



Fall, 2021 Edition

Community Action for Wyoming County NEWSLETTER

Events

Save the Date!

- ◆ Wyoming County Suicide Prevention Walk! 9/29/21
- ◆ 2021 Christmas Programs (Starting in October)
- ◆ Cornerstone Pop Up Pantry Dates
 - 09/16/21
 - 10/21/21
 - 11/18/21

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- ◆ Employment & Skills Training
- ◆ Housing & Section 8 Programs
- ◆ Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS)
- ◆ Community & Family Services
- ◆ Community Action Angels
- ◆ Medical Transportation
- ◆ Healthcare Navigation

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◆ Youth Summer Employment Program

Every year, the Community Action Employment & Training Division mobilizes the Youth Summer Employment Program. This Program helps youth, ages 14 to 20, get paid job experience in their field of interest in Wyoming County. Over 50 local youth and 20 employers participated in this program in 2021.

Before the Summer program began, Kaitlyn, was volunteering with the **Wyoming County SPCA** in Attica. Kaitlyn was hired on through the summer program allowing her to obtain paid work experience. After she completes the summer program on September 30, her plan is to continue volunteering during the school year as she pursues a career path as a veterinarian technician.



After graduating high school in June, Emanee was struggling to find employment that would work with her child's daycare schedule. The summer program allowed for her to develop a flexible work schedule and gain work experience at **For the Love of Flour Bakery** in Perry. She is now able to use her food service experience to help her pursue her Food Handler Certification.

Siblings, Emily and Elizabeth, entered their first year in the program while their brother, Caleb, was coming back for his third. Caleb quickly became a mentor to them at the **Little Red Caboose** in Arcade where they assisted with daily operations and cleaning.



Not shy of hard work or trying new things, Jamie entered into the summer program working as a farmhand at **George's Dairy Farm** in Strykersville. During his time at the farm Jamie expressed that he learned something new every day.

If you would like to learn more about the 2022 Youth Summer Employment Program, please call the **Employment & Training Division at 585-237-2600**.

◆ Wyoming County Suicide Prevention Walk

In honor of National Suicide Awareness Month, please join us in supporting a great cause; The Wyoming County Suicide Prevention Walk! So many lives have been affected by suicide in Wyoming County alone. Please help us raise awareness and show support to our community members!

For more information, please visit the Wyoming County Suicide Prevention Coalition Facebook page; <https://www.facebook.com/wyomingcountyspc>.

When: Wednesday, September 29th, 2021 from 5PM to 7PM

Where: Wyoming County Vets Club, 245 W. Buffalo St., Warsaw

Event Highlights: Hot Dogs, Ice Cream by Yummies, Rock Painting, Side Walk Chalking, and Community Resources!

Wyoming County Crisis Line: 585-283-5200 / Crisis Text Line: Text "Can we talk" to 74171

Angel Action Christmas Programs

◆ Christmas Sponsor & Giveaway Program

Every year, the Angel Action Division of Community Action holds the Christmas Programs to help Wyoming County families with Christmas gifts for their children. This time of year can be challenging when living month to month, trying to make ends meet. Community Action is here to lessen the burden and help give local children a great Christmas.

Become a Sponsor and/or Donor:

A **Family Christmas Sponsor** will be assigned a family, or more, depending on the number of children you would like to sponsor. The program is anonymous. However, we will provide specific information regarding the children's ages, interests and clothing sizes to shop for them. A **Giveaway Program Donor** can provide general children's toys and clothing from newborn to the teenage years. Families in this program will be able to "shop" (at no cost to them) and pick out gifts for their children.

Drop off days for both programs have not yet been scheduled.

Register for the Program:

If you are facing financial difficulties and would like to be added to the list for one of these programs, please call 585-237-2600 starting in October.

◆ Winter Clothing Drive

Community Action is looking for donations of gently used or new winter clothing such as coats, long sleeve shirts, sweatshirts, pants and snow gear of all sizes and ages!

If you would like to donate, please call 585-237-2600 to schedule a drop-off. If you are in need of winter apparel for you or your child, please call 585-237-2600.

Follow us on Social Media!

You can find us on **Facebook**, **LinkedIn** and **Instagram** to keep up to date with current programs, services, events and opportunities!

Interested in Volunteering?

Call and ask for the Volunteer Coordinator. Or visit our website to download the application.

Subscribe to our Newsletter!

Visit our website, wccainc.org and click subscribe to stay up to date on what's happening at Community Action and in our Community!

Apply for Section 8

If you are interested in applying for Section 8 housing assistance or to see if you qualify, please call 585-237-2600. You can also print the application on our website, wccainc.org and mail to 6470 Rt. 20A Perry, NY 14530.

Donor Spotlight!

Thank you to the following who make it a priority to help support Community Action all year long through generous donations. You are truly making a difference!

- ◆ **Audrey Brown**
- ◆ **Complete Payroll**
- ◆ **Samantha Halsey**

If you would like to help support Community Action through monthly automatic giving, please call 585-237-2600.

Planned Giving

Are you a dedicated community member who is passionate about Community Action and its mission? Please consider becoming an annual donor or leaving a legacy gift. The impact you will have on the Wyoming County community will be honored, remembered and cherished for years to come. Community Action will use these assets to continue to improve community programs for families and individuals in need.