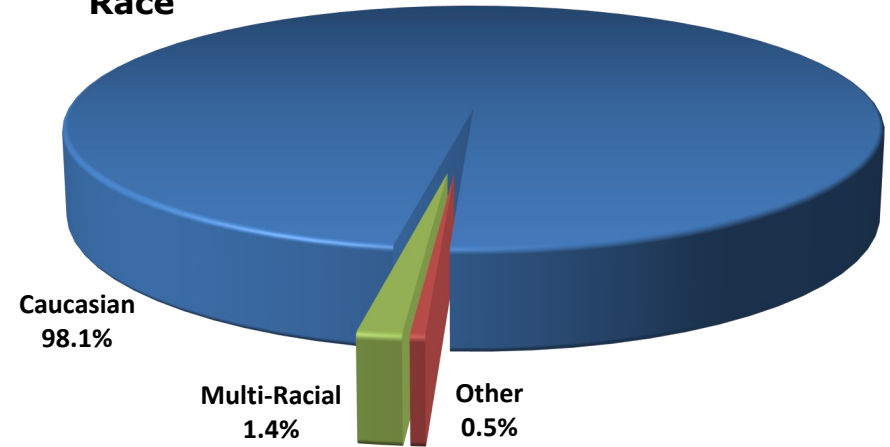
Employment Status

BVCA Partnership employed a total of 208 individuals over the past fiscal year:
146 full-time, 14 part-time and 48 on-call.

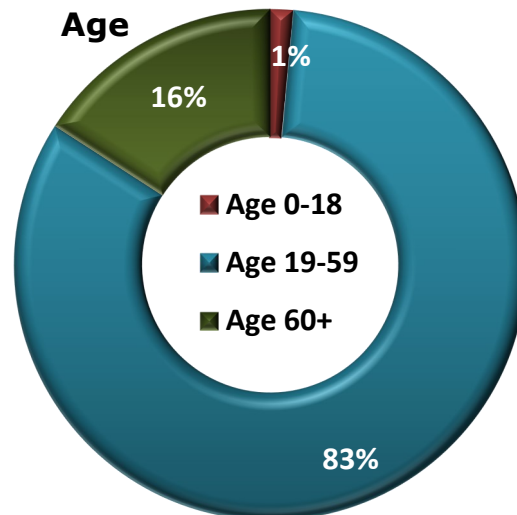
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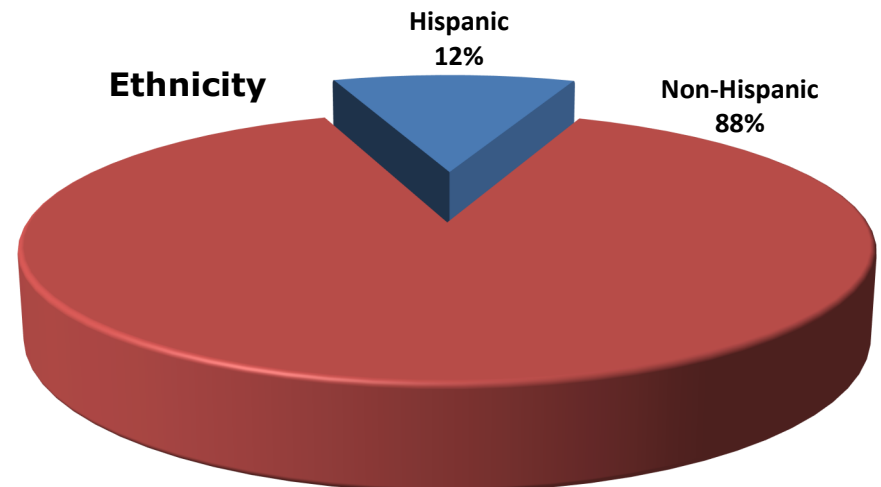
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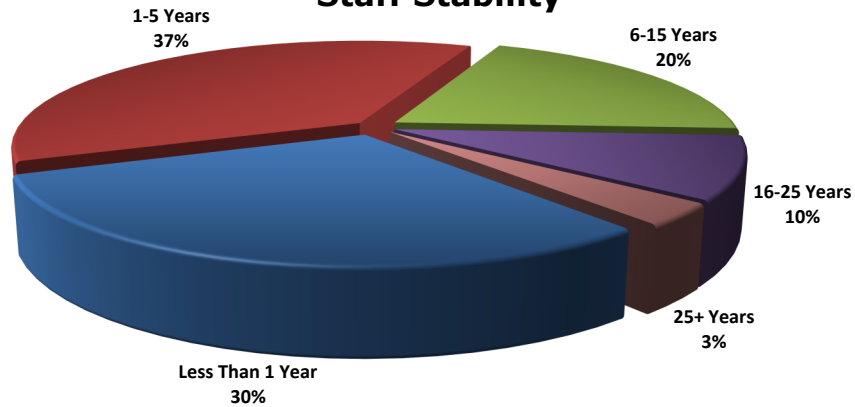
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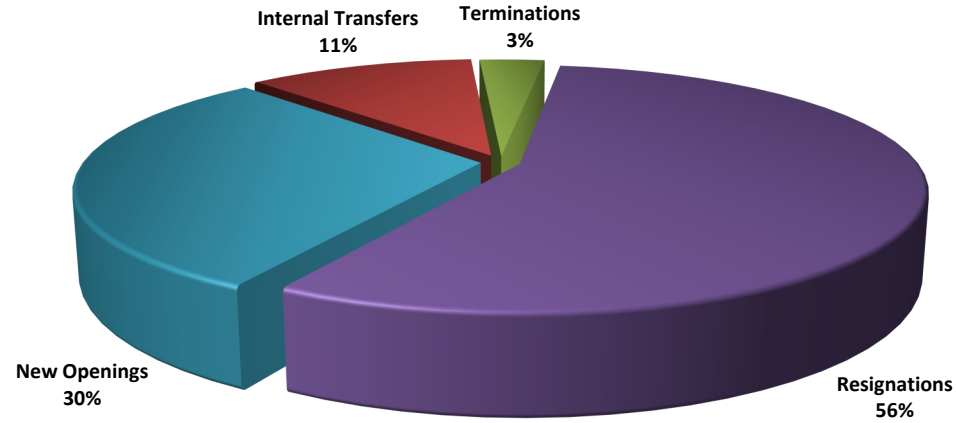
Ethnicity



