



# IOWA COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK

## District 3



## ***ICAA Member Agencies***

We are a network of 16 local Community Action Agencies serving all 99 counties in Iowa. The agencies all embrace a similar mission and together aim to create sustainable opportunities and provide valuable resources for Iowans with a low income. We continue to grow and develop new services to help people realize a greater sense of self-sufficiency. The agencies assist individuals and families in need and build stronger, thriving communities all across Iowa.

## ***ICAA's Mission, Vision, & Purpose***

### **Mission**

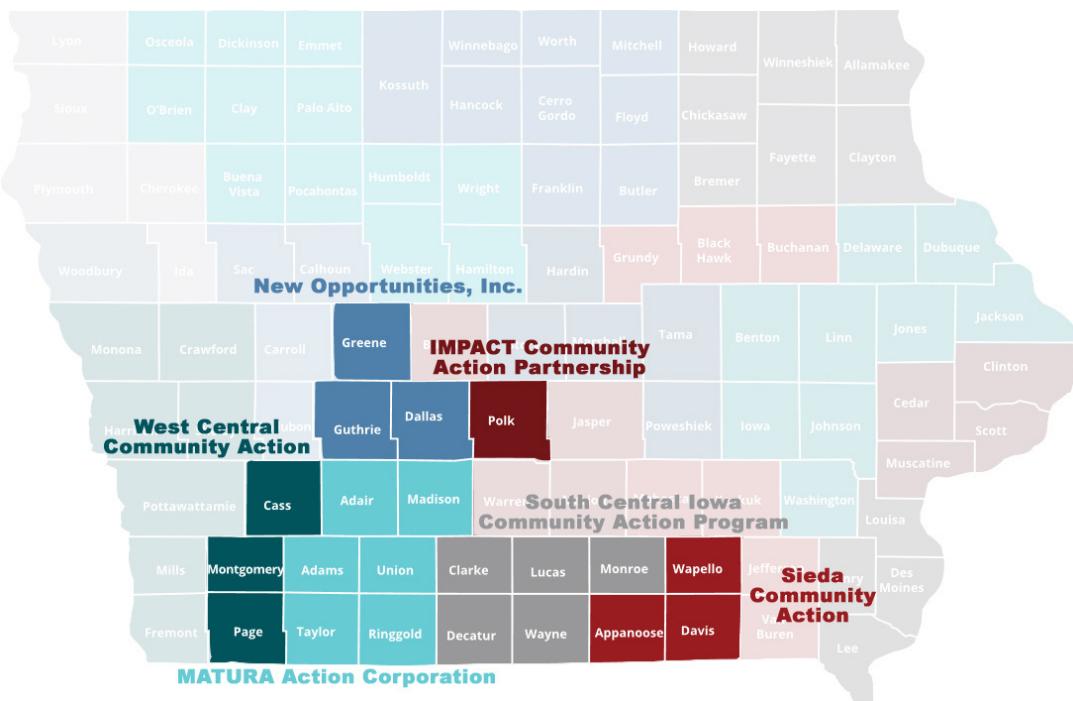
Educating, advocating for, and connecting Community Action Agencies to amplify a unified voice in service of Iowans facing economic hardship.

### **Vision**

Iowa Community Action is the premier force ensuring those with less achieve more.

### **Purpose**

Empowering the Community Action Network to alleviate the causes and conditions of poverty.



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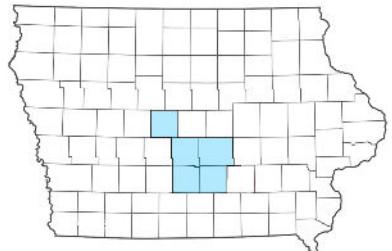
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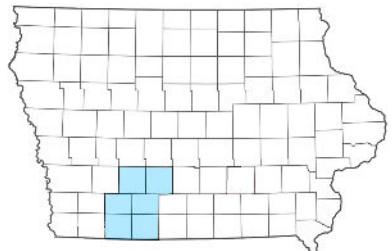
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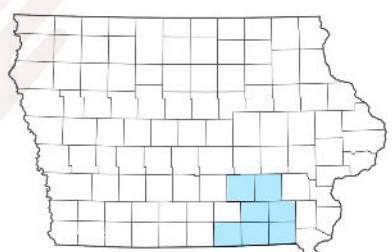
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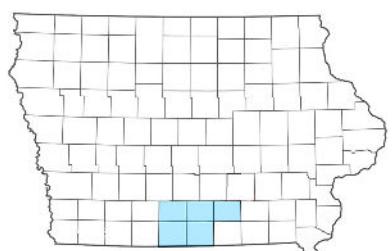
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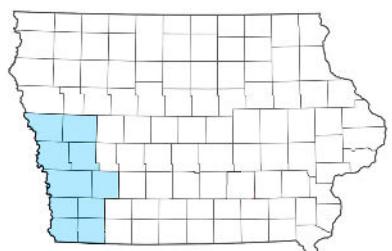
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## Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

*CSBG is a federal, anti-poverty block grant which funds the operations of a state-administered network consisting of more than 1,000 Community Action agencies nationwide.*



**\$4.27**

Average amount leveraged from non-federal sources for every \$1 of Iowa CSBG.



