



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.

FiveCAP

Counties served: Lake, Manistee, Mason, Newaygo

14.67% of households using SNAP benefits

The purpose of FiveCAP, Inc. is to motivate the poor through public and private resources to achieve economical and social independence through the provision of a wide range of services, to carry on any business in connections therewith not forbidden by the laws of the State of Michigan, and to provide decent housing that is affordable to low and moderate income persons in the FiveCAP, Inc. service area.

FY 2023-24:

59,058

prepared meals

401

enrolled in Head Start
& Early Head Start

600

clients received
tax preparation
assistance

677

enrolled in Dolly Parton's
Imagination Library



Areas of Need



Children

- Early Head Start
- Head Start
- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library



Food & Emergency Needs

- Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
- The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
- Emergency Utility Assistance
- Food Pantries
- Gardening and Food Preservation



Benefits

- MI Bridges Community Partner
- Tax Preparation



Older Adults

Home Repair



Housing, Employment & Community Development

- Housing Programs
- Weatherization, Home Repair, and/or Home Rehab
- Foreclosure Prevention & Intervention
- Homebuyer Education and Home Ownership
- Literacy & GED Attainment