

CALIFORNIA/NEVADA COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP

Helping People. Changing Lives.

California/Nevada Community Action Partnership (Cal/NeVa)

is the trade association of Community Action Agencies (CAAs) and other non-profit community-based organizations that deliver human services to almost 4 million low-income Californians annually.

What we do

Cal/NeVa provides its members with training, quarterly meetings and an Annual Conference and Poverty Summit to assist in combating poverty in California. Association member education/information is supplied to legislative, administrative and regulatory bodies. Cal/NeVa promotes and facilitates partnerships with other associations and organizations.

Our Programs

Cal/NeVa was incorporated in 1976. Our programs include:

- Capacity Building
- Training & Technical Assistance
- Member Services
- Advocacy
- Asset Building
- Outreach & Education

Membership

Cal/NeVa members are primarily CAAs that are the federally designated anti-poverty agency in their communities. Each CAA is governed by a tri-partite board that consists of one-third low-income people, one-third elected officials, and one-third business and services sector representatives to oversee the development of services and meet locally identified needs.

Current Cal/NeVa Projects

- Asset Development Learning Cluster Project
- Community Action Sharing Hope Earned Income Tax Credit Campaign
- California Achieves Results through Excellence
- Pathways to Excellence
- Peer to Peer Project
- Training & Technical Assistance “Promoting Organizational Excellence” Project
- “Fulfilling the Promise” American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Education and Outreach Project—

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Our primary partners include: State of California Community Services Department, Citibank, Office of Community Services and the California Community Economic Development Association.

Community Services

The federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides funding to California local communities to assist low-income people in attaining the skills, knowledge and resources necessary to achieve self-sufficiency. The State of California Community Services and Development Department and Federal Office of Community Services administrate the CSBG funds.

CSBG National Goals

Low-income people become more self-sufficient; Conditions in which low-income people live are improved; Low-income people own a stake in their community; Partnerships among supporters and providers of services to low-income people are achieved; Agencies increase their capacity to achieve results; Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive systems.



Community Action
ARRA at WORK

California CAA 2008 Achievements*

- 9,469 low-income unemployed participants in community action employment initiatives obtained a job.
- 36,935 low-income participants in tax preparation programs identified Federal or State tax credit.
- 133,450 accessible new or expanded transportation resources were created or saved and are now available.
- 95,937 accessible or increased educational and training placement opportunities are available for low-income people.
- 13,706 low-income people engaged in non-governance community activities or groups created or supported by community action.
- 10,751 organizational partnerships worked with CAAs to promote family and community outcomes.
- \$1,458,563,238 was mobilized by Community Action from Federal Programs, State Programs, Local Public Funding, Private Sources and donated volunteer time.
- 2,562,245 low-income families received emergency food services.
- 131,438 low-income infants and children improved health and physical development as a result of adequate nutrition.