**120,720**

Households served by the Iowa CSBG network.



**112,451**

Households served in Iowa during Fiscal Year 2022.



**\$800**

Average annual utility payment in Iowa in FY2022.



**Priority Customers**

18% had a child under 6  
38% had an elderly member  
49% had a disabled member

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

*LIHEAP helps eligible households with a portion of their residential heating costs.*



**\$423**

Average first year savings per Iowa household.



**926**

Iowa homes weatherized in 2021.



**Priority Customers**

14% had young children  
43% had an elderly member  
30% had a disabled member

## Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)

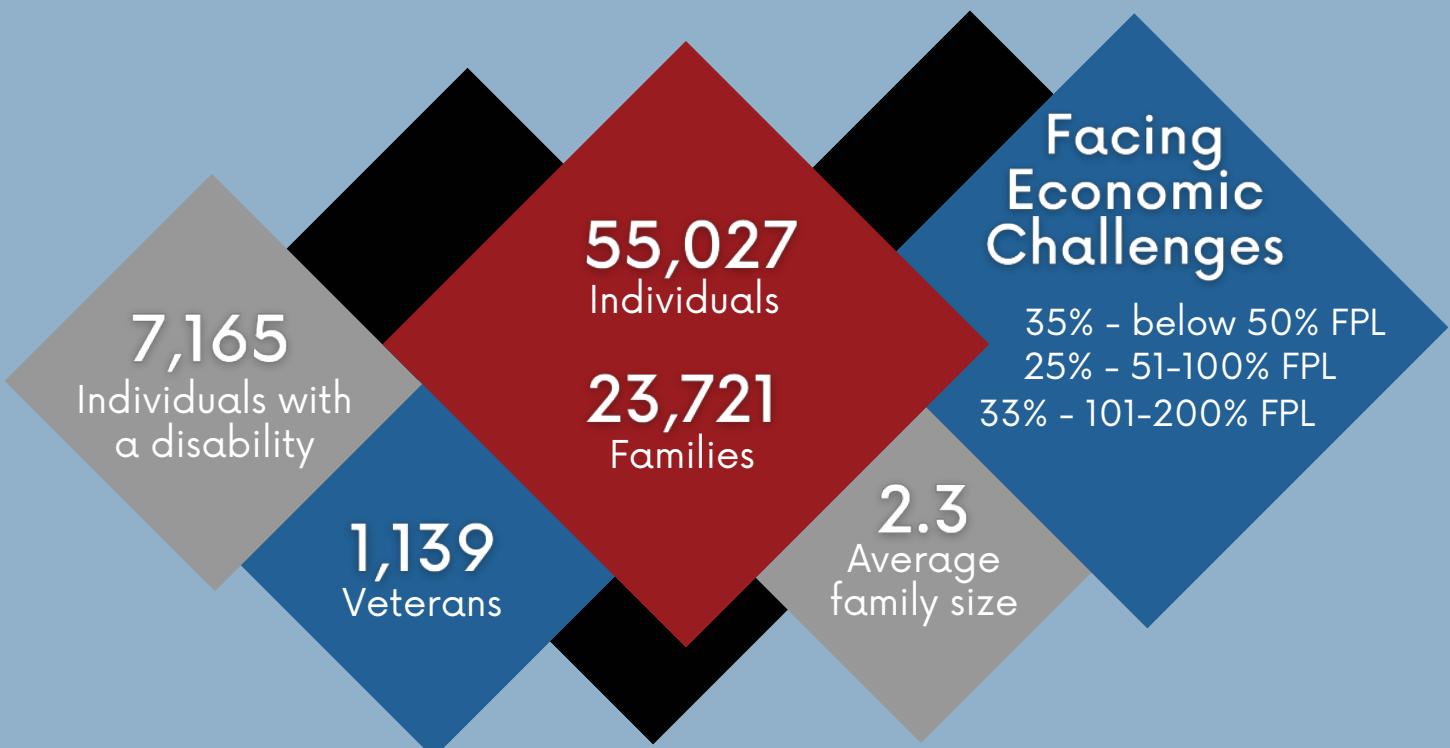
*WAP is a low-income energy efficiency program administered by the Department of Energy (DOE). Its purpose is to make the homes of low-income clients more energy efficient, thereby reducing the households' energy bills.*