Staff Stability



Turnover Rate



"Thank you for being there for my family when we were struggling to make ends meet. Your programs have helped people find their greatness. Thank you for believing in me."

—BVCA Client



Education

High School Diploma/GED	132
Associate of Arts	30
Bachelor's of Science	18
Bachelor's of Arts	19
Masters	4
Licensed Practical Nurse/RN	5
Certified Community Action Professionals—CCAP	4

Financial Revenues & Expenses FY 2017

PRIVATE REVENUES:

In-kind Donations Used As Match	\$1,254,975.00
Cash Donations	\$54,733.00
United Way Awards	\$29,294.00
Foundation Awards	\$4,444.00
Local Projects	\$202,573.00
Contracts	\$588,764.00
Fees	\$524,354.00
Rents	\$828,335.00
Corporate Investments	<u>\$127,429.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$3,614,901.00</u>

FEDERAL DIRECT:

USDA CSFP Commodities Value	\$167,360.00
CNCs Foster Grandparents	\$253,433.00
HHS Childcare Partnership	\$896,536.00
HHS Head Start	\$2,043,547.00
HHS Early Head Start	\$1,126,877.00
HUD Supportive Housing	\$191,475.00
Veterans Affairs Support Services	<u>\$131,892.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$4,811,120.00</u>

STATE REVENUES:

School Partnerships	\$142,874.00
Jefferson County Enhancement Grant	\$45,950.00
NE Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Regional Rehab	\$135,019.00
NE HTF Home Ownership Program	\$287,405.00
NE Department of Economic Development	<u>\$17,624.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$628,872.00</u>

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT:

County Support	\$70,076.00
Juvenile Services Aid	\$21,076.00
Jefferson County FYI Center Support	<u>\$6,670.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$97,822.00</u>

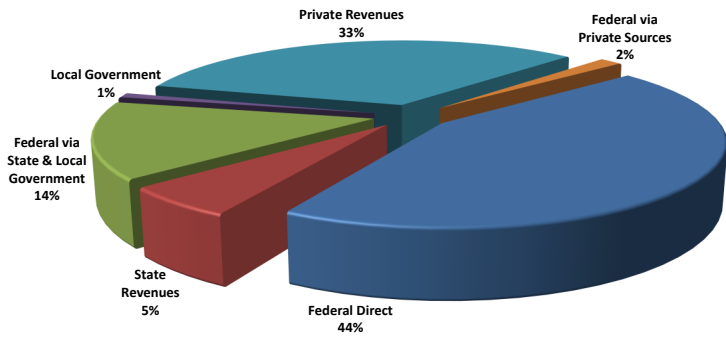
FEDERAL VIA STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

