

A photograph of a man with a beard and braids holding a young child with braids. They are both looking upwards against a bright, sunlit background. The man is wearing a white t-shirt. The child is wearing a patterned top. The overall mood is warm and positive.

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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The Stark County Community Action Agency, a 501C (3) non-profit organization incorporated in 1981, is the federal and Ohio's designated anti-poverty agency for Stark County, Ohio. The SCCAA is a significant program provider of services, working with a commitment and creativity to promote self-sufficiency among low-income persons. The SCCAA carries out its mission through the provision of innovative, practical and timely programs. The SCCAA provides impact to approximately over 20,000 individuals and families annually, improving their lives; and contributing to the betterment of the Stark County community.

Community collaboration is at the heart of our work to make a significant impact within Stark County. We thank community partners and individual donors whom have assisted us in achieving our mission.

To promote economic self-sufficiency among low-income families and individuals of Stark County.

MISSION STATEMENT

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STARK COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY



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WHO WE ARE

AGENCY PROGRAMS

Head Start & Early Head Start

- Full and Half Day Classes
- Offers Home Based Early Head Start services for children birth to three (3) years of age

Community Action Pathways HUB

- Reducing barriers that can prevent healthy pregnancies and babies

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

- Short-Term help for Heating and Cooling costs
- Income Payment Plan Program
- Fans/Air Conditioners

Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP)

- Energy Audits
- Insulation
- Furnace/Appliance Replacement/Light Bulbs

Community Services / Outreach & Youth Enrichment

- Senior Emergency Nutrition
- Emergency Housing / Utility Assistance
- Summer Employment
- Academic Readiness
- Summer Youth Employment



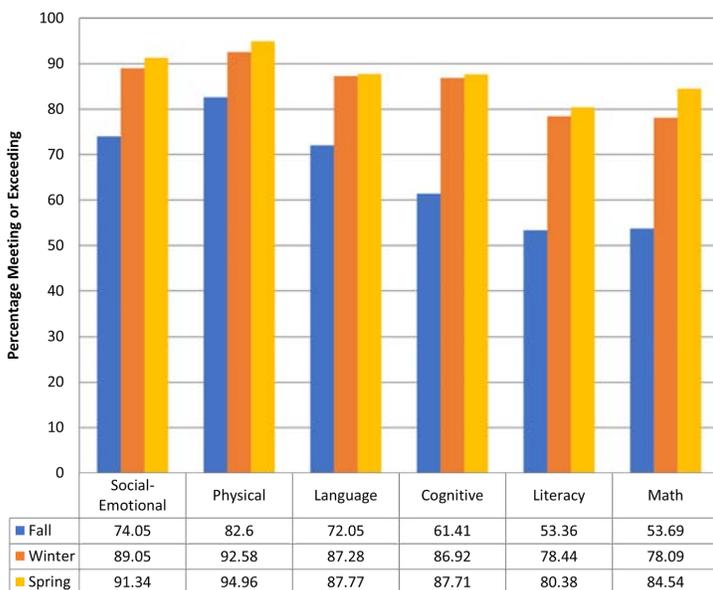


346 **122**

Head Start Children served

Early HS Children served

Child Outcomes 2021 - 2022



The data above reflects child outcomes for the final data collection of the school year which is based upon teacher observation and assessment. The numbers indicate the percentage of children enrolled in the program that are either meeting or exceeding widely held expectations for children of the same age. At the beginning of the year, it is appropriate for a student's skills and abilities to fall below widely held expectations for his/her age because he/she may not have received instructions for that level.

HEAD START / EHS

Head Start is a national commitment to give every child an opportunity to succeed in school and in life. SCCAA's Head Start and Early Head Start program has been providing quality early childhood education and services to the children and families of Stark County since 1991.

The SCCAA's Head Start and Early Head Start program continues to respond to the challenging effects of the COVID-19 pandemic while remaining focused on the mission of preparing Stark County children for kindergarten success.