# IMPACT Community Action Partnership

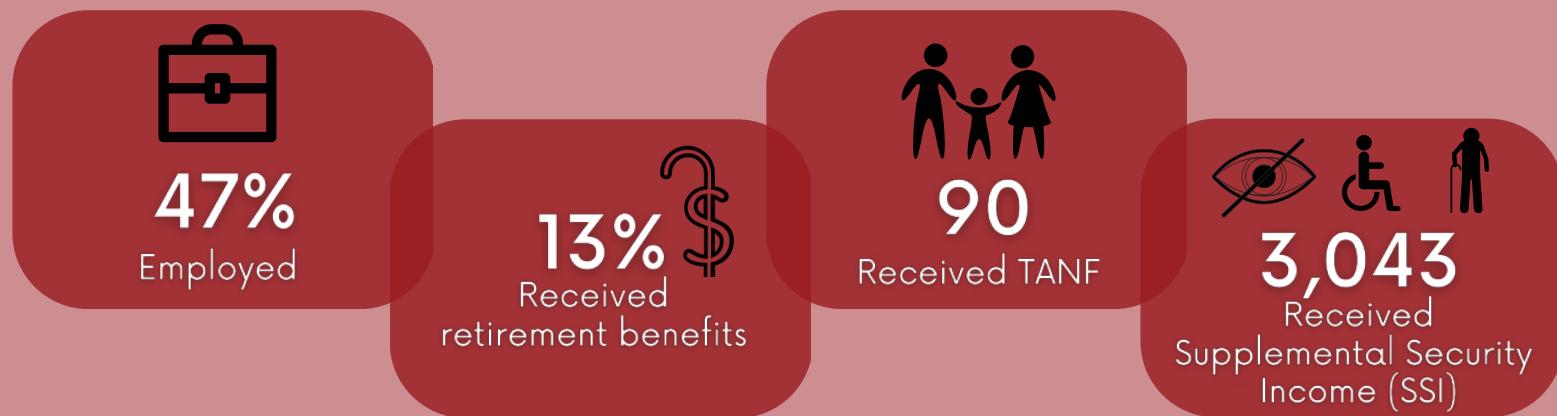
## Counties Served in District 1: Jasper • Marion • Warren

Siblings Alana and Joey, ages seven and five, are best friends. They play together daily. The children don't understand the choices their parents must make during hard times: cover rent, buy food or pay the water bill? Even with both parents employed, this family was at risk of homelessness. IMPACT Community Action Partnership helped this family, and thousands more, with essential needs. IMPACT would like to share a few words directly from one of the 46,000 individuals assisted annually: "This organization goes above and beyond to ensure our community has access to adequate food, shelter, heat, water, even personal care items. The support team shows each family the dignity and respect they deserve regardless of why they are facing hardship."

