



## **St. Landry Parish Community Action Agency**

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Dear Community Partner,

We are seeking to form a network of Collaborative partnerships with local businesses, organizations, and Community Leaders to act as a viable referral resource for programs and services that St. Landry Parish Community Action Agency is offering to all qualifying individuals and families within St. Landry Parish.

The St. Landry Parish Community Action Agency is a non-profit organization that is sponsored by St. Landry Parish Government. Our primary objectives are to eradicate poverty and to provide direct and indirect services to the disadvantaged elderly, disabled, young to middle aged residents in St. Landry Parish in the areas of education, energy, Employment, nutrition, economic development, transportation, and institutional change on their behalf.

Our Agency is asking for your assistance to promote all of the programs and services that we have available to qualifying individuals and families in St. Landry Parish that you think would benefit from any of the services that we provide.

We have included a list of programs and services that our Agency can provide to residents within the Parish. Please share our programs and services with all appropriate contacts and advertise at your establishment to help us inform the public of what we have to offer.

If you have any questions or need more information regarding our programs and services, Please contact St. Landry Parish Community Action Agency Monday- Friday between 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M. @ 337-948-3651.

Thank you in advance for your Support.

**"AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER/PROGRAM"**

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**"COMMUNITY ACTION - DETERMINING OUR DESTINY FOR THE FUTURE"**



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## Programs & Services

### St. Landry Parish Community Action Agency's Mission Statement:

**Improving the lives of families by increasing and promoting self-sufficiency to eliminate poverty**  
*"An Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary Aids and Services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. "*

- ❖ **Transportation:** CAA offers Public Transportation services Monday-Friday from 7:30am-3:30pm throughout St. Landry & Lafayette Parishes. We may also accommodate neighboring parishes if the schedule permits. **CASH FARES are accepted.**

If clients would like transportation using their **Medicaid card**, please call:

AmeriGroup 1-866-430-1101

Amerihealth 1-888-913-0364

Healthy Blue 1-877-917-4150

United HealthCare 1-866-726-1472

Louisiana HealthCare Connections 1-855-369-3723

- ❖ **LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program):** When funds are available, CAA assists with utility payments for electric &/or gas bills. The Program is income based and is by **APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Appointment days are determined based on the availability of funding and are on a first-come, first-serve basis.
  - We also offer the Power to Care program for **Entergy** customers as well as CLECO C.A.R.E.S. for **CLECO** customers. Please call (337) 948-3651 for more information.
- ❖ **Senior Food (Commodities):** Seniors 60 years or older may call 1-800-522-3333 for more information. This is an income based program and boxes are issued MONTHLY at various locations throughout the parish.
- ❖ **Second Harvest Food Pantries:** CAA has 3 mobile food pantries a month in Eunice, Port Barre, and Opelousas, weather permitting. Please check the schedule for available dates and times. **You may only attend one pantry per month.**
- ❖ **Prescription Medication Program:** \$500.00 allowance towards any NEW prescription(s). We use several local pharmacies (Shute's; Ken's Glenn's; Carl's; Jagneaux's) throughout St. Landry Parish.
- ❖ **Dental Assistance Program:** \$250.00 voucher to receive dental care (x-rays, exams, possible extractions) with Southwest Primary Healthcare or Dr. Willie Collins, DDS.