SCCAA Head Start participates in the Stark County Transition Skills Summary (TSS) initiative. TSS is a collaborative project in Stark County that increases the connection between preschools and kindergarten programs. The TSS provides program and county-wide data to help with program planning and to guide teacher professional development in the program and in the community. The TSS also provides an individual parent report for each child on ways to help build skills for kindergarten.

All Head Start classrooms also participate in Artful Living and Learning. Artful Living and Learning is an arts integration program utilizing the arts to creatively teach Ohio Early Learning and Development Standards to preschoolers in and around Stark County. Teaching artists visit each classroom weekly to deliver the arts curriculum to the Head Start children.

SCCAA Head Start and Early Head benefits greatly from the community connections that enhance the goals and objectives of the program.

COMMUNITY ACTION PATHWAYS HUB

The Stark County Community Action Agency was funded by the Ohio Commission on Minority Health to start the Community Action Pathways HUB in December of 2017, the program has been implementing the nationally certified, evidence-based, peer-reviewed pay-for-performance, care coordination, Pathways Community HUB Model since 2018. Through the utilization of Care Coordination Agencies (CCA's), the CAPHUB connects pregnant women and new parenting families to needed services, resources, and allows the CAPHUB to address the social determinants of health and racial inequities that impact health outcomes.

In 2022, the CAPHUB served 235 families at the 2nd Annual Grab, Go, & Grow Baby Shower; 177 families in Financial Literacy and/or Self-Care Activities and 70 staff members, community members, and/or community-based organizations engaged in a Poverty Simulation to enhance Cultural Competency.

Care Coordination Agencies

- Akron Children's Hospital
- Stark Community Support Network
- Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority

Contracted Managed Care Organizations

- Buckeye
- Caresource
- Molina
- UnitedHealthcare



95

Pregnant Women Served

13

Babies Born

92.3%

Full Term Babies vs. Stark County Rate (90.7%)

MISSION STATEMENT

To empower at-risk individuals to overcome the social determinants of health and racial inequities in order to elevate the health of Stark County.

VISION STATEMENT

To challenge systematic barriers and ignite change that ensures that everyone has access to the services, tools, and resources necessary to promote good health and wellbeing.



HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) is a federally funded program that provides eligible Stark County households with assistance on their home energy bills.

In 2022, a total of \$7,417,115 in home energy assistance was distributed to 20,647 households at or below 175% of the federal poverty level through the Stark County Community Action Agency's Regular HEAP, American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funding, Summer and Winter Crisis programs.

In addition, 4,780 households were assisted through enrollment / reverification in our Percentage Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP+) program.

New in 2022, SCCAA HEAP administered a first of its kind assistance program to help with water bills. Eligible Stark County households who apply to the SCCAA Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) can receive payments to stop disconnection, restore or start new service on their water and waste-water bills (up to \$1,500 each). During the first year of the program, 420 households received a total of \$118,508 in assistance.

20,647

Households Assisted with HEAP/ WCP/SCP
& ARPA

4,780

Households Assisted with PIPP +

420

Households Assisted with LIHWAP



HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Home Weatherization Assistance Program commonly referred to as "HWAP" is a energy conservation program designed to increase the energy efficiency of homes and improve the participants' health and safety. Services are available to homeowners and renters who meet the established federal program guidelines (200% of poverty level). Participants in the program receive a home energy inspection to determine the most cost-effective energy efficiency improvements for the home. After the inspection is complete a plan for improving the home's energy efficiency is drafted.