### Who We Served



### Household Income Sources



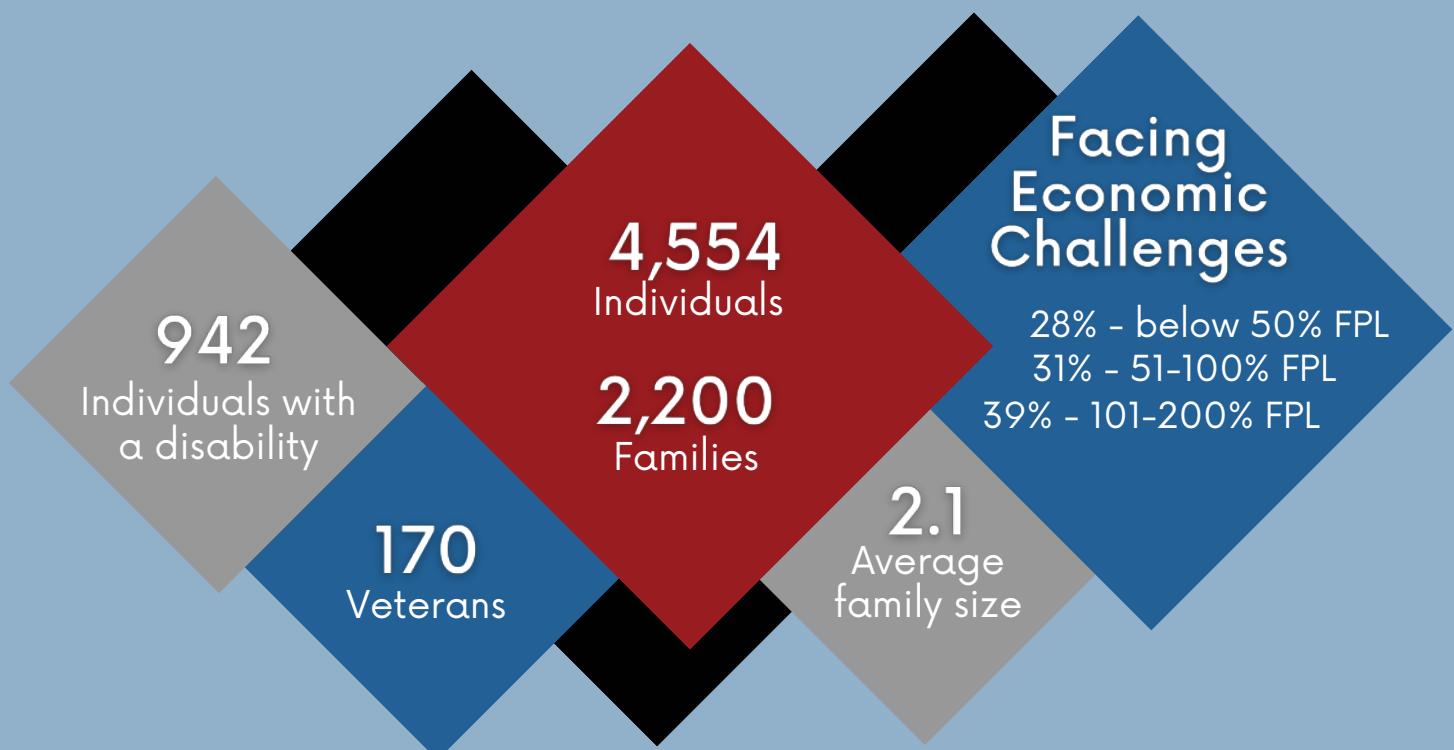
# MATURA Action Corporation

## Counties Served in District 3:

Adams • Adair • Madison • Ringgold • Taylor • Union

Maria is a resident in Union County. After her husband was injured at work, she came into MATURA to ask for assistance after being referred by our WIC program. He was the bread winner, allowing her to stay at home and raise their four kids. She had never had to ask for assistance and was hesitant. MATURA was able to assist with them with back rent, food pantries, LIHEAP, our holiday programs, and their water bill. They were able to get by while her husband was off on medical leave with the help of our programs. He is now back to work and the family was so appreciative of our assistance during this time of need.

### Who We Served



### Household Income Sources



**33%**  
Employed



**27%**  
Received  
retirement benefits



**15**  
Received TANF



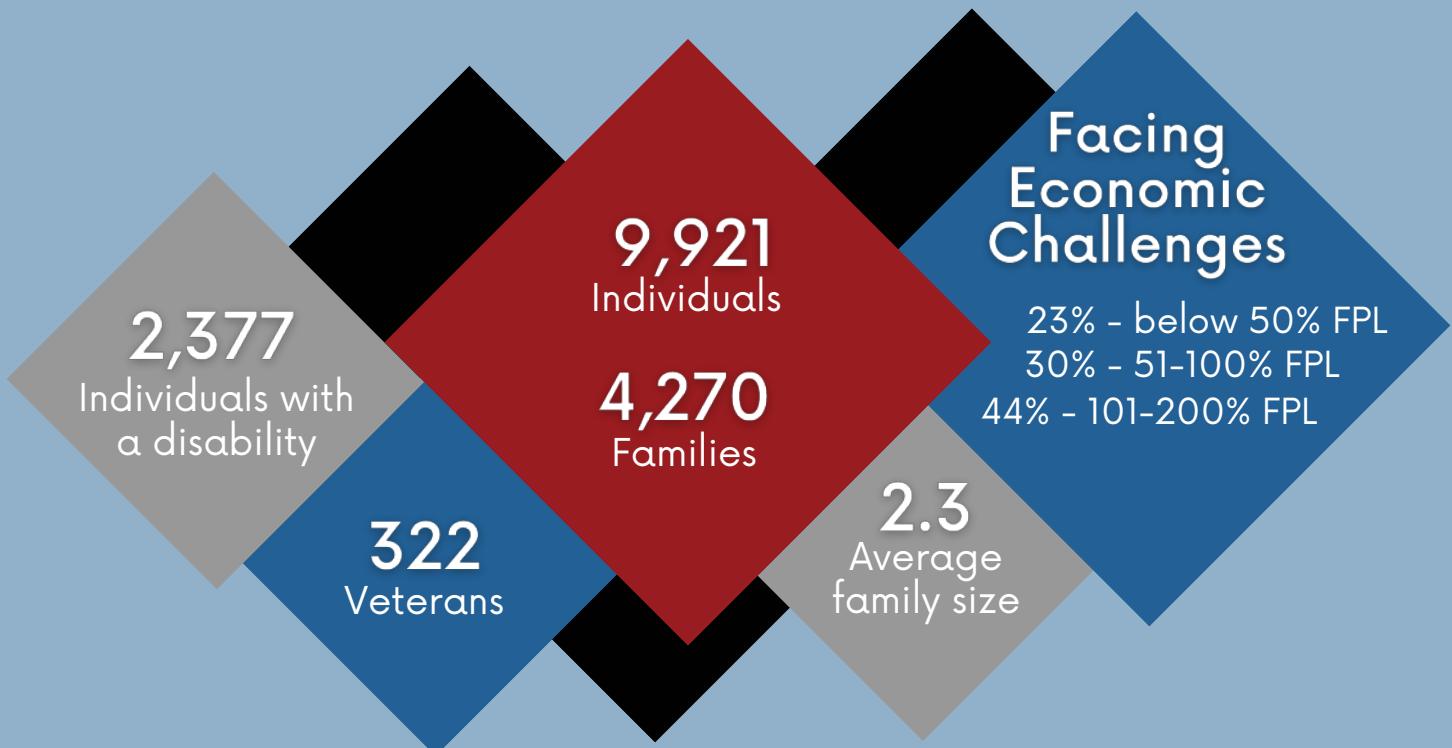
**331**  
Received  
Supplemental Security  
Income (SSI)

