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## BGCAP Annual Report



Proudly Serving Anderson, Boyle,  
Franklin, Garrard, Jessamine,  
Lincoln, Mercer, Scott and  
Woodford Counties!

### **Mission Statement:**

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# Message from Our Executive Director



Dear Friends of Community Action,

We are pleased to present Blue Grass Community Action Partnership's Annual Report for 2020. Since 1964, we have consistently and directly responded to needs that exist in our communities by providing programs and opportunities to empower and support our friends, families, and neighbors. This report provides a snapshot of these services and the impact of Community Action in Anderson, Boyle, Franklin, Garrard, Jessamine, Lincoln, Mercer, Scott and Woodford Counties. While the numbers are important, the people are what matters most at BGCAP! It takes all of us working together to make a difference in the lives of the clients we serve.

BGCAP's mission is to provide dedicated resources to enable low income, disadvantaged and disabled families and individuals of all ages and ethnic backgrounds to attain skills, knowledge and motivation to become fully self-sufficient.

With all that we have been able to accomplish, there is still more to be done. We are in the third year of our five-year Strategic Plan and are seeing some amazing results and progress. We have a new and vibrant vision under new leadership and have outlined the opportunities our agency has to increase organizational capacity by investing in the community with programs that will help fight the war on poverty. Our programs will include affordable housing, community gardens, financial literacy classes, workforce education and training, financial empowerment for families, expanding our core programs, and many, many more. We endeavor to eliminate poverty in the next generation one family at a time.

Everyone connected to BGCAP works alongside each other to realize this mission and make it into a reality every day. We are a team of dedicated employees, volunteers, donors, Board Members, and program participants who work together to empower people to create stronger communities. I want to thank everyone involved for giving back by supporting our mission with your talent, time, resources, and concern for the well-being of others.

Thank you for another great year!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Troy Roberts'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Troy Roberts  
Executive Director

# BGCAP History

In March of 1964, President Johnson declared a War on Poverty and presented to Congress his direction to Sargent Shriver to assist in drafting legislation for the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964. Congress passed this act and on August 20, 1964, President Johnson signed the Act into law.

In the fall of 1964, Ms. Ruth Slack Roach, social activist and racehorse farm owner, of Midway, Kentucky, heard about this new federal program for



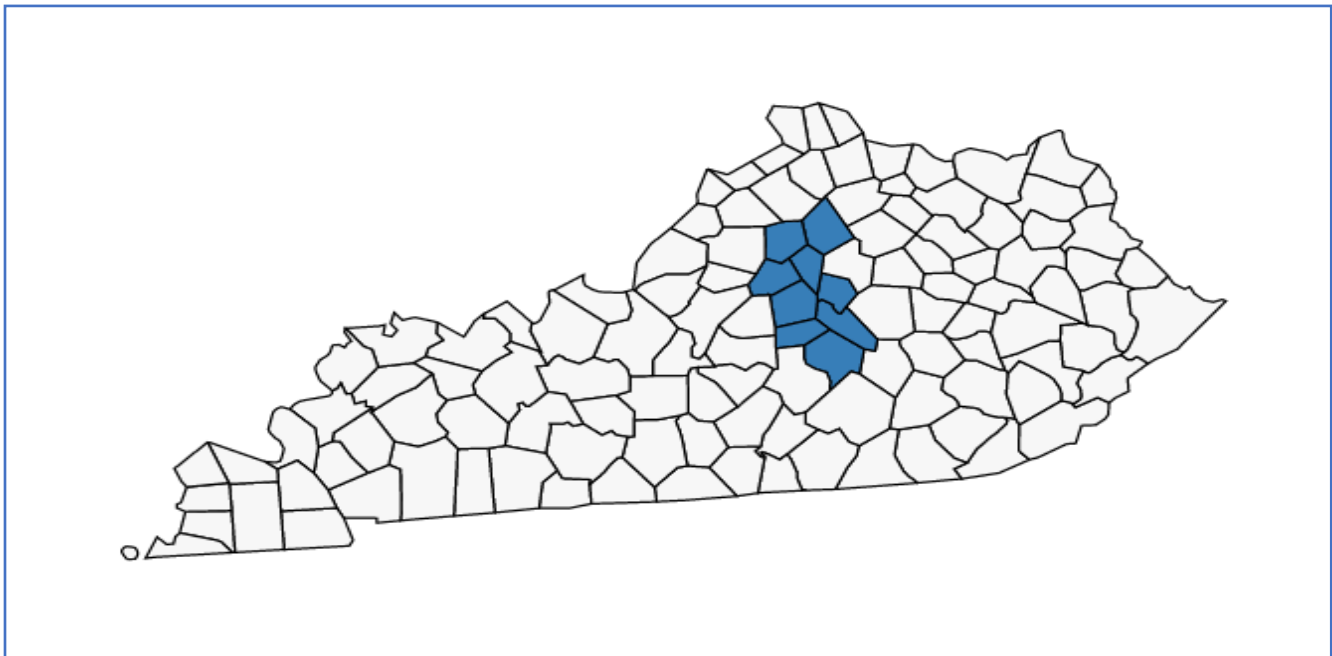
economically disadvantaged children called Project Head Start. Mrs. Roach was actively involved in her community of Midway, working with low-income families and their children and was deeply concerned about the needs of these children. With a degree in social work, Mrs. Roach knew that almost one million children from low-income families enter school for the first time each year. She also was aware that while