73

**Housing Units
Weatherized**

60

**Furnace &/or Hot
Water Tank Replaced**

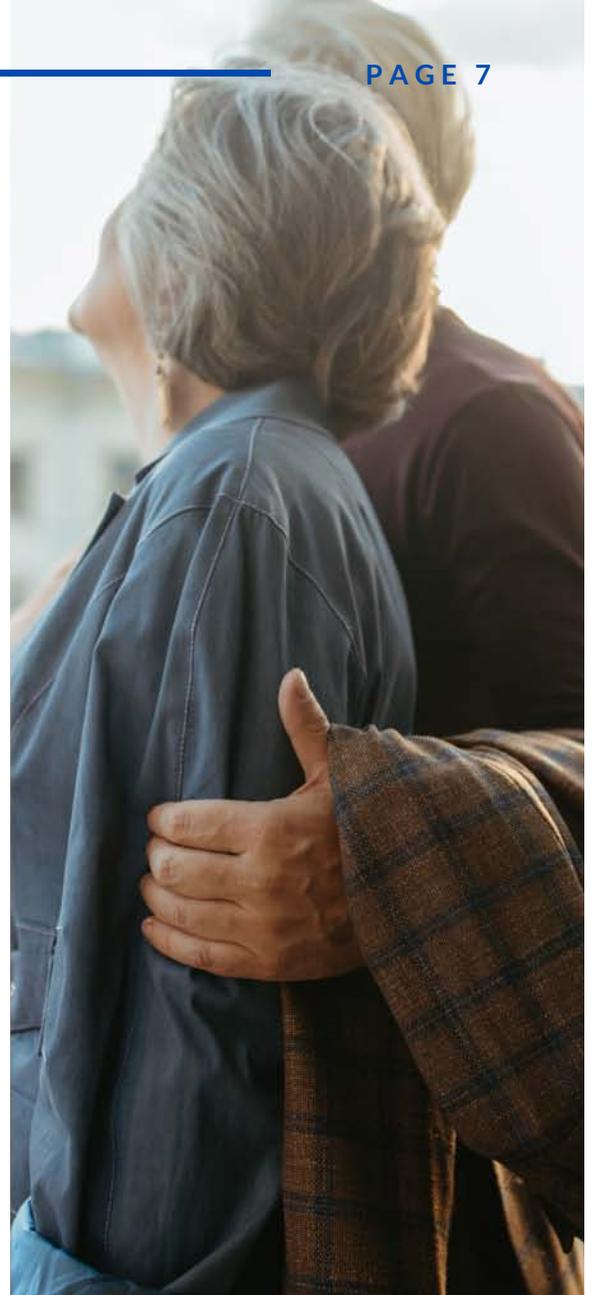
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Elderly Assisted

33

Special Needs Assisted

*Data reflects assistance from PY 2021 / 2022, based on grant year cycle.



YOUTH ENRICHMENT

The Stark County Community Action Agency, (SCCAA), was a recipient of American Rescue Plan Act funding, awarded by the City of Canton in support of the operation of the 2022 Summer Learning and Work Experience Program. The joint partnership with the Canton City School District (CCSD) supported the academic recovery of coursework credits of students who have been continually impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic. Thirty-eight (38) McKinley Senior High School students grade level 10-12th requiring academic recovery for realignment of their academic standing completed the program in support of on time graduation and participation in work experience program activities to support the development and/or enhancement of work readiness skills.

The SCCAA received additional APRA funding from the City of Canton to support the 2022 Youth Enrichment and Academics Program (YEAP), which provided Twenty (20) City of Canton students with experiences of social enrichment, academic retention & community services.

58

Youth Assisted

43

**Coursework Credits
Recovered**

Community Services & Outreach



\$5,932,015

Expended in Rent, Mortgage & Utility payments

During 2022, the SCCAA Community Service department provided housing / utility assistance to families in need during the COVID-19 Pandemic. This assistance prevented homelessness or provided relief to those rebounding from homelessness. Additionally, the Community Service department provided various outreach activities throughout the community to provide needed relief in areas such as food vouchers, coats, shoes and educational / financial resources to families, youth and seniors of Stark County.

