



KINGS COMMUNITY ACTION ORGANIZATION

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Helping people, changing lives since 1965.

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MISSION STATEMENT

Working as a team, KCAO will seek and provide programs that develop self-sufficiency in individuals, families, and communities within Kings County.

Vision Statement

KCAO envisions a future where all people in Kings County are able to live with dignity, have access to available resources and have the opportunity, motivation and ability to live economically productive and satisfying lives.



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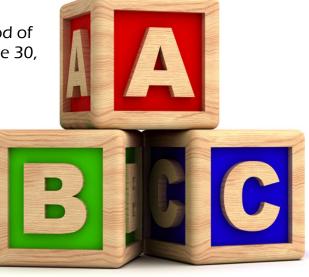


CHILD CARE Assistance Programs

The Child Care Assistance Programs Department is comprised of four major components: 1) Alternative Payment Programs, 2) The Kings County Child Care Eligibility List, 3) Kettleman City Family Resource Center and 4) Resource & Referral. Under these programs families, children, teachers and community agencies are offered numerous resources in the areas of placement into subsidized child care, starting or enhancing their child care business, and promoting early childhood education. The Toy Lending Library is also available to the public to checkout learning resources and to use the available supplies to complete projects for their classrooms and/or businesses.

HIGHLIGHTS

- CAPP \$984,268 (MRA): Earnings for the FY 12-13 indicate this contract was fully earned at the program year-end with a surplus that was moved to the reserve account.
- CALWORKS Stage 3 \$427,376 (MRA): Earnings at the fiscal year-end indicate this contract was fully earned with a surplus of \$5,000 that was moved into reserves.
- The KCAO child care centers were kept at a consistent 96% occupancy rate throughout the fiscal year
- Family Fee collections for all programs including CCTR, CalWORKs and CAPP were at a consistent 95% throughout the 12-13 year
- Provider Payment was generally processed by the 17th of the month to facilitate provider reimbursement by the 20th of the month
- The CCIP contract fully met all of its contractual obligations for FY 12-13 successfully ending the year with a provider appreciation dinner and resource fair on May 23 at KCAO
- Resource and Referral fully met all of its contractual obligations in FY 12-13 thus fully earning its MRA of \$176,894
- The Kettleman City Foundation Board awarded the Kettleman City Recreation contract to KCAO for a period of 15 months beginning April 2013 running through June 30, 2014



HEAD START

The Head Start Program is a program of the United States Department of Health and Human Services that provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services to low-income children and their families. Head Start is made up of four crucial programs; 1) Early Head Start, 2) Migrant Head Start, 3)Regional Head Start, and 4) Center-Based Programs. With each one of these important components being provided, every child and family is one step closer to living healthy and selfsufficient lives.

Highlights

 \$ 6,382,680 received in Federal Funding for Head Start

-Regional Head Start \$4,291,272 -Early Head Start \$592,295 -Migrant/Seasonal Head Start \$1,499,113

- Children Served Per Program

 Regional Head Start: 683
 Early Head Start: 88 children and 9
 pregnant women
 Migrant/Seasonal Head Start: 172
- Families Served Per Program
 -Regional Head Start: 638
 -Early Head Start: 78

-Migrant/Seasonal Head Start: 134

- Percentage of Enrolled Children that Received Medical and Dental Exams
 - -Regional Head Start: 96% (M) and 97% (D)

-Early Head Start: 84% (M) and 91% (D) -Migrant/Seasonal Head Start: 94% (M) and 96% (D)

• KCAO strengthened one partnership with the Kings County First 5 program which resulted in a grant to support an Early Learning Support Specialist (ELSS) to work closely with the Education team to enhance services in Migrant & Seasonal, Regional, and Early Head Start.

INTERVENTION, PREVENTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Intervention, Prevention and Support Services is the department responsible for keeping Kings County safe and helping those with problems related to sexual assault, domestic violence and homelessness (for women and children). The Intervention, Prevention and Support Services Department is made of several programs which fall under two categories: Crisis Support Services and Youth Services. Crisis Support Services is for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and households where child abuse and neglect are present. Youth Services provides case management and numerous programs and services to youth and young adults from 9 to 20 years of age who want to make positive choices allowing them to become independent and productive adults.

Highlights

- KCAO assisted 115 clients with temporary restraining orders (TRO's), of which 61 were granted
- 162 women and 93 children utilized the Barbara Saville Women's Shelter in 2012
- The Homelessness Prevention/Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) assisted 109 Kings County families stay in their homes or find stable and affordable housing by August 2012 when funding ran out.
- KCAO was awarded \$20,000 from the Blue Shield Foundation to support the efforts of the Barbara Saville Women's Shelter. These funds are unrestricted and can be used to meet any needs that are related to domestic violence and shelter services
- VQ Fitness Hanford collaborated with KCAO to host a "Self Defense" class at their facility, where victims of domestic violence and sexual assault could attend free of charge.