their classmates from higher-income families may face the new challenge with assurance, many children from low-income homes begin school with health problems and a lack of self-confidence and cognitive skills.

She was interested in starting an agency to sponsor the administration of Project Head Start so she contacted the county judges in Woodford, Jessamine, Anderson Franklin, and Mercer counties. She then contacted the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington DC and was given information that she needed to begin the process of organizing interested community leaders in starting an agency to sponsor the administration of Head Start. She met with school superintendents, judges and other leaders in the communities of these five counties. These individuals represented the private, public and target sectors of the communities. Starting in the fall of 1965 and for the ten years following, classes of Head Start were held in the remodeled basement of her home on Parrish Hill Farm in Midway. When interviewed in 1993, Ms. Roach stated that she had fond memories of the children playing in the apple orchard on the farm and swinging from the tree branches. For years to come these children who became adults

would share with her the joy they had in being a part of the big house and farm in their childhood.

In September of 1965, Articles of Incorporation were filed, and the Blue Grass Community Action Agency was founded. A one room office opened in Lawrenceburg in the Elementary School. This office was to oversee the Head Start program in four counties. In August 1966, the Agency became a 501(c)3 private non-profit corporation. During the ensuing years, the Blue Grass Community Action Agency enlarged its service area to include nine counties (Anderson, Boyle, Franklin, Garrard, Jessamine, Lincoln, Mercer, Scott and Woodford). For the many years that followed Blue Grass Community Action Agency continued its growth. The Agency added various programs that served the needs of the low income and motivated them to become self-sufficient. With this growth, the Agency's central office was moved to Paul Sawyer Park in Woodford County. In 1987, the Agency had an annual budget of \$3,350,000 with a staff of 180 and 450 volunteers. In 2004, the board approved building and purchasing our current central office at 111 Professional Court. Also that same year, with a recommendation from the National Community Action offices, the board voted to change our name to Blue Grass Community Action Partnership.



**Serving Anderson, Boyle, Franklin, Garrard, Jessamine, Lincoln, Mercer, Scott and Woodford Counties**

# BGCAP Board & Senior Staff



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## BGCAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### **Anderson County:**

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# Our Impact:

**Adult Day Centers:** Adult Day Health is a program designed to meet the social and medical needs in our community. These services are provided under health leadership in an ambulatory care setting for adults who do not require 24-hour care and yet, due to physical, mental or social impairments, are not capable of full-time independent living. All staff members are certified in CPR and First Aid and a nurse is always on staff.