# New Opportunities, Inc.

## Counties Served in District 3: Dallas • Greene • Guthrie

A couple from a rural community outside of Carroll was referred to the center looking for assistance with their disconnected electric bill. They had both lost their jobs and were in crisis. The Outreach Coordinator was able to help them with their electric bill and a food pantry. In talking with the Outreach Coordinator, they shared they both had job interviews and were in need of some gas to commute back and forth from their interview. Through the partnership with Carroll County, the Outreach Coordinator was able to connect them with a tank of gas with Carroll County General Assistance. The couple has since come back to the Outreach Center in Carroll to share with the Coordinator that they have secured jobs from their interviews and are working on getting back on their feet.

### Who We Served



### Household Income Sources



**41%**  
Employed



**28%**  
Received  
retirement benefits



**35**  
Received TANF



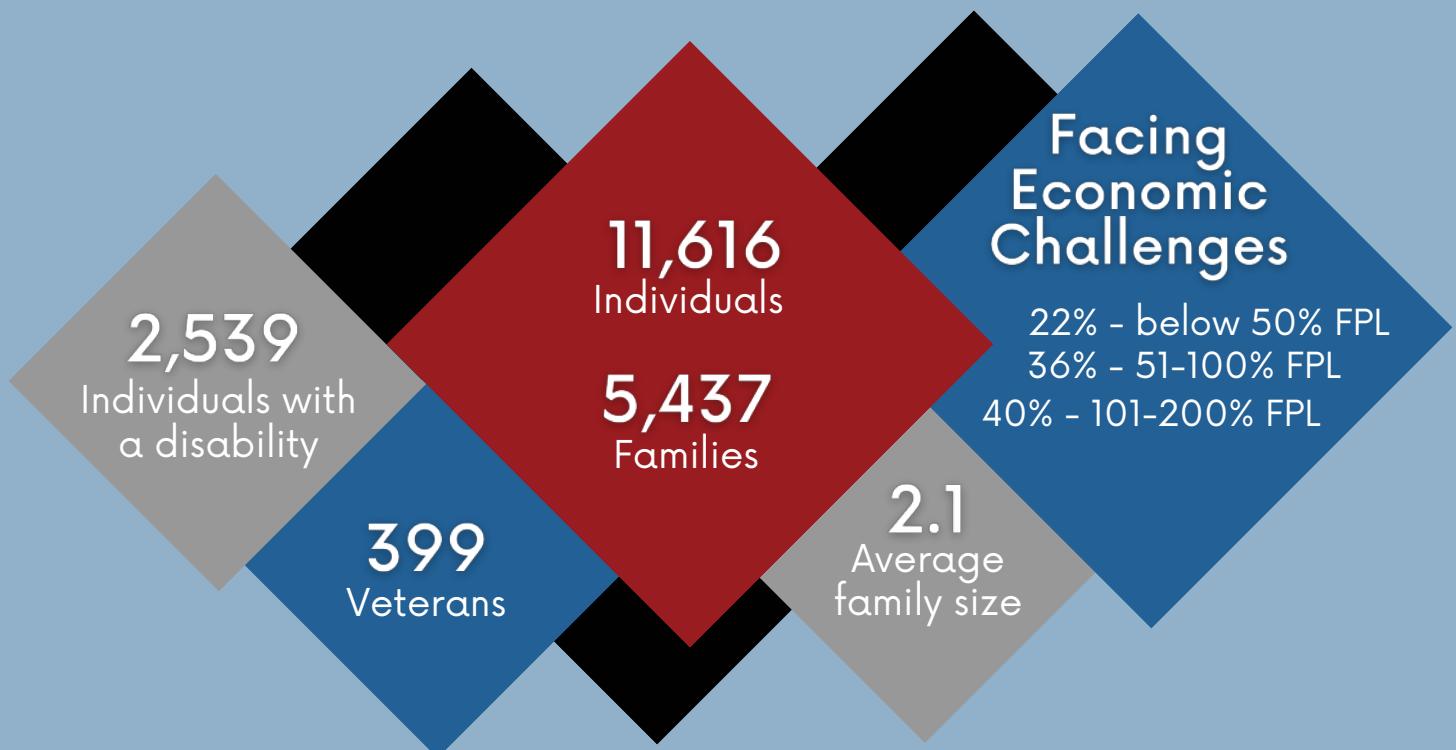
**572**  
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Income (SSI)