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

1,854

Families Assisted with Rent and Mortgage

FOOD INSECURITY PROGRAM

300

Seniors / Families Assisted

UTILITY ASSISTANCE

102

Families Assisted with Utilities

COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID BOOTCAMP

16

Graduating Students Assisted

OPERATION WARM

109

Children provided with coats
& shoes

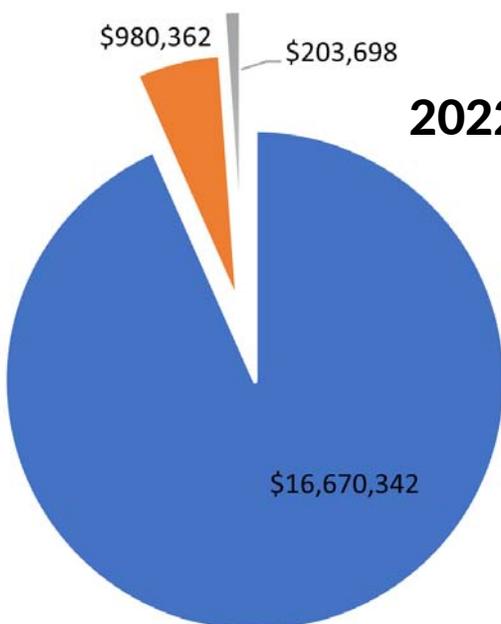
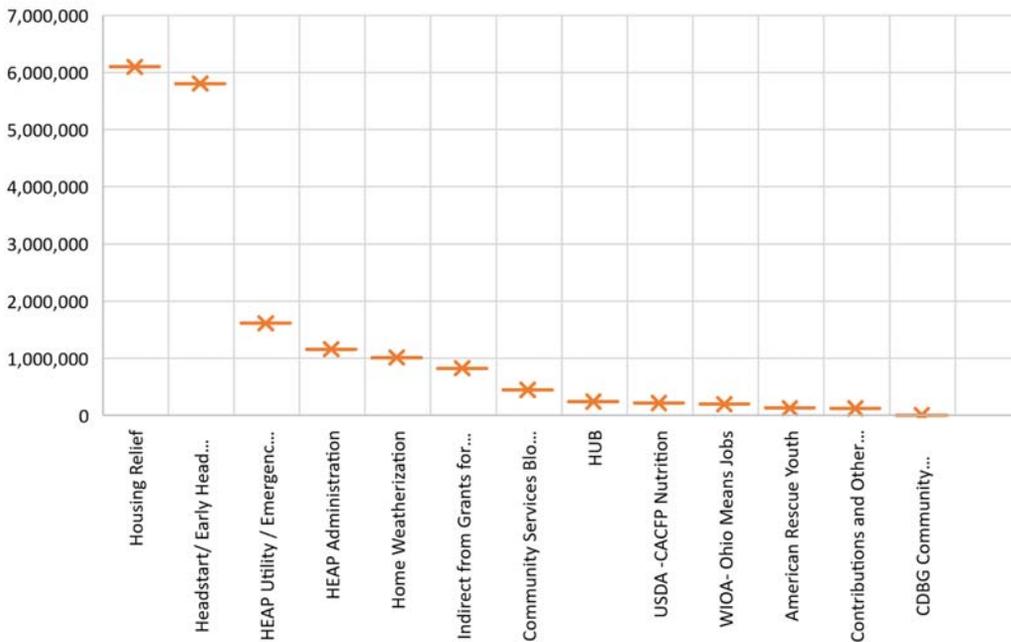
Total Revenue

