



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.

# Community Action

Counties served: Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph

**11.37%** of households using SNAP benefits



## Mission

Community Action is a leader that provides respected and excellent programming by using data to drive decisions. The agency endeavors to be a model of excellence that attracts passionate and committed staff who work in the fight against poverty.

2023:

**732**

children enrolled in Head Start and Early Head Start

**6,752**

families received food

**747**

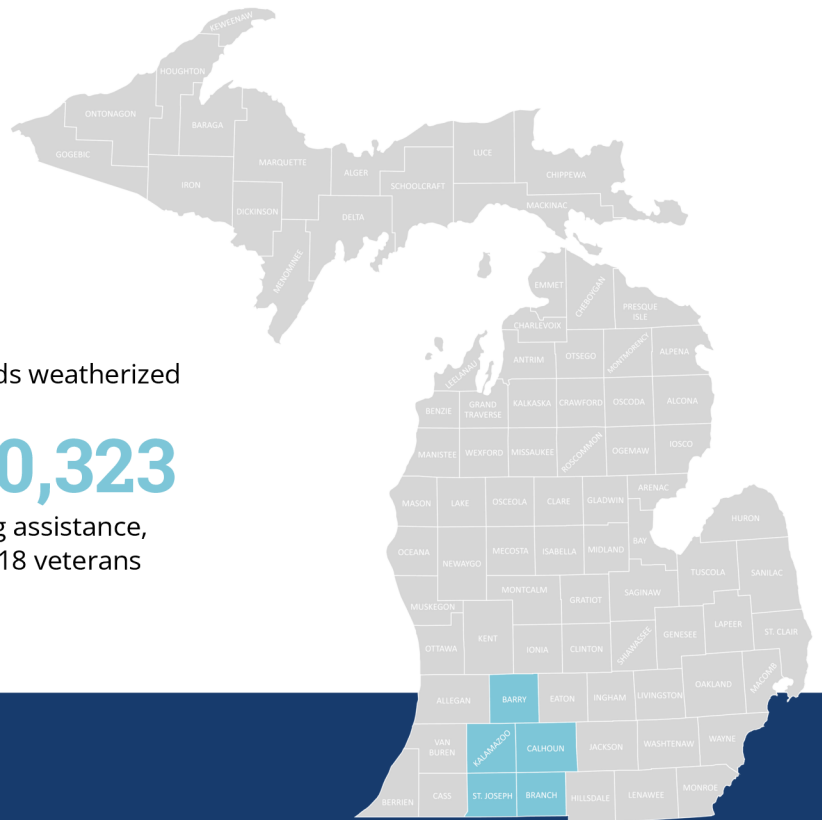
households received utility assistance

**99**

households weatherized

**\$100,323**

in housing assistance, including 18 veterans



## Areas of Need



### Children

- Early Head Start
- Head Start
- Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)
- Foster Grandparent Program and/or Senior Companion Programs



### Food & Emergency Needs

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



### Older Adults

- Home Delivered Meals and Congregate Meals
- Transportation for Older Adults
- Home Repair



### Veteran/Migrant

Supportive Services for Veterans



### Housing, Employment & Community Development

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Weatherization, Home Repair, and/or Home Rehab
- Transportation
- Literacy and GED Attainment