# Sieda Community Action

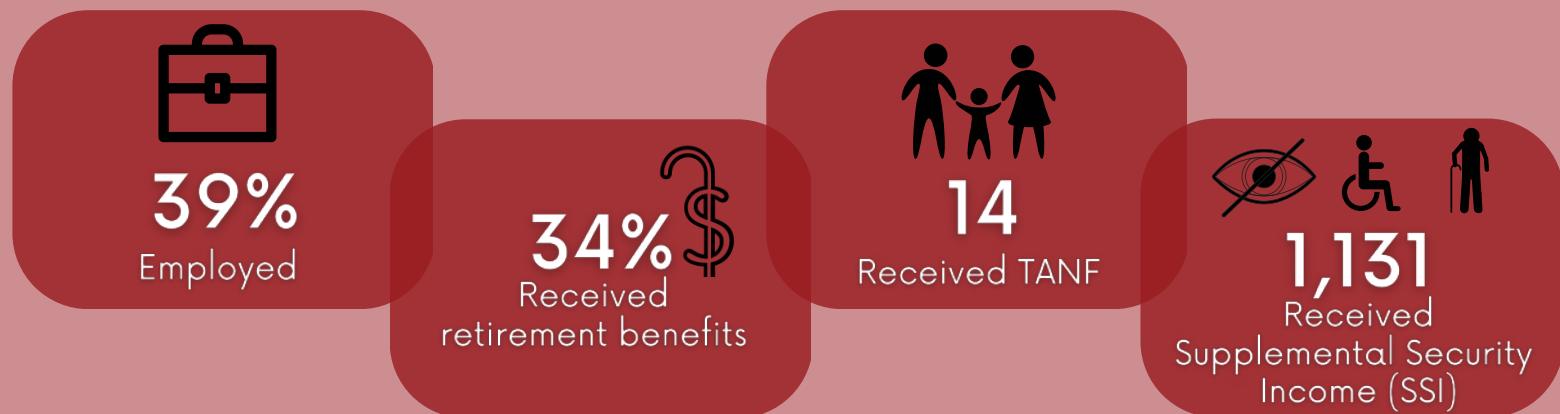
## Counties Served in District 1: Jefferson • Keokuk • Mahaska • Van Buren

In 2020 Sieda Community Action saw that many of the low income families coming to our agency services struggled to provide diapers for their child/children. Diapers were the most requested non-food item from families receiving home visitation services through Sieda, and there were limited avenues for families to secure sufficient diapers for their child/children. With this information in mind, Sieda used the support of a local foundation, CSBG funding, and other local gifts to pilot a diaper program in our largest community in September, 2020. To date, Sieda has distributed more than 85,000 diapers to hundreds of low-income families in Wapello County, and the program has expanded into a second high-need county.