- ❖ **Eye Exams/ Vision Program:** \$300.00 voucher to Dr. Van Christian's Optometry Clinic for a routine eye exam. *Glasses, contact lenses, and other tests are not covered.*
- ❖ **Emergency Food Boxes:** Client or family will receive a box of non-perishable food items from our on-site pantry in the case of any emergency (fire, loss of job, etc.)
- ❖ **Senior Companion Program:** You must be 55 years of age or older to participate in this program as well as meet the appropriate income guidelines. The program is designed for the companions to offer companionship and support to the elderly of our parish by offering encouragement, assisting with light duties, and running errands such as picking up medications. Volunteers are provided with a stipend every 2 weeks for 15 hours or more each week as well as transportation reimbursement. CAA holds several special events throughout the year to honor our volunteers!
- ❖ **Weatherization:** Although CAA no longer houses the Weatherization program within the agency, the Weatherization Assistance is still available through St. Mary Parish Community Action. Interested applicants may contact them 337-828-5703 for more information.
- ❖ **Medicaid Applications:** CAA is a Certified Medicaid Application Center for individuals to apply for Medicaid Insurance coverage. Applicants may call to schedule an appointment and will be served with 3-5 business days. For more information about Medicaid, please visit [ldh.la.gov](http://ldh.la.gov).
- ❖ **Fingerprinting Services:** Offered to Department of Education (DOE) employees who have previously completed prior background check information with their employer.
- ❖ **Emergency Food & Shelter (FEMA):** When funds are available, CAA assists clients with utilities (electric, gas, & water) as well as rent or mortgage payments. **APPOINTMENT ONLY.**
- ❖ **COVID-19 Relief/CARES ACT Programs:** programs for those who have experienced hardships related to COVID 19 pandemic. **(ONLY WHILE SUPPLIES/ FUNDING LASTS)**
  - Rental/Mortgage Assistance:** Eligible individuals will receive assistance with PAST DUE Rent/Mortgage payments for up to 3 months or \$2000.00.
  - Food Voucher Program:** Eligible individuals will receive a food voucher to a local grocery store. Families 1-2 will receive \$100.00, Families 3 or more will receive \$150.00.
  - Goodwill Gift Card:** Eligible individuals will receive a Gift Card to goodwill for clothing. Families or 1-2 will receive \$75.00, Families of 3 or more will receive \$125.00.
  - Laptops for College Students:** Eligible College students will receive a Laptop computer from CAA.
  - School Supplies for Grades PreK- 8<sup>th</sup>:** Eligible students will receive a variety of school supplies. Supplies are pre-packaged. Limit 2 per household.

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We look forward to developing more programs and partnerships to assist the clients of St. Landry Parish!

Please note that all programs require a current state issued ID or driver's license for the primary applicant as well as any household member 18 years of age or older, social security cards for ALL household members, proof of income for ALL household members, and utility bill(s). Other forms of verification are required based on program guidelines.

**FY2020 Louisiana 60% State Median Income Limits by Household Size**

**Low Income Home Energy Assistant Program (LIHEAP) Income Eligibility Limits for 2020:**

	Monthly	Annually
1.	\$1,948	\$23,371
2.	\$2,547	\$30,562
3.	\$3,146	\$37,753
4.	\$3,745	\$44,944
5.	\$4,345	\$52,135
6.	\$4,944	\$59,326
7.	\$5,056	\$60,674
8.	\$5,169	\$62,023
9.	\$5,281	\$63,371
10.	\$5,393	\$64,719
11.	\$5,506	\$66,068
12.	\$5,618	\$67,416
13.	\$5,730	\$68,764
14.	\$5,843	\$70,113
15.	\$5,955	\$71,461

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**2020 Department of Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines for CSBG Services (Dental, Medication, Vision, or Medical Assistant Program) based on ANNUAL INCOME**

1	\$15,950
2	\$21,550
3	\$27,150
4	\$32,750
5	\$38,350
6	\$43,950
7	\$49,550
8	\$55,150

\*For families with more the nine (9) person, add \$5,600 for each additional person.

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**2020 USDA Food for Seniors (Commodities) Federal Financial Guidelines by Household Size**

	Annual	Monthly
1	\$16,588	\$1,383
2	\$22,412	\$1,868
3	\$28,236	\$2,353
4	\$34,060	\$2,839
5	\$39,884	\$3,324
6	\$45,708	\$3,809
7	\$51,532	\$4,295
8	\$57,356	\$4,780

For each additional family member, add \$5,824 annually or \$486 monthly.