



Michigan Community Action is the state association for the 27 designated Community Action Agencies in Michigan that help people move from poverty to economic stability and self-sufficiency.

## **Mission**

Michigan Community Action leads and serves a poverty-fighting network. We are dedicated to helping people and changing lives, through advocacy, education, and collaboration.

#### Vision

Economic opportunity and stability for all.



## The MCA network is united by 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.



Community Action Agencies **HELP** homeowners, communities, families and participants engage with programs and resources that provide guidance and support to empower positive change in their lives.

# **Housing and homelessness**

Weatherization, rent assistance, temporary housing.

# **Emergencies**

Food, heating, and transportation services.

# Learning

Early childhood education, financial literacy, employment, and parenting.

# **Poverty**

Alleviating poverty and building self-sufficiency.













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# **Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency**

Counties served: Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Kalkaska, Missaukee, Roscommon, Wexford

9.79% of households using SNAP benefits



## **Mission**

Foster positive change by providing opportunities that promote self-sufficiency, improving the quality of life and building stronger, more connected communities.

#### 2024:

573

children served through Head Start

3,674

tax returns filed through tax assistance

1,812,750

pounds of food distributed

175

households completed budget coaching

179,949

Meals on Wheels delivered

68

households weatherized

# Areas of Need



## Children

- Early Head Start
- Head Start
- Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)



## Food & Emergency Needs

- Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
- The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
- Emergency Solutions Grant Program
- Emergency Utility Assistance



#### **Benefits**

Tax Preparation



## Veteran/Migrant

Supportive Services for Veterans



#### **Older Adults**

- Home Delivered Meals and Congregate Meals
- Home Repair



# Housing, Employment & Community Development

- Housing Programs
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Weatherization, Home Repair, and/or Home Rehab
- Foreclosure Prevention & Intervention
- Individual Development Accounts
- Home Buyer Education & Home Ownership
- Financial Literacy & Self-Sufficiency