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## NYSCAA Newsletter - May 2019

From the CEO

Dear Friend,

I would like to thank everyone who attended the 2019 Capital, Western, and North Country Regional Meetings with the Department of State (DOS).

The Central and NYC Regional Meetings are set to take place in June and the agendas can be found



online. In addition to NYSCAA updates, staff from the Department of State (DOS) will be leading a discussion about the two-year State Plan that will be sent to OCS in September, an update of the MWBE process, and an overview of the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP). Pat Standish will also be providing an overview of the new <u>Community Action Angels</u> <u>Website</u> at the Central meeting. Space is limited so please don't wait to register!

Registration for NYSCAA & NYSWDA's <u>Professional Development Conference</u> closes May 31st. We are excited to be partnering with NYSWDA in planning the conference content and presenters. As in previous years, we will be holding our annual awards banquet where we recognize those individuals, both volunteers and staff, who have made contributions to their communities, agencies, and the Community Action network. The highlight of the evening is recognizing a current program participant who has achieved significant personal achievement. You can view the full agenda and description of the sessions by <u>clicking here</u>.

We look forward to seeing you at these events where there is opportunity to connect, learn, and share with your Community Action colleagues.

Best,

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Jackie Orr, NCRT

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May's Poverty Myth - "Immigrants Come to the US to Use Welfare - False!"



Immigrants are less likely than native-born Americans to use welfare programs and don't even qualify for welfare benefits in most cases. Not only don't immigrants come to the US to use welfare, but in many cases potential immigrants must prove their financial independence before even qualifying for a visa, making them far less likely to need support than native-born Americans.

For the full article and more from ATD Fourth World, click here!



**ROMA Alliance** 



The ROMA Alliance met in May in Cicero, NY. The ROMA Trainers and Implementers discussed ROMA best practices, the role of ROMA Implementers as they apply principles and practices in their CAAs, the process for delivering the "Introduction of ROMA" trainings in NY, and more.

The Alliance is expected to meet again in the fall.

# Save The Date: NYSCAA and DOS Regional Meetings

Five Regional Meetings will be held around NY State, and will be coordinated with the Department of State (DOS). Below you can find an up-to-date schedule of this year's Regional Meetings including the hosting CAA, agenda, date and time of the meeting, and location. You will also find a link to register for each meeting, we are looking forward to seeing you there! Stay tuned for the full agenda and further details.

Central Region: Cayuga Seneca Community Action, June 12th, Auburn, NY

- 10:00am 2:30pm, 1879 West Genesee Street Road, Auburn NY
- Click here to register for the Central Regional Meeting!

New York City: Dept. of Youth & Community Development, June 25th, New York, NY

- 10:00am 1:00pm, 123 William Street, New York, NY
- <u>Click here to register for the NYC-LI Regional Meeting!</u>

## Census 2020

### Impact in My Community

A new school to ease overcrowded classrooms. A new road to ease overcrowded commutes. There are many ways the 2020 Census can shape your community. The results, collected once a decade, help determine how more than \$675 billion in federal funding is distributed to states and communities every year.

Did you know that U.S. Census Bureau data help communities respond to natural disasters and secure funding for hospitals and fire departments? Explore these stories to find out more.

### Census 2020 Is Right Around the Corner

The Community Action Partnership has a <u>webpage</u> dedicated to a variety of Census tools and resources for CAAs. Check back often to read the most recent information.



## **Additional Resources**

### Save the Date: LIFE 2019 Regional Meetings

The New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) and the New York State Energy Research and



Development Authority (NYSERDA), in cooperation with the LIFE Steering Committee, are proud to announce the LIFE 2019 Regional Meeting Series will be held throughout May and June 2019 in seven regions throughout the state.

Attendees can expect to learn about energy affordability policy, clean energy programs, utility assistance programs, emerging energy issues, innovative models in the low-income energy space, consumer protections, and best practices. The agenda will vary based on location to allow for focus on issues important to a given region. Agendas are available online.

Mark the dates on your calendar so that you can learn, share, and connect about low-income energy. The <u>LIFE 2019 Regional Meetings website</u> has all

the information you need to stay current on meeting information, including venues, agendas, and scholarship opportunities.

- June 13 Long Island Woodbury
- June 14 New York City Manhattan

## **Highlights from our Agencies**

#### SHARE YOUR NEWS!

Have something you would like to share in our upcoming newsletter? Email <a href="mailto:cbarbay@nyscommunityaction.org">cbarbay@nyscommunityaction.org</a>!



Pictures appreciated!

