#### **Head Start Centers**

Baker County 139 Roosevelt Street Newton 39870 (229) 734-5564

Calhoun County 18904 Morgan Road Arlington 39813 (229) 725-3442

Colquitt County 570 Jonah Tillman Road Moultrie 31788 (229) 985-7400

CRK 2103 E Broad Avenue Albany 31705 (229) 432-5440

Decatur/Grady 215 School Road Climax 39834 (229) 246-6458

Dougherty Admin Office 317 W First Avenue Albany 31701 (229) 436-9022

Early County 5050 Freeman Road Blakely 39823 (229) 723-6814

Harvey Road 2423 Harvey Road Albany 31701 (229) 446-4959

Lee County 145 Groover Street Leesburg 31763 (229) 759-2559

Leslie 264 Leslie Highway Leesburg 31763 (229) 759-1800

Lippitt 819 Lippitt Drive Albany 31701 (229) 420-7331

Miller County 739 N 4th Street Colquitt 39837 (229) 758-3860 Mitchell County 111 S Perry Street Camilla 31730 (229) 522-9995

Moultrie Road 111 Moultrie Road Albany 31705 (229) 435-6580

Multipurpose Center 209 Slater King Drive Albany 31701 (229) 436-6234

Seminole County 710 E MLK Drive Donalsonville 39845 (229) 524-6060

Sumter County 915 N Lee Street Americus 31719 (229) 924-7666

Terrell County 2526 Albany Highway Dawson 39842 (229) 995-3473

Thomas County 915 Lester Street Thomasville 31792 (229) 226-2595

Tift 622 W Tift Avenue Albany 31701 (229) 434-7338

Tri-County 116 Rogers Street Buena Vista 31803 (229) 649-3389

Whitney 1129 W Whitney Avenue Albany 31701 (229) 436-2055

Worth County 504 E Price Street Sylvester 31791 (229) 776-5081

### Neighborhood Service Centers

A network of 11 Neighborhood Service Centers is maintained. These offices are located within the 14-county primary service area and serve as the local offices where clients can apply for all services other than Head Start/Early Head Start.

Baker County 165 W Circle Drive Camilla 31730 (229) 336-5797

Calhoun County 104 Maxwell Street Arlington 39813 (229) 725-1325

Colquitt County 912 First Avenue SE Moultrie 31768 (229) 985-3610

Decatur County 1732 Bethel Road Bainbridge 39817 (229) 246-3119

Dougherty County 317 W First Avenue Albany 31701 (229) 883-1365

Early County 1241 S Main Street Blakely 39823 (229) 723-3190

Grady County 260 Second Avenue SE Cairo 39828 (229) 377-3213 Lee County 317 W First Avenue Albany 31701 (229) 883-1365

Miller County 360 S 4th Street Colquitt 39837 (229) 758-2848

Mitchell County 165 W Circle Drive Camilla 31730 (229) 336-5797

Seminole County 360 S 4th Street Colquitt 39837 (229) 758-2848

Terrell County 771 Rountree Drive SW Dawson 39842 (229) 995-4121

Thomas County 127A/B Smith Avenue Thomasville 31792 (229) 228-1162

Worth County 504 E Price Street Sylvester 31791 (229) 776-4851





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## **The Organization**

s a result of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, Southwest Georgia Community Action Council, Inc. (CAC) was chartered in September of 1965 as a 501(c)(3) private, non-profit corporation to develop and administer programs designed to provide families opportunities to obtain and maintain economic and social independence.

One of approximately 1000 community action agencies nationwide, CAC is empowered to receive federal, state, local, and private funds to provide services. The Agency serves a total of twenty-one (21) counties including: Baker, Calhoun, Clay, Colquitt, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lee, Marion, Miller, Mitchell, Quitman, Randolph, Schley, Seminole, Sumter, Terrell, Thomas, Webster, and Worth.

A Board of Directors comprised of representatives from the public, private, and low-income sectors of the community employs a Chief Executive Officer who is responsible for the administration and supervision of all Agency programs and services.

The Board meets on the 4th Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. These meetings are open to the public and are held at Council Headquarters located at 912 First Avenue SE in Moultrie, Georgia.

Input is solicited from all segments of the community in the identification of needs, the development of services to meet these needs, the mobilization of resources, and the development of program priorities. Advocacy for socioeconomically disadvantaged populations is also a vital role of the Agency.

## **Primary Services • Helping People.** Changing Lives. Building Communities.

Program participants must meet income and/or program criteria set by the funding source before deemed eligible.

#### **Head Start/Early Head Start**

A comprehensive preschool program that serves children prenatal to age five in 18 counties. Head Start is provided to families with children ages 3 & 4 while Early Head Start serves children prenatal to age 3, pregnant women, and their families. Holistic services include professional health screenings and follow-up medical treatment including services to children with disabilities. Funded by Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

#### **Emergency Services**

Services designed to provide assistance in the provision of shelter, payment of utility bills, and procurement of food and other necessities in situations that avert homelessness, prevent cutoffs, and minimize malnutrition. Funded by multiple federal, state, and local sources.

# **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)**

A service whereby income eligible households may receive assistance once each winter to offset the cost of winter heating bills and once each summer to offset summer utility bills. Priority is given to homebound persons, individuals age 65 and above, and those with life threatening medical conditions. Funded by DHHS.

#### **Housing & Energy**

Programs designed to provide housing repairs with a focus on energy conservation, indoor air quality, safety, and accessibility. The primary objective is to reduce energy loss through measures such as insulation, sealing with two-part foam, weather-stripping, caulking, and minor home repairs. Funded by Georgia Environmental Finance Authority.

Programs funded by other sources assist with repair of deteriorating housing conditions, including major renovation of homes.

## **Our Mission**

o collaborate with community partners to provide low-income individuals comprehensive services that promote life-long economic security and self-sufficiency.

#### **Disaster Assistance**

We stand ready in times of natural disasters such as tornados and hurricanes to provide assistance ranging from major home repairs to necessities such as utility and rent deposits, toiletries, food, and clothing vouchers.

#### **Case Management**

A service designed to determine each applicant's level of self-sufficiency and to help them identify and understand ways to become self-reliant. Services may be provided by CAC and/or through services, training, or activities provided by other sources.

#### **Senior Nutrition**

A program designed to meet nutritional needs of homebound senior citizens through the provision of hot, nutritious lunches. Home delivery is provided Monday - Friday. Funded by Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), United Way, and other local donations.

#### **Youth Enrichment Summit (YES!)**

A summer day camp experience for youth ages 12-14. A variety of recreational, character building, and educational activities is provided utilizing the STEAM curriculum focusing on science, technology, engineering, arts & agriculture, and math. Educational field trips and community service projects are also incorporated into the schedule of activities. Funded primarily through local donations.

#### **Community Partnerships**

We enjoy partnering with other community organizations and worthy causes to sponsor events and help people connect to the benefits and resources they need! Examples include community resource fairs and outreach events such as health fairs and job fairs, Toys for Tots drives, food distributions, and collaborative housing ventures.