# ANNUAL REPORT 2013



# **ROOTED IN COMMUNITY**

# **OUR VISION**

Our aim is to make a positive impact in people's lives by helping them meet basic needs and strengthen their support system that enables people to move out of poverty. We work with leaders to identify community problems and find unique solutions. We have a stake in the health of Orange County and have the ability to create real economic change in the lives of low-income children, families, seniors, and veterans. We mobilize and direct resources to programs that assist, educate, and promote self-sufficiency.

## **OUR MISSION**

We change people's lives, embody the spirit of hope, create opportunities, improve communities, and make America a better place to live. Together, we build a stronger Orange County.

## Dear Friends,

This year, Community Action Partnership of Orange County (CAPOC) is celebrating 49 years of helping people and changing lives. As we reflect now on the many milestones and victories we have achieved, it is gratifying to see just how far CAPOC has come – and humbling to consider just how far we have yet to go. As we stand on the verge of our 50th anniversary, we marvel at the difference we are making.

When CAPOC was founded in 1965, our country was in the midst of the Vietnam War, a civil rights movement, and had an increasing rate of economic inequality that forced many Americans who lived below the poverty line to create pathways to a better life. In our first year, we broke ground by creating the county's first Head Start program, Neighborhood Youth Corps, Legal Aid services, Mobile Health Van, and a helpline for seniors. Since then, we have continued to innovate and scale up our efforts while staying true to the ideals we've held since the beginning.

With each milestone, we have continued to grow to meet the increasing needs of our community, and are expanding our services to meet these demands. Our OC Food Bank just celebrated its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary and distributes nearly 15 million pounds of food annually to feed the hungry. Our Energy & Environmental Services continue to provide utility assistance, weatherization home improvements, and solar energy installations to help low-income households become more energy efficient and lower their energy bills. Our Community Partnerships & Services provide the tools needed to empower residents in low-income communities to create real change and provide new, innovative ways to serve more people than ever before. Our two family resource centers continue to help kids succeed, promote financial stability, and support families and seniors so they can thrive. We work with schools, health partners, and communities to significantly reduce childhood obesity.

At our heart, CAPOC's work is all about relationships. It's about seeing the interconnectedness of clients, donors, local businesses, community partners, volunteers, and staff. We work together to build a stronger Orange County as we help people and change lives. In 2014, we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the War on Poverty that made a promise to end hunger and poverty in America. It opened the door to fairness and opportunity and it gave us the tools to create solutions. As we begin our celebration of five decades of Community Action in 2015, we are asking you to join us in facing a new set social and economic challenges and to help us bring hope, resources, and prosperity to 48,000 Orange County residents each month.

Thank you,

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Clarence W. "Buddy" Ray Executive Director

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Connie Jones Chairman, Board of Directors



# Creating Futures

#### FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS

Our two family resource centers strengthen families and the underserved impoverished neighborhoods that surround them. The Centers provide a safe environment that help children, families & seniors become stable, and self- sufficient. We provide local youth with tutoring and after-school programs.

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#### FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS

CAPOC believes that every person has the right to live without fear of hunger. The OC Food Bank works to eliminate hunger in Orange County by providing food to nearly 400 community organizations that feed hungry children, families, seniors, and veterans. We also provide emergency food assistance.

#### PROVIDING HOPE

We work with residents to improve their communities by identifying and addressing issues that impact neighborhood decline. We build stronger neighborhoods, empower residents, and assist local community members to become leaders of change.

#### ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Our programs aid low-income clients who need assistance paying their utility bills during crisis. They learn through consumer education how to conserve energy and save money. Weatherization and energy efficiency/conservation programs help low-income populations to reduce their energy bills.

#### ASSET AND COMMUNITY BUILDING

CAPOC works with residents to support themselves. We educate residents on making healthy and nutritious food choices while also increasing physical activity. Our programs teach neighborhoods to build financial stability, create savings, and provide free tax preparation assistance to increase economic opportunities.

# Impacting Lives

Maria Elena Dector is a mother of five struggling each day to feed her children. With 8-month old twin babies, she is unable to return to work full time due to the high cost of childcare. Her husband works long hours in landscaping but still does not earn enough to support the family.

Community Action Partnership of Orange County has noticed a rise in family hunger due to circumstantial factors such as insufficient working wages combined with the high cost of childcare, rent, and food. These families do not deserve to go days without food. To help solve this problem we started a unique fresh fruits and vegetables distribution program that provides vulnerable families like Maria's with 20 pounds of locally grown produce every week for the whole year.

"This program has benefited my family, especially my kids, by giving us access to fruits and vegetables that improve our health. Being able to receive these fruits and vegetables has alleviated our financial load and the wonder if we will have something to eat," stated Maria.

Maria is an active participant in our Community Engagement Advisory Committee and a loyal volunteer at our El Modena Family Resource Center.

Our programs help families get back on their feet to become engaged members of their communities. Everyday, we help people and change lives.





Pounds of Food Distributed



to nearly 400 partners that served 74,172 low-income households



Backpacks Distributed to Low-Income Children

1,766 backpacks

filled with essential school supplies to give every child the best chance to succeed

Low-Income Families Who Received Utility Assistance in Times of Crisis

7,126 families We performed minor home repairs and weatherized 674 low-income homes to reduced utility bills

Low-Income Seniors Provided with a Monthly Box of Food



Children Educated on Nutrition and Benefits of Exercise



Students who Received their GED through our ACCESS Program

15 students

314 students were enrolled in after-school tutoring in writing, math, sciences, and the arts

Dollars Saved through our Free Tax Preparation Services

\$713,538 allowing 544 households to become more financially stable



Summer Lunches Provided to Low-Income Children



Number of Much Needed Shoes Given to Low-Income Children

173 pairs of shoes 1,300 children were given toys at the holidays

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Since our inception in 1965, CAPOC has matured into an \$18 million a year organization, enabling us to alleviate hunger, educate youth, and create financial stability for Orange County's most vulnerable. In fiscal year 2013, CAPOC received funding from committed and engaged individuals, foundations, corporations, and governmental donors. Thank you.

	Year End	Year End
	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Revenue, gains, and other support:		
Governmental contracts and grants	\$9,595,916	\$9,439,747
Commodities	7,107,332	7,735,886
Private contracts	468,966	561,961
Donations	1,418,962	1,045,532
Investment income	4,972	861
Shared maintenance	117,823	83,114
Other	20,537	813,700**
Total revenue, gains and other support	\$18,734,508	\$19,680,801
Expenses		
Program Services		
Energy and Environmental Services	4,099,194	3,470,057
Department of Energy ARRA	-	1,307,946
Community Partnership and Services	1,141,123	1,138,445
Food Services	10,953,447	11,064,982
Agency	166,294	159,296
Total Program Services	16,360,058	17,140,726
Supporting Services		
Management and general	1,380,019	1,304,484
Fundraising	338,865	320,041
Total Supporting services	1,718,884	1,624,525
Total Expenses	\$18,078,942	\$18,765,251
Increase in net assets	655,566	915,550
Net Assets at beginning of year	5,346,742	4,431,192
Net assets at end of year	\$6,002,308	\$5,346,742

\*\* One time mitigation beneficial award



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