#### **Cattaraugus Community Action**

Cattaraugus Community Action, Inc. in a collaborative effort with local County Land Banks, is working to reclaim foreclosed properties in order to reduce blight and provide safe affordable housing to income eligible homebuyers. Through their Energy and Housing Division, Cattaraugus Community Action provides inspection and construction management service to the Counties. Cattaraugus Community Action then identifies income qualified homeowners to purchase these properties. Through this collaborative, effort low to moderate income homeowners can purchase newly renovated homes at a reduced cost that they may not have had the opportunity to purchase through traditional methods.





#### DYCD: Community Moms

On May 16, 2019, DYCD held the third annual DYCD Community Mom Brunch to honor the 2019 DYCD Community Moms winners. This year the mothers, sisters, grandmothers, and mother-figures in attendance were treated to performances from Friends of islands Academy, Groove with me Dancers and Conscientious Musical Revue. After opening remarks from the Executive Director of the New York City Commission on Gender Equity, Jacqueline Ebanks, and moving words from guest speaker Thembisa S. Mshaka, the 2019 Community Moms received special awards.



## **NYSCAA EVENTS**

Professional Development Conference - June 5th & 6th at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel, Poughkeepsie, NY

NYSCAA's annual June Professional Development Conference, in partnership with NYSWDA will be held June 5th & 6th at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel in Poughkeepsie, NY. The conference will include the Annual Community Action Awards Ceremony on June 5th. Registration deadline is May 31st - <u>click here</u> to register!

#### RPIC Region II Conference Binghamton, New York

The annual RPIC Region II Conference will be held September 18th & 19th. We look forward to working with our Region II partners in New Jersey, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands to create an exciting event! The Emerging Leaders Institute seminar will also be paired with this event.

## Free Job Listings for members

Map Satellite Terrain VERMONT Writer - Mohawk Community Actio Bramptono Toronto Kitchener Mississauga 401 Hamilton Rochester Syracuse Niagara Fallso ndon NEW YORK Buffalo Albany MASSAC + Springfield

Below is a listing current openings. Click on an item to view the job details.

Do you need to get the word out about a job opportunity at your agency? <u>Click here to view CA job listings and add your own!</u> The human services workforce is 81% women. In March, we honor some of the women providing critical services across New York. We must invest in women like these to ensure nonprofits can recruit and retain quality staff, and so our communities value our leaders!

## National Professional Development Opportunities

#### CAPLAW

2019 National Training Conference Charlotte, N.C. June 19-21 <u>Click here</u> for more information

Community Action Partnership 2019 Annual Convention Chicago, IL August 26th-27th, Pre-Convention Training August 28th-30th, Annual Convention <u>Click here</u> for more information.

NASCSP 2019 Annual Training Conference Little Rock, Arkansas September 23-27 More information coming soon!

### 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.



### **Our Agencies**

Click on Name of Agency to Visit Website: Action for a Better Community, Inc. \* Adirondack Community Action Programs, Inc. \* Albany Community Action Partnership \* ACCORD Corporation \* CAPC of Jefferson <u>County</u> \* <u>Cattaraugus Community Action, Inc.</u> <u>Cayuga/Seneca Community</u> Action Agency, Inc. \* Chautaugua Opportunities Inc. \* Columbia Opportunities, Inc. \* Commission on Economic Opportunity for the Capital District Region, Inc. \* Community Action Organization of Erie County, Inc. \* Community Action of Greene County, Inc. Community Action of Orleans & Genesee \* Community Action Partnership for Madison County, Inc. Cortland Community Action Program, Inc. (CAPCO)\* Delaware Opportunities \* Dutchess County Community Action Agency, Inc. \* Economic Opportunity Program Inc. of Chemung County EOC of Nassau County - Hempstead \* EOC of Suffolk -Patchogue \* Fulmont Community Action Agency, Inc. \* JCEO of Clinton & Franklin Counties \* Lewis County Opportunities, Inc. \* Livingston County Planning Department \* Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency, Inc. \* NYC Department of Youth and Community Development \* Niagara Community Action Program, Inc. \* Opportunities for Broome, Inc. \* Opportunities for Chenango, Inc. \* Opportunities for Otsego, Inc. \* Oswego County Opportunities, Inc. \* Path Stone PEACE, Inc. \* Pro Action of Steuben and Yates, Inc. \* RECAP \* Saratoga County EOC, Inc. Schenectady Community Action, Inc. \* Schoharie County Community Action Program, Inc. \* St. Lawrence County Community Development Program, Inc. \* Tioga Opportunities, Inc. \* Tompkins Community Action, Inc. \* Ulster County Community Action Committee, Inc. \*Warren/Hamilton Counties ACEO, Inc. \* L.E.A.P. \* WestCOP \* Wayne County Community Action Program, Inc. \* Wyoming County Community Action, Inc. \* Yonkers Community Action Program, Inc.

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