

MISSION STATEMENT

Tri-County Opportunities Council will investigate the impact of poverty throughout our nine county service area and will work, in partnership with individuals, families and communities to provide opportunities that supports movement towards stability and self-sufficiency.

Agency Purpose:

1. To strengthen and enable low-income people to become self-sufficient through the attaining of necessary skills, knowledge, motivations and opportunities.
2. To better organize a wide range of services related to the needs of low-income people in Bureau, Carroll, LaSalle, Lee Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark and Whiteside counties by utilization of innovative approaches and new types of services in attacking the causes of poverty including the support of self-help groups and cooperative efforts of low-income people.
3. To encourage participation of low-income people in the planning, development and implementation of programs and projects and in the decision making processes of governmental entities affecting their lives.
4. To strengthen the capabilities of the Community Action Agency's community for planning and coordinating federal, state, local and private assistance related to the elimination of poverty by broadening the resources base of programs to include public officials, private organizations, individuals, business and industry.

OFFICE INFORMATION

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Tri-County Opportunities Council
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Office Hours:
8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



In employment and services, this agency does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, handicap, age, political affiliation or beliefs.

Tri-County Opportunities Council Community Services Block Grant **FAMILY REWARDS PROGRAM**



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FAMILY REWARDS ACTIVITIES

- Counseling
- Budgeting
- Parenting Classes
- Volunteering in the Community
- GED Classes
- ESL Classes
- Secondary Education
- Job Training
- Obtaining Employment
- Maintaining Employment
- Other Activities as Approved

REWARDS SPENDING OPTIONS

- Repair Vehicle
- Title Transfer/Tax/Vehicle Plates or Sticker
- Pay-off Outstanding Debts/Medical Bills
- Purchase School Supplies
- Program Registration Fees
- Purchase Major Appliances
- Purchase Clothing
- Pay on Utility Bills
- Rent
- Gas for Vehicle
- Toiletries/Diapers
- Car Insurance
- Renter's Insurance
- Other Items as Approved

FAMILY REWARDS PROGRAM

The Family Rewards Program provides the opportunity for families to promote self-improvement, family stability, employment, and savings.

While participating in this program, an Outreach Worker will assist each family in developing a written and detailed goal plan which includes specific steps for the family to complete in order to achieve a higher level of self-sufficiency.

Outreach Workers will help promote self-sufficiency by addressing topics of education, life skills, parenting, employment, budgeting, and other topics as needed or requested by the family.

During the program, families will begin to earn rewards based on the activities they participate in while working towards their goals. These rewards are kept in a personal savings account, and can be spent on specific items when needed.



OUTREACH OFFICES

Bureau County
815-875-6064

Carroll County
815-273-2240

LaSalle County
LaSalle – 815-224-0028
815-224-3939

Ottawa/Streator – 815-590-7224

Lee County
815-625-9323
815-625-9424

Marshall County
309-525-0160

Ogle County
815-562-5838

Putnam County
309-525-0160

Stark County
309-525-0160

Whiteside County
815-625-9323
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