### Who We Served



### Household Income Sources

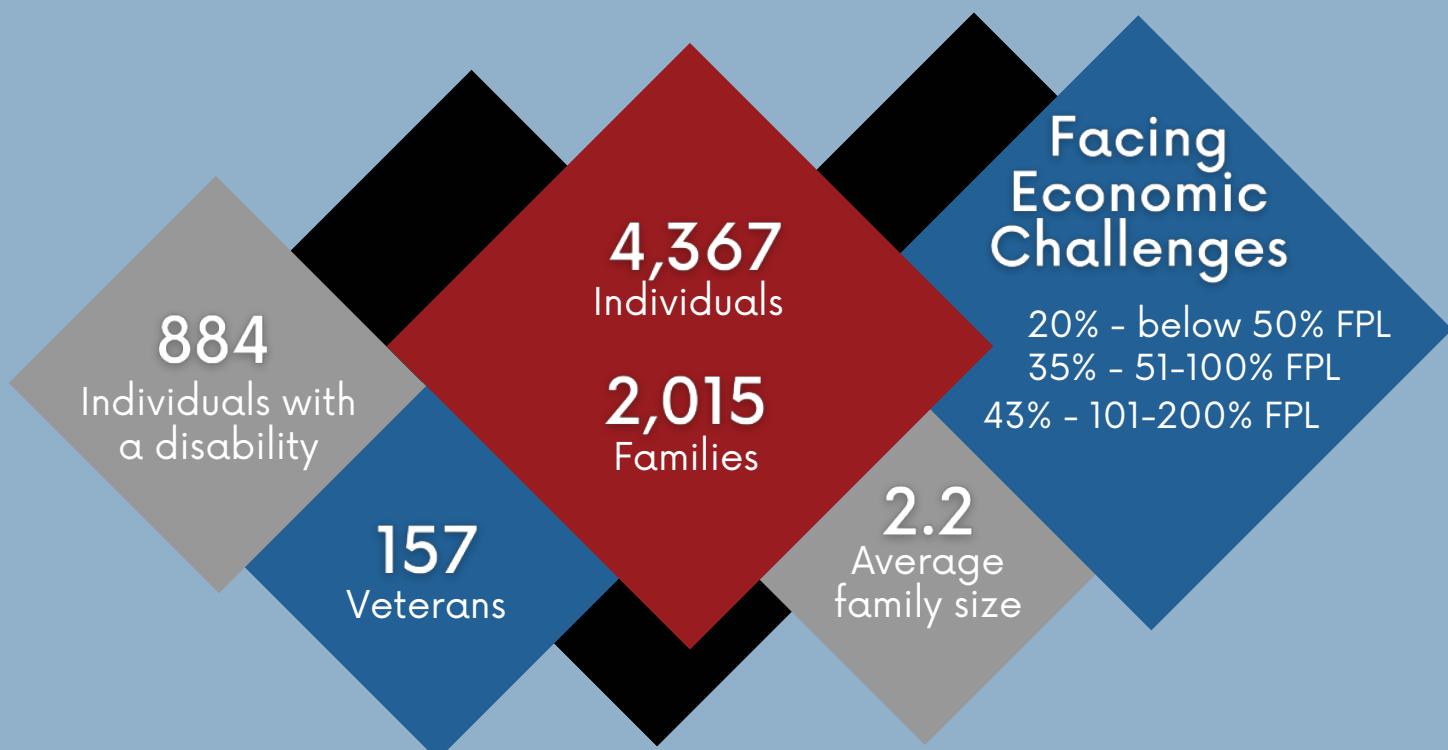


# South Central Iowa Community Action Program

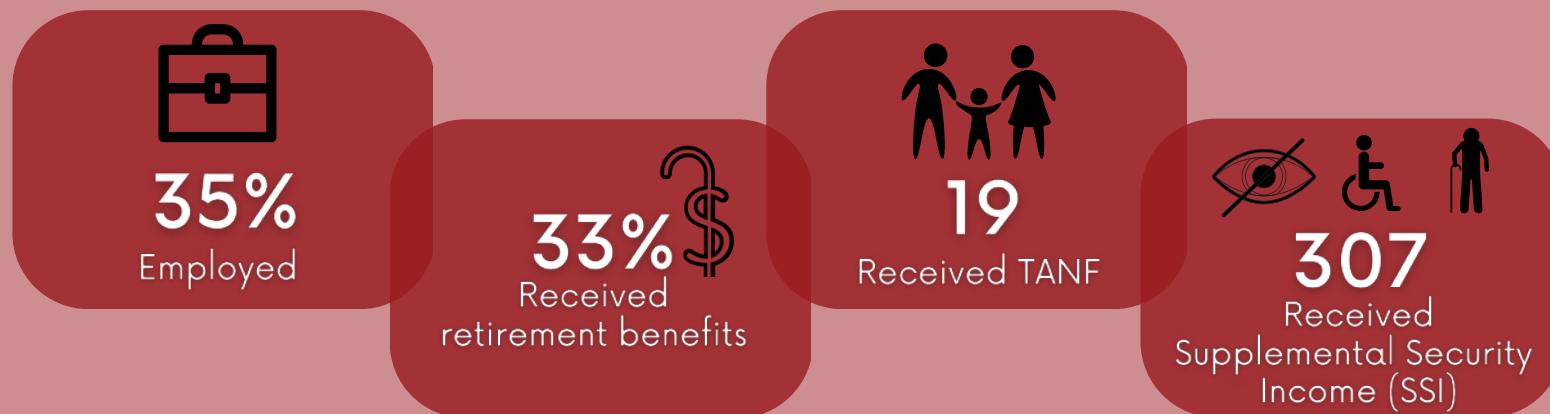
## Counties Served in District 3: Clarke • Decatur • Lucas • Monroe • Wayne

One of SCICAP's clients recently passed away. She and her daughter delivered their newspaper and would always visit when they stopped. The daughter has a learning disability and stopped by with a family friend with paperwork from Medicaid saying she needed to either pay \$60,000 or move from her home as her mother had received medical care from them. SCICAP was able to help her to understand that due to her being a disabled child, the waiver continued, and she did not need to pay or move. She received clear instructions on how to fill out the form and return it. "Thank you so very much for all your help and guidance as we wade through these murky waters we are experiencing. You treat me with respect and kindness, which is so appreciated. Having you as a link between the residents of our community and its resources is a blessing."