<i>HHS via:</i>	
Region V Systems	\$15,157.00
DHHS Community Health	\$3,143.00
DHHS Minority Health	\$4,668.00
DHHS Immunization Action	\$27,063.00
DHHS CSBG	\$355,067.00
DHHS/NEO LIHEAP Weatherization	\$172,459.00
NDE Early Childhood Initiative	\$63,499.00
<i>SSA via:</i>	
DHHS SOAR	\$37,532.00
<i>DOE via:</i>	
NEO WAP Weatherization	\$181,316.00
<i>USDA via:</i>	
NDE Childhood & Adult Food	\$107,842.00
DHHS WIC	\$262,398.00
DHHS CSFP (except for commodities)	\$99,810.00
<i>HUD via:</i>	
DED Emergency Shelter Grant Program	\$177,122.00
<i>DOT via:</i>	
NDoR Fillmore County Rural Transit	<u>\$88,409.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$1,595,485.00</u>
<u>FEDERAL VIA PRIVATE SOURCES :</u>	
<i>HHS via:</i>	
Community Action of NE ACA Navigator	\$27,125.00
<i>CNCA via:</i>	
Boys Hope Girls Hope AmeriCorps	\$32,898.00
Rural Connected Youth Initiative	\$100,056.00
<i>HUD via:</i>	
HMIS	\$2,451.00
<i>USDA via:</i>	
Food Bank of the Heartlands	<u>\$6,079.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$168,609.00</u>

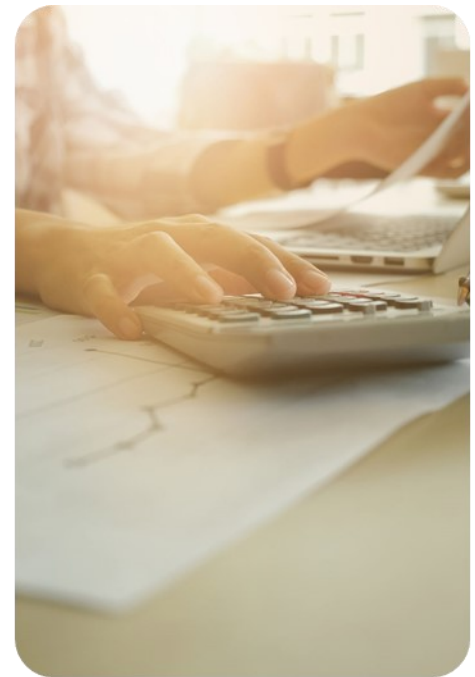
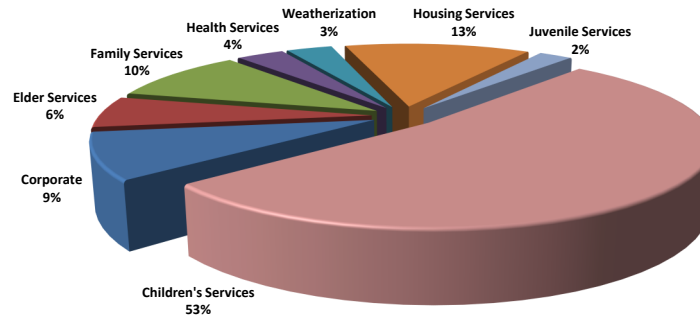


*"You are a lifesaver."
—SNAP Participant*

**BVCA'S FY 2017 TOTAL REVENUES:
\$10,916,809**



**BVCA'S FY 2017 TOTAL EXPENSES:
\$11,293,309**



BVCA PARTNERSHIP ACTS AS THE GENERAL PARTNER IN TWO LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS WITH PRIVATE INVESTORS. (SEE CHART BELOW.)

<u>REAL ESTATE LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS*</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Assets</u>
Blue Terrace CROWN, Ltd., Crete	\$97,163	\$1,112,008
York CROWN, Ltd., York	\$78,265	\$1,144,003
<i>*Not included in BVCA audit, as each is a separate company.</i>	\$175,428	\$2,256,011

BVCA's 2016-2017 Assets

*Beginning of the Year Net Assets:
\$9,733,836*

*End of the Year Net Assets:
\$10,086,296*

BVCA PARTNERSHIP LEVERAGE

- BVCA's core funding is the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG). \$355,067 was granted last year, which is 3.25% of BVCA's total budget.
- For every dollar of CSBG, over \$30.75 was leveraged from other sources.
- For every \$1.00 of county support, BVCA leveraged \$155.79 of support from outside sources.
- \$10,857 of gaming revenue was generated.
- Volunteers donated 43,826 hours which relieved the organization of the need to raise \$608,677 additional dollars or hiring 21 full-time employees (FTEs) for each month of the fiscal year.
- Value of contributions of food, clothing, and other goods to thrift stores totaled \$1,093,532.



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