CAPIC FY2025 IMPACT REPORT



Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc.



Mission & History

The mission of CAPIC is to identify and address the needs, problems, and concerns of those in poverty and to enable the individually poor to achieve and maintain self-sufficiency.

For 58 years, CAPIC has delivered anti-poverty services to local low-income residents within the communities we serve. Since its inception, the agency has initiated numerous anti-poverty strategies that have resulted in restoring self-sufficiency for thousands of area residents. CAPIC serves a diverse and multi-cultural population and has vast expertise in delivering critical services to homeless, at-risk families and individuals

Year in Review

During FY'25, CAPIC provided over 9,800 units of service throughout Chelsea, Revere, & Winthrop. CAPIC administered the following programs/services to individuals and families living in Chelsea, Revere, and/or Winthrop (with the exception of energy-related programs, which serve other communities as well). All of CAPIC's programs worked to assist low-income residents attain self-sufficiency.



Programs and Services

Substance Use Disorders, Crisis Intervention & Emergency Services



The SUDS/Mobile Outreach Program provided over 450 individuals with substance/alcohol-related issues in Chelsea with comprehensive support services. CAPIC works with the City of Chelsea, Selah Resource Center, North Suffolk Mental Health Association, Bay Cove Human Services, & the Chelsea Police Department to provide critical services to those in need.

- CAPIC's SUDS/Mobile Outreach Program received Opioid Settlement
 Fund award from the City of Chelsea to enhance current services and
 resources for individuals in recovery. The SUDS team started a recovery
 group, "Recovery Without Limits" in partnership with BayCove Human
 Services; over 100 individuals participated.
- Placed 29 individuals into sober living at no cost of their own; assisted 88 individuals with access to treatment.
- Distributed food boxes to 160 homeless individuals on a weekly basis and provided breakfast and lunch to 400-450 individuals weekly, in partnership with the Selah Day Resource Center.



CAPIC's Emergency Assistance Program assisted **151** households maintain safe, permanent housing through rental/mortgage assistance/security deposits.

- 236 children received toys for the Christmas/holiday season. CAPIC partnered with the Marines Toys for Tots Program and received donations as well.
- 1,015 gift cards to purchase food were distributed to food insecure individuals/families; an additional 566 individuals received assistance during the holidays.
- 300+ winter coats were distributed to children and adults.

Early Childhood Education & Care

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER - AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM - SUMMER CAMP



- 60 infants, toddlers and preschoolers received full day & full-year quality child care; allowing parents to maintain employment, attend school, and complete training programs.
- 30 families received winter coats through partnership with the Kids Clothes Club.
- 85 youth participated in safe, structured enrichment and development activities during after school hours.
- 85 local youth attended summer camp which included fieldtrips to museums, Franklin Park Zoo, & local parks.
- 9 families received a campership scholarship through a mini grant/partnership with the City of Chelsea.



Head Start & Chelsea/Revere Family Network

- SMART boards were installed in all 12 Head Start classrooms to support the daily learning of the children.
- Tech Goes Home Program was provided to parents where they learned vital computer skills for the current job market.
- 215 children/families were served over the past year.
- 89% of children enrolled were dual language learners.
- 53% of total enrolled moving on to Kindergarten.
- 99% of children had access to on-going health care.
- 97% of children received oral health care and exams.

Heating Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) & Weatherization/Energy Efficiency Programs

CAPIC's HEAP Program (Fuel Assistance) processed **3,173** applications and delivered heating assistance benefits to **2,411** eligible households.



- 37.4% of households receiving heating assistance had at least 1 elderly resident.
- 29% of households receiving heating assistance had children under the age of 6.

Weatherization/Energy Efficiency

- 136 households had their systems repaired or replaced.
- 86 households received heating system tune ups.
- 66 households received free insulation work; making their home more energy efficient.
- 23 households had their refrigerator replaces; 27 received new air conditioners; and 20 had their washing machines replaced.

Financial Empowerment

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VITA) - RESPONSIBLE PAYEE PROGRAM - EMPLOYMENT

- 3 volunteers and 2 staff members prepared state and federal income tax returns for 180 low-moderate income households through CAPIC's VITA Program. Returns were prepared at NO COST to households. A total of \$233,953 in tax refunds was accessed for local residents.
- 215 individuals received responsible payee support services to increase their financial well-being.
- 3 local youth obtained summer employment through a Massport Community Summer Jobs Program Grant awarded to CAPIC. Youth gained job skills, income, & work experience.



Increasing CAPIC's Impact Through Partnerships

Through the CBDG Food Stabilization Grant CAPIC partnered with Mi Amore to support efforts to secure needed resources for Winthrop residents who battle food insecurity. Mi Amore utilizes funds to purchase and distribute food to families who battle food insecurity. Through this partnership with CAPIC, Mi Amore purchases food and distributes it, in a point-to-point system, to families struggling with food insecurity in Winthrop. A total of 36 families (134 individuals) receive food each week.



CAPIC's Head Start program worked with Spoonfuls, a food recovery organization, whose mission is to efficiently deliver fresh food to organizations where it can be have the greatest impact. The program received 200 donated food items that were distributed to families in need.

CAPIC's Emergency Assistance Program received **City of Chelsea Senior Rental Assistance Program funding** – during the first six months of this program a total **16** Chelsea senior residents received rental assistance stipends; avoiding displacement and/or eviction.



Proudly serving Chelsea,

Revere, and Winthrop

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