\$17,854,401

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

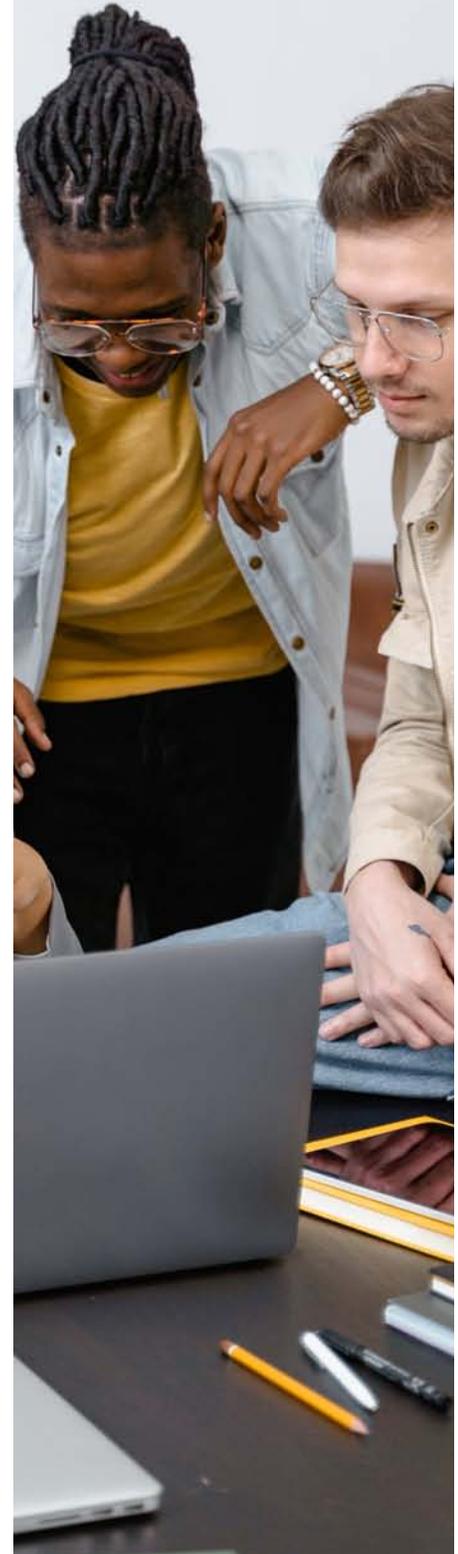
2022 AT A GLANCE

2022 Revenue by Program



2022 Sources of Revenue

- Federal
- Various Funders
- State



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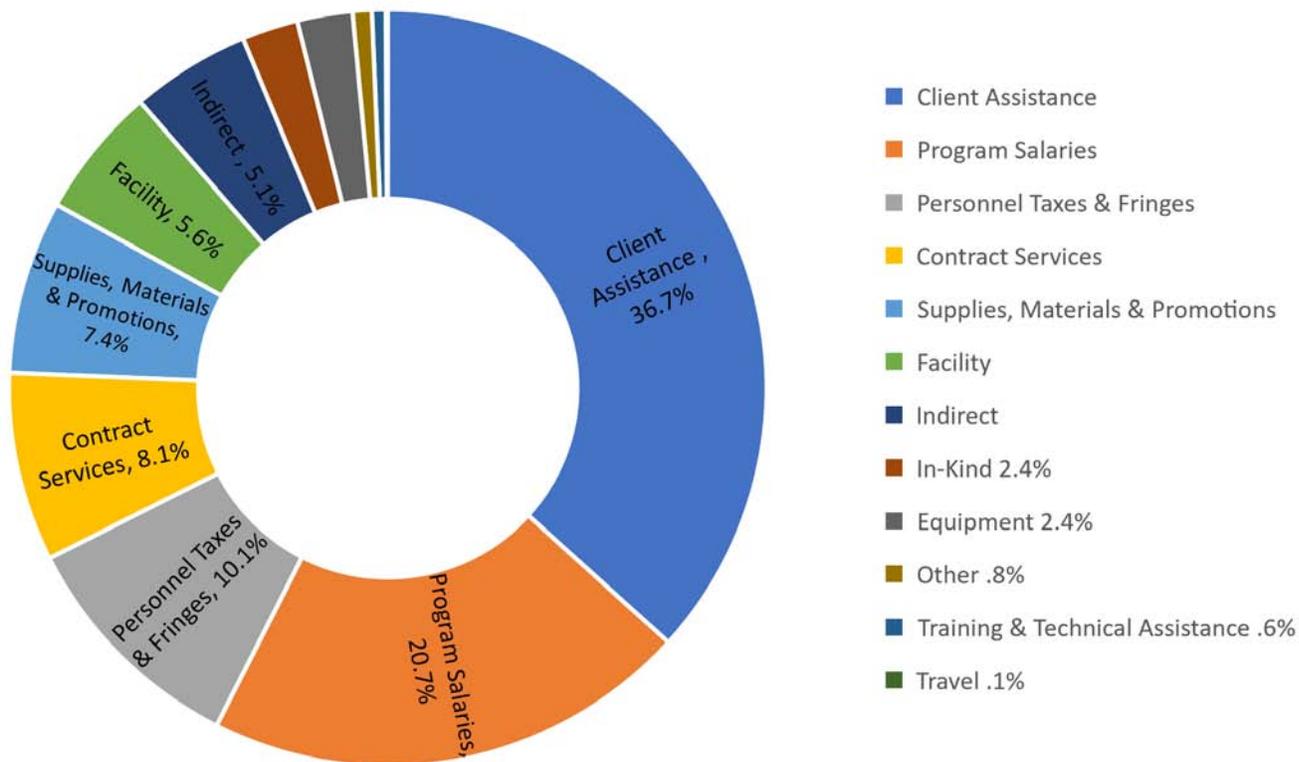
Total Expenses

