Hey there!

Welcome, happy day one or so, of your new position. Having been in your shoes, just know the nerves and chaos of a new job will subside and I know you will be a great asset to your team!

If you're new to Community Action, you may be thinking who is this random person that doesn't work at my agency? Let me take a moment to frame who I am, and where we fit in. You didn't just take a new job; you have just become part of a legacy and network known as "Community Action." I may be partial, but Community Action is a force, a family, and more than just a "job." You are part of a solution in the fight against poverty. Your new role fits into a network across the state of Pennsylvania and the nation. As the CEO of Community Action Association of Pennsylvania or CAAP, our team and I strive to serve you and your agency as a resource for training and advocacy in all the good work you're about to embark on.

Over this next week there will be a lot of information coming your way. I promise at some point it will all make sense, and I hope CAAP can be helpful on your journey. There is always a lot to learn at a new organization, not only about the work but also about the culture and organizational procedures. Something as simple as setting up your email signature or knowing where to store your lunch can become something you didn't realize you would be anxious over. If you're receiving this letter know that you were just hired by an organization that has already invested in making sure you feel comfortable and supported on your new path (we don't just give these out to anyone).

Once the dust begins to settle, I would encourage you to check out the resources CAAP has to offer at www.thecaap.org and at a minimum suggest you sign up for our newsletter and create a CAAP Learn account. It's in those places you will find continued learning that is constantly being curated and launched. Ultimately, we are here to ensure you're successful. I look forward to you joining us at one of the many offerings CAAP has for continuing your Community Action career.

Sincerely,

Beck Moore, MSHR Chief Executive Officer

Community Action Association of Pennsylvania



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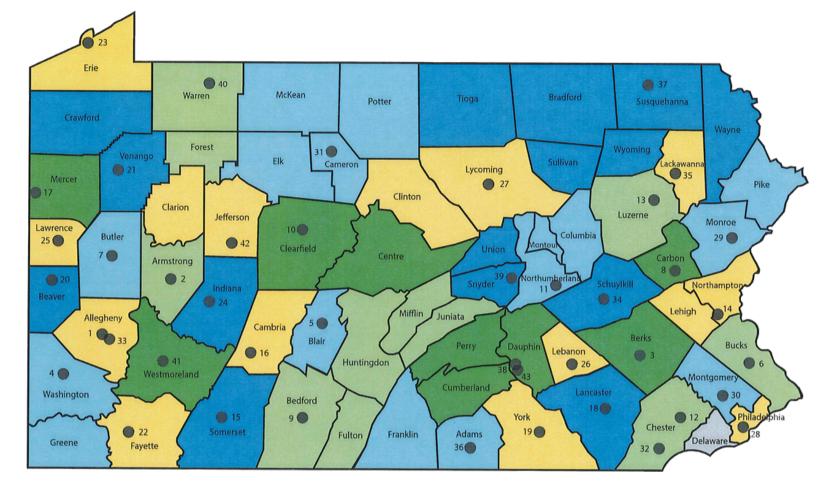
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Depending on your role you may interact with some or all of these state and national partners!

- Community Action Association of Pennsylvania (CAAP)
 - The state association that supports your organization by providing trainings, community, and so much more. You will likely interact with CAAP more than many of the other mentioned organizations here. We suggest you sign up for our newsletter at thecaap.org
- Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED)
 - The state government branch that distributes CSBG funds and supports Community Action's success in PA.
- PANO Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations
 - As a CAAP member your organization is also a PANO member. PANO provides larger scope trainings that support nonprofits across the state to strive for operational excellence. We suggest you sign up for their newsletter at pano.org
- National Community Action Partnership (NCAP)
 - The national office of Community Action striving to end poverty across the United States. Sign up for NCAP's newsletter at <u>communityactionpartnership.com</u>
- CAPLAW
 - The national legal expert for Community Action. Learn more at caplaw.org
- National Community Action Foundation (NCAF)
 - The national lobbying foundation for Community Action. Learn more at ncaf.org
- National Association for State Community Services Programs (NASCSP)
 - Ine professional association for state administrators of CSBG programs. Learn more at nascsp.org





- 1. Allegheny County Department of Human Services
- 2. Armstrong County Community Action of Pennsylvania
- 3. Berks Community Action Program, Inc.
- 4. Blueprints
- 5. Blair County Community Action Agency Program
- 6. Bucks County Opportunity Council, Inc.
- 7. Community Partnership, Inc.
- 8. Carbon County Action Committee for Human Services
- 9. Center for Community Action
- 10. Central Pennsylvania Community Action, Inc.
- 11. Central Susquehanna Opportunities, Inc.
- 12. Chester County Department of Community Development
- 13. Commission on Economic Opportunity of Luzerne County
- 14. Community Action Committee of Lehigh Valley, Inc.
- 15. Tableland Services, Inc.

- 16. Community Action Partnership of Cambria County
- 17. Community Action Partnership of Mercer County, Inc.
- 18. Community Action Program of Lancaster County
- 19. Community Progress Council, Inc.
- 20. Community Services Program of Beaver County
- 21. Venango County Human Services, Community **Support Services**
- 22. Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.
- 23. Greater Erie Community Action Committee
- 24. Indiana County Community Action Partnership, Inc.
- 25. Lawrence County Community Action Partnership
- 26. Lebanon County Community Action Partnership
- 27. Lycoming-Clinton Counties Commission for Community Action (STEP), Inc. Success Through **Engagement and Partnership**
- 28. Office of Community Empowerment and Opportunity

- 29. Monroe-Pike Community Action Agency
- 30. Montgomery County. Community Action **Development Commission**
- 31. Norther Tier Community Action Corporation
- 32. PathStone Corporation
- 33. Pittsburgh Community Services, Inc.
- 34. Schuylkill Community Action
- 35. Agency for Community EmPOWERment of NEPA
- 36. South Central Community Action Programs, Inc.
- 37. Trehab
- 38. Tri County Community Action
- 39. Union-Synder Community Action Agency
- 40. Warren-Forest Counties Economic Opportunity Council
- 41. Westmoreland Community Action
- 42. Community Action, Inc.
- 43. Community Action Association of Pennsylvania