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# **Daviess County Partnership**



Daviess County's link to Community Services

2016 ANNUAL REPORT

### CONNECTIONS

...To connect Daviess County residents with Resoures that meet their needs."

CONNECTIONS was created to serve as a central clearinghouse for information and referral. CONNECTIONS does not give monetary assistance, but links people in need to appropriate service providers within the county that can offer assistance. CONNECTIONS is staffed by a part-time director and 4 volunteers. Calls are answered on the helpline from 9 am -

Calls are answered on the helpline from 9 am - 12 pm, Monday through Friday with voicemail available for after hours calls.

4 volunteers donated 531 hours of service

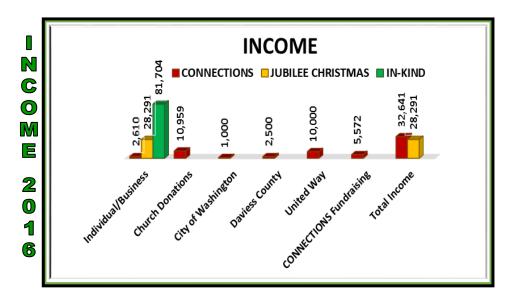
A continually updated database of community resources is maintained offering those in need a broad range of resources that otherwise may be unknown to them. This valuable database of information helps reduce the occurrence of duplication of services and time spent researching calls. Keeping the database updated curtails misuse of the system and exploitation of the limited community resources.

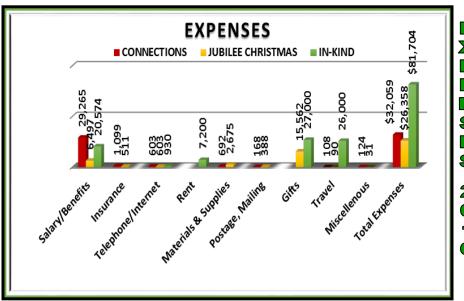
An application is completed on each call for assistance and referrals are made to the resource that may be able to best meet their needs. There were 621 applications completed in 2016 with 433 families receiving assistance.



- Processed 6,791 calls for information and assistance
- Helped 70% of families obtain \$52,612 in assistance

### **2016 FINANCE REPORT**

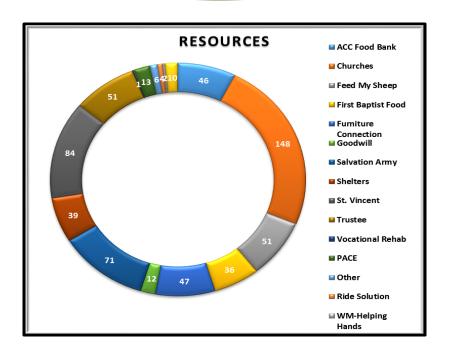




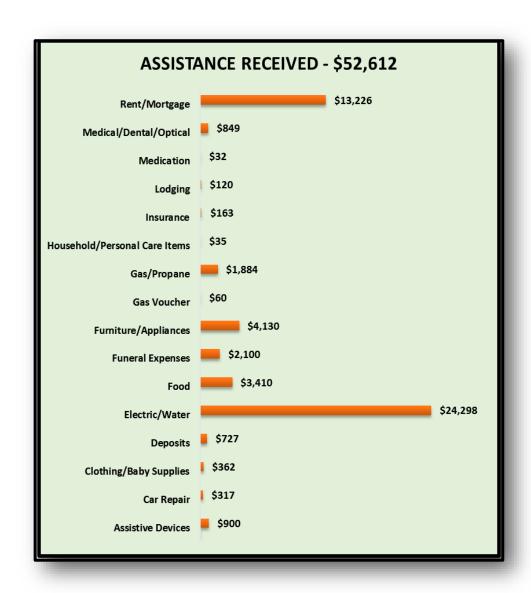
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## CONNECTING WITH FAMILIES...

CONNECTIONS helped 1,187 household members with 491 children under age 18 through referrals to 17 different resources.



- 81% of the 433 families served were at 100% of the Federal Poverty Level
- 56% of the families had an unemployed adult
- 15% of the families had someone in the home that was disabled



## CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY...

#### **RESOURCE DIRECTORY**

CONNECTIONS developed and maintains a Resource Directory of services provided to residents of Daviess County through Local, State and Federal Programs.

- Distributes copies to schools, social service/ health agencies, churches, law enforcement, local government
- may be requested by
- ⇒ Calling (812) 257-2650
- $\Rightarrow$ email: Dcp-connections@gmail.com
- ⇒Download from: dcp-connections.org



#### C.R.O.P.

The Community Resources, Organizations and Programs meeting is sponsored by CONNECTIONS.

The group meets quarterly and serves as a network opportunity for agencies.

#### **WAYS TO HELP OTHERS COLUMN**

A weekly column in the Washington Times Herald, Ways To Help Others offers agencies a unique way of letting the community know how they can help. The weekly listing rotates 31 agencies/ministries with ways people can help, such as monetary donations, items or volunteer time. We currently are unable to track the impact or exact number of people that receive help through this column, but we do know that donations have been given to these agencies/ministries.

### ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS...

#### **JUBILEE CHRISTMAS**



Jubilee Christmas is a local holiday assistance program designed to

help families be the "hero" in their children's eyes by letting them shop for presents, wrap them and take

them home to be opened on Christmas morning. Families are referred to Jubilee Christmas by schools, churches, social service agencies, day care providers, etc.

CONNECTIONS works closely with the other holiday assistance programs to ensure there is no duplication of services.

- ♦ 22 churches/organizations participated as sites or partners on Jubilee Christmas night
- ♦ Served 189 families with 502 children

#### THE FURNITURE CONNECTION

The Furniture Connection accepts used furniture and working appliances to be given to families in need.

CONNECTIONS was able to distribute \$4,130 worth of furniture and appliances to 21 families in 2016.