\$17,257,121

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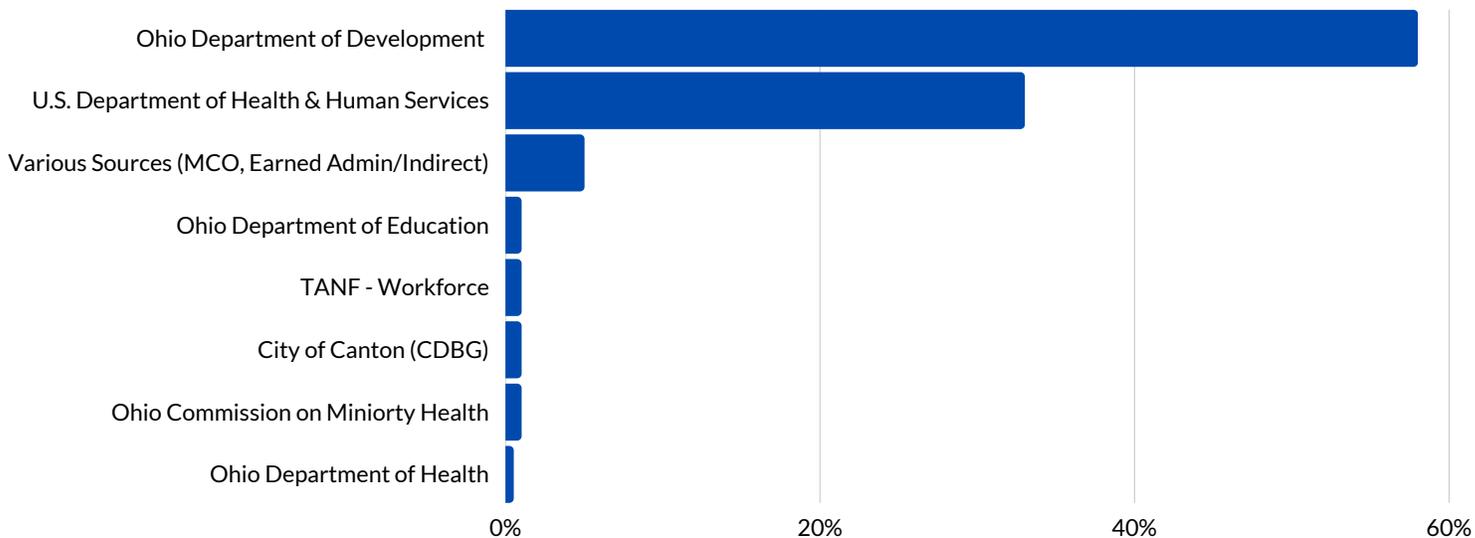
2022 AT A GLANCE

2022 Expenses



2022 Grant Funders

The SCCAA is awarded funding from a variety of sources.



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LOCATIONS