**BGCAP has a total of 52 Adult Day Participants in our Service Area!**

**Blue Grass Transit:** Bluegrass Transit provides clean, safe, and reliable public transportation at little or no cost. Medicaid eligible clients without vehicles are provided transportation to approved Medicaid appointments without cost. Para-transit services are provided, and a fee-per-mile service is available to the general public.



**Blue Grass Transit has serviced 2,287 clients and provided 172,231 trips in our Service Area!**

**Community Services:** The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) is a federal, anti-poverty block grant which funds the operations of 23 Community Action Agencies across the state. This CSBG network coordinates and delivers programs and services to low-income Kentuckians in all 120 counties.



**BGCAP LIHEAP Applications**

**Fall Subsidy 2,704**

**Spring Subsidy 3,191**

**Crisis 4,790**

**Senior Citizens Centers:** Senior Citizens Centers are designed to help the community meet the needs of the aging population by providing congregate and home delivered meals, transportation services, health promotion, nutrition education, exercise, trips, scheduled activities, and mental stimulation to name a few. The program is designed for those 60 years of age or older but are prepared and actively providing exciting activities for our Baby Boomer Generation. A special emphasis is placed on identifying rural, disabled, Alzheimer's, dementia clients, minorities and those with the greatest social and nutritional needs.



**BGCAP has serviced 2,299 Seniors and provided 26,621 one-way trips in our Service Area!**

**Elder Nutrition:** The Elder Nutrition Program provides management for congregate and home delivered meals for twenty nutrition sites in the following seventeen counties: Anderson, Bourbon, Boyle, Clark, Estill, Fayette (3 centers), Franklin, Garrard, Harrison, Jessamine, Lincoln, Madison (Berea center and Richmond center), Mercer, Nicholas, Powell, Scott and Woodford. The program's goal is to deliver quality meals to the nutrition sites and homebound clients (age 60 years of age and older) so that senior citizens who receive the meals have nutritionally sound meals that meet at least one-third of the current daily recommended dietary allowance. Although prepared with minimal salt, sugar and fat, all meals are regular diet, except that diabetic desserts are available on request.



**BGCAP has provided 1,529 Clients with 148,689 Congregate and Home Delivered Meals in our Service Area!**

**Head Start:** Head Start is a child development program serving three and four-year-old children from low-income households in our 6-county area. All the centers are licensed through the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of the Inspector General, Division of Regulated Child Care and nationally accredited. The centers also participate in the Kentucky STARS for KIDS NOW Childcare Quality Rating System.





**Our Head Start Centers have **303 Children** enrolled in our Service Area!**

**Health Benefit Assister Program:** Health Benefit Assisters are trained and certified to help you enroll in health insurance plans on [healthcare.gov](https://healthcare.gov) and Medicaid through [benefind.ky.gov](https://benefind.ky.gov). They help you find out which health insurance program you qualify for, and help you complete an eligibility application to enroll in coverage. Health Benefit Assisters maintain expertise in eligibility, enrollment and program specifications and conduct public education and outreach activities to raise awareness about the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange, including [benefind.ky.gov](https://benefind.ky.gov) and [healthcare.gov](https://healthcare.gov).



**BGCAP Assisters performed **5,905 Applications and PEs!****

**Homecare Case Management:** The Homecare Case Management Program provides elderly Kentucky residents, who are at risk of being placed in a nursing home, with necessary in-home services. This allows the individual to continue to live at home, while continuing to get the assistance he or she needs in order to do so.



**BGCAP has **4 Case Managers** that provide Homecare Case Management Services to **379 Clients** in our Service Area!**

**Senior Companion Program (SCP):** The Senior Companion Program provides volunteer service opportunities for active low-income seniors that builds self-esteem and contributes to their mental and physical well-being. This program helps the senior volunteer remain a viable, contributing member of the community by aiding "at-risk" elderly who need extra support in order to maintain their independent status and to remain in their homes.