### Who We Served



### Household Income Sources

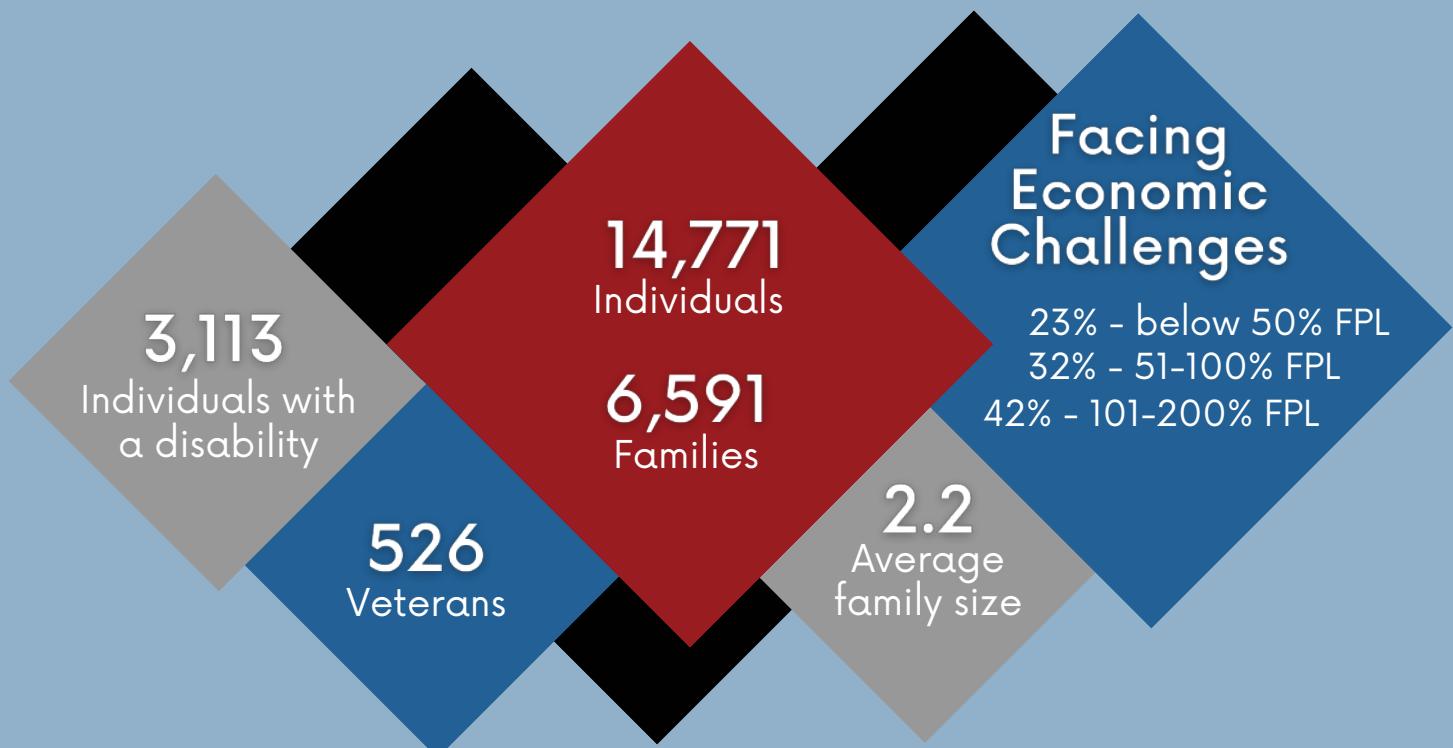


# West Central Community Action

## Counties Served in District 3: Cass • Montgomery • Page

After moving to Iowa, a participant and her daughter were at a loss for resources to pay bills, including utility bills. WCCA worked with the family on budgeting, increasing their support system, finding resources to help pay their bills, and utilizing the LIHEAP and ECIP programs to assist with their utility bills. The mother was also struggling with both physical and mental health issues. Through the assistance and support provided by WCCA, she began receiving treatment through a local health center. WCCA helped her develop an action plan to overcome financial challenges, health problems and empower their family to achieve their highest potential.

### Who We Served



### Household Income Sources

