



Stanton, Augusta, and Waynesboro

Community Action Promise: Community Action changes people’s lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities and makes America a better place to live. We are about the entire community and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

Local Need:

- ◆ 41% of individuals work hard and earn more than the Federal Poverty Line, but less than the cost of basic living (ALICE: Asset Limited, Income Restrained, Employed).
- ◆ Nearly half (45%) of students are eligible for free/reduced lunch.

CAPSAW’s IMPACT

CAPSAW funds and supports programs providing services to low-and moderate-income families working towards self-sufficiency. Programs are selected by the Board of Directors through a competitive application process. Once chosen, programs provide quarterly and annual reports and participate in site visits regularly. Oversight helps to enforce accountability and encourages high-performing programs to measure and accurately report their impact on families and communities.

Twenty-three programs received a combination of federal , state, and local dollars to provide services ranging from emergency interventions to long term case management. Some of our partner programs include:

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| Blue Ridge Court Services | Valley Mission |
| Blue Ridge Legal Services | Valley Program for Aging |
| Boys and Girls Club | Volunteer Income Tax Assistance |
| Valley Children’s Advocacy Center | Stanton YMCA |
| Valley Hope Counseling | Head Start & Early Head Start |

FY 2015—2019

- **\$1.4 Million** in grant funding for services to **18,000** SAW area residents and **14,000** families
- **17,000 volunteer hours** provided by service recipients out of nearly 25,000 volunteer hours donated to CAPSAW funded programs
- **4,032 residents received case management** services including nearly 3,000 individuals who accessed affordable medical care and behavioral health services
- **2,701 children** enrolled in preschool, afterschool and summer programming
- **853 seniors and those with disabilities** maintained their independence
- **554 unemployed individuals gained employment & 1,180** increased their income and/or benefits
- **\$9.5 Million** in income earned, increased savings, benefits obtained, grants provided and costs avoided