SUCCESS STORY

Arianna came into KCAO's Avenal satellite office seeking assistance with a restraining order against her boyfriend. Over the summer, it was discovered that her live-in boyfriend had been molesting her 3 year old granddaughter. Upon investigating the case, Arianna's 15 year old daughter, from a previous relationship, told the police that her father had molested her when she was 9 year old. Both children received services through KCAO's Rape Crisis Program including counseling and ongoing court related support. Arianna was granted a restraining order for 5 years as well as full custody. Arianna's ex-boyfriend and older daughter's father are both currently in jail awaiting further court proceedings.

OPERATIONS

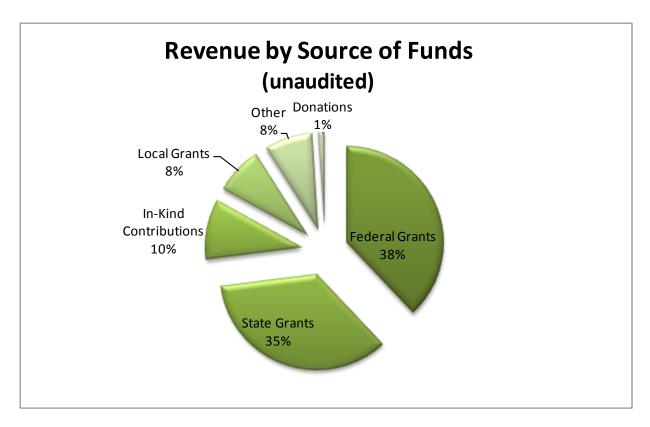
The Operations Department is responsible for three sub-programs: the Energy Assistance Program, the Hunger Prevention Program and the Weatherization Assistance Program. This department helps the families and individuals of Kings County live in safe and efficient homes while assisting to lower monthly household bills with replacement of energy efficient appliances and much more.

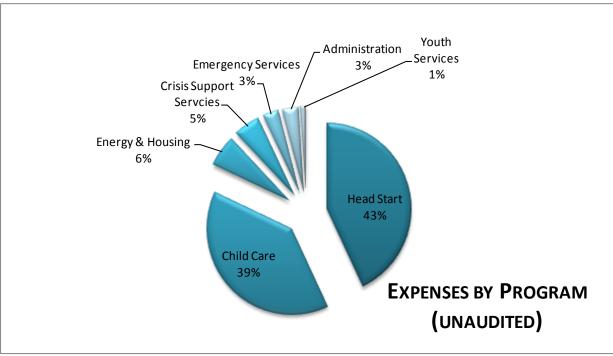
HIGHLIGHTS

- In July of 2012 Last days Ministries became the USDA Commodities Food site for Lemoore.
- In May of 2012 weatherization staff joined with Acces/SCF in the PVEA solar pilot project in which staff assisted with installation of solar panels in Palmdale.
- KCAO's Emergency Services Program was able to distribute 4,166 emergency food boxes
- KCAO's Emergency Services Program was able to distribute 18,976 USDA food boxes
- KCAO provided 3,578 clients with utility assistance
- KCAO's Weatherization Program assisted 233 Kings County
- KCAO's Weatherization Program repaired/replaced 55 heating or cooling units in Kings County homes



ALLOCATION OF FUNDS





Major Funders

California Department of Community Services and Development California Department of Public Health California State Department of Education California State Department of Social Services Kings County Human Services Agency California Department of Health Services California Department of Social Services U.S. Department of Energy U.S. Department of Health and Human Services U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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On behalf of Kings Community Action Organization (KCAO), we would like to express our sincerest appreciation for the contributions from community members and businesses. We are deeply grateful for your support and generosity. It is with the support of individuals, local businesses and corporate partners like yourself that we are able to continue to strengthen our programs, and to develop new and innovative projects to serve our members and the community as a whole. KCAO has been and will continue to be a community-based organization. We want to gratefully acknowledge the men and women of the Kings County community who have made our work possible and continue to help us help Kings County for forty-seven years.

There are numerous ways in which someone can donate to Kings Community Action Organization, such as monetary donations, matching gifts, pledges, deferred gifts, gifts of real estate, gifts of securities, memorial/recognition gifts and volunteering. For more information about donating to and supporting KCAO, please contact:

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