

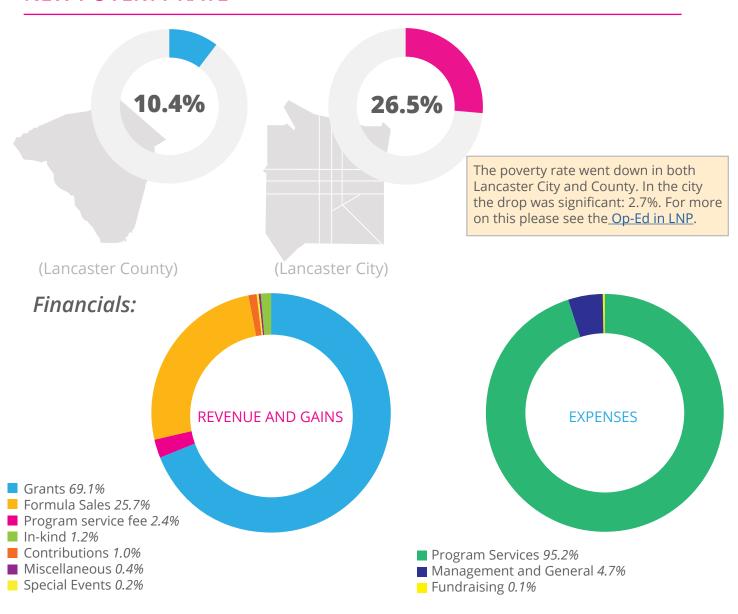
Annual Report

Overview

NEW MISSION:

Empowering Community, Driving Action and Building Partnership to Eliminate Poverty.

NEW POVERTY RATE



Empowering Community

Driving Action





Early learners from low-income families receiving highquality Pre-K



DVS survivors and their children who received support services



Pounds of food distributed or purchased by CAP

The Rivera Family's journey...

with CAP started in 2012/2013 when their middle daughter Selene was enrolled in Head Start. A Family Advocate referred the Rivera family to what was then called Circles (now Navigation) in May 2013. At that time the head of household, Efrain, was working a low-paying job that he disliked, and they were living in an area where they did not feel safe. The family was struggling. When they began, their main goals were to find a better paying job for Efrain and to move into safer, more stable housing. Circles' core function was to help families in poverty create a circle of support to help them achieve their goals.

The family secured securing safer housing in December 2013, and Efrain was able to move forward in his position and continually achieve higher pay. Then Navigation assisted Catherine in starting up her doula business in 2015 and securing more reliable transportation in 2017.

During their journey through the program, the Riveras continually hit roadblocks but were able to overcome the roadblocks included inadequate housing, loss of family members and friends, personal health issues, financial struggles and ongoing transportation issues. Through it all they epitomized resilience, perseverance, drive, and the ability to problem-solve.

Their hard work was recognized by our state association, The Community Action Association of Pennsylvania (CAAP), in the fall of 2018.



The Rivera Family with CAP staff.

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Catherine states that:

"CAP has been amazing for our family. Circles/Atlas has helped us tremendously as a family, and Head Start has educated two of my children to be Kindergarten-ready. them successfully due to unwavering support. Some of [HeadStart also] gave me the opportunity to serve on their Policy Council."

> The Rivera family is one of many examples of Navigation's impact, and we can't wait to see what they achieve next.

In 2017 CAP launched the Block CAPtains program to target some of the most neglected areas in the city in order to create grassroots change. Having chosen to focus her efforts on the 300 Block of Beaver Street, our inaugural block CAPtain, Vasthi, began building rapport with neighbors. She quickly learned that the neighbors biggest concern was an abandoned lot that was being used as a dumping ground. During a community meeting, neighbors agreed that a park would be the best use of the space. A plan was set in motion to purchase the lot from the Redevelopment Authority of Lancaster City for \$1. Despite a competing offer of \$13,000 from a for profit developer to turn the lot into a parking lot, the city was impressed by the residents' passion as they spoke about their neighborhood's desire for a park and awarded them the property.

We look forward to seeing the neglected space change into a beautiful community asset.

about this project --- The abandoned lot after a community-led clean up





CEO Dan Jurman and Congressman Lloyd Smucker

In 2018 CAP CEO Dan Jurman had the honor of testifying in front of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce. Congressman Lloyd Smucker extended the invitation as part of the Committee's Innovation Forum and Showcase.

Dan's testimony focused on innovative approaches to eliminating poverty in Lancaster, including: the Empower Lancaster shared social services database; 'life stipends' to assist single mothers looking to better their employment prospects; plans for a STEM Pre-K classroom; and CAP's CAPital Construction program. These initiatives speak to the goals in the One Good Job report published by the former Mayor's Commission to Combat Poverty, now the Coalition to Combat Poverty.

> Click to watch Dan testify in front of the House Committee on Education & Labor

Our programs at a glance:





Number of home visits

463

Unemployed adults who obtained employment because of CAP's services



Prevention Education

Percentage of high school students that reported an increased understanding of what dating abuse is



HeadStart Parents as Teachers Childcare WIC Nutrition Education Program CAPital Workforce Utility Assistance Early Learning Resource Center Navigation Senior Centers Domestic Violence Services

Building Partnership

397

The number of unduplicated partner organizations. See these partnerships broken down by category:

For-profit business or corporation 109, Non-profits 92, Faith-based 66, Health Service organizations 40, Local Government 21, School Districts 17, Consortiums/Collaborations 13, Institutions of Post-Secondary Education/Training 11, State Government 10, Financial/Banking Institutions 8, Federal Government 5, and Statewide Associations or Collaborations 5.

974

The number of duplicated partnerships among our 397 partners and our programs.

See the illustration below for the organizations that are most interconnected to our programs. Each line represents a connection between one of our programs and the stated organization. The colors correspond to our impact teams: Household Stability, Safety and Empowerment, Education & Child Development, and Health & Nutrition.

