# Clatsop Community Action

# **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Clatsop Community Action (CCA), a non-profit corporation, has been serving Clatsop County Oregon's low-income residents since 1984 with supportive housing, energy assistance, assessment and referral services, under an active Board of Directors, that represents our community's low-income residents, business and public officials and other community stakeholders.

CCA operates the Regional Food Bank (RFB) located in Warrenton, safely distributing dry staples, meat, fresh produce, and frozen and refrigerated foods to multiple food pantries and meal sites throughout Clatsop County who directly serve homeless and those individuals and their families who are below or atpoverty level. The RFB network distributes 1.5 million pounds of



food annually, translating to approximately 1,210,000 meals for Clatsop County residents suffering from hunger and hunger insecurity. The RFB also operates the Food Bank Fresh Mobile Produce Pantry, distributing fresh produce directly to those in need. With the help of dedicated volunteers, the Mobile Produce Pantry distributed over 220,000 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables this summer season alone.

CCA's supportive housing case managers and energy assistance program specialist work extensively and collaboratively with all other community partnerships whose relationships are critical to serving the chronically homeless and low-income veteran populations.

Referrals and self-referrals to CCA, via either by phone or walk-in for calendar year 2014 came to 1,483 clients requesting services. CCA strives to provide a welcoming and personal face-to-face interaction with all clients who call or walk-in with various crises related to housing situations, clothing and personal item needs, domestic issues needing a referral to the monthly legal services clinic, directions to the food pantries and meal sites are "all in a day's work. Clatsop Community Action's Energy Assistance program coordinates services for Veterans and their families Case Manager to provide individualized services to individuals and their families who meet eligibility criteria for each of our programs.

#### FUNDRAISING EVENTS

CCA has sponsored the yearly Coastal Harvest of Giving, 5 O'Clock Somewhere (with Providence Seaside Hospital) and various fund raising events throughout the year as well as private, business and organization donations of food or funds, municipal, county, state and federal grants for our supportive housing and energy assistance programs, as well as United Way of Clatsop County. CCA is a Better Business Bureau accredited charity.

The Regional Food Bank is the result of partnerships with Oregon Food Bank, Feeding America, Fred Meyer, Safeway, Cash & Carry, Astoria COOP, Starbuck's, and generous support from private, business and organizational donations.

#### CORPORATE GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Clatsop Community Action has the capacity to receive corporate giving opportunities through private trusts and through project-specific fundraising events



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## **Mission Statement:**

"We help people meet housing, food and other basic living needs."

Vision/Goals:

Mobilizing Resources to End Poverty/ CCA.

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