**There are **51 Volunteers** in the Senior Companion Program that provide services to **116 Clients** in our Service Area!**

**Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP):** The Title V - Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) was established to foster and promote useful part-time employment opportunities in community service activities for low-income persons who have poor employment prospects. This program provides training to persons age 55 and older at a host agency to help them become more employable.

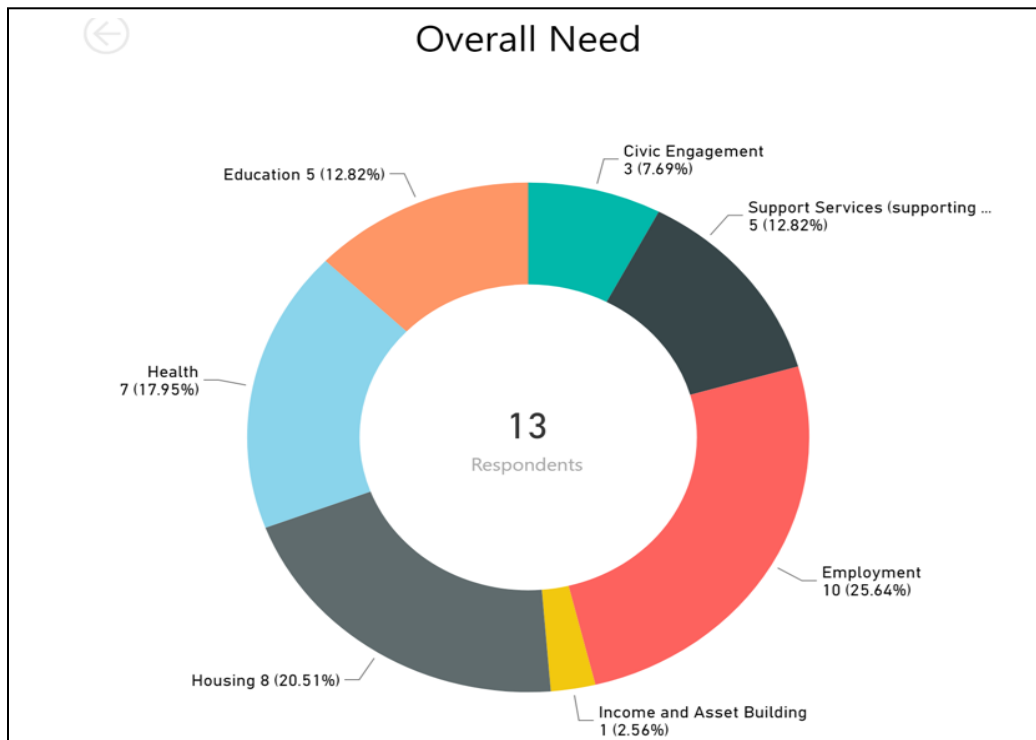


**There are 29 Participants in our SCSEP Program!**

**Weatherization Services:** With funding provided from the Department of Energy and the Department of Housing, the Weatherization Program provides necessary home repairs to prevent heat loss and repair or replace heating systems when necessary. The goal of the program is to assist clients in securing a safe, healthy home environment and reduce heating and cooling bills by providing necessary home repairs. This may include repair or replacement of heating systems when necessary.

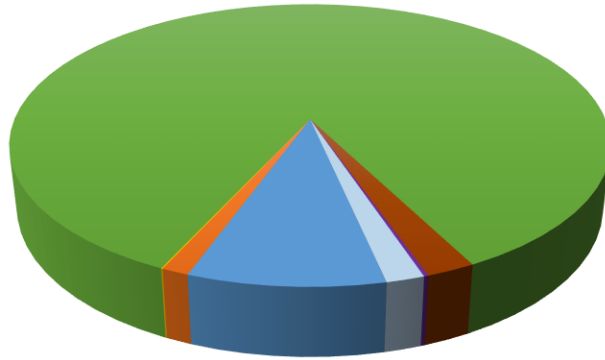


**BGCAP's Weatherization Department weatherized 21 Homes in our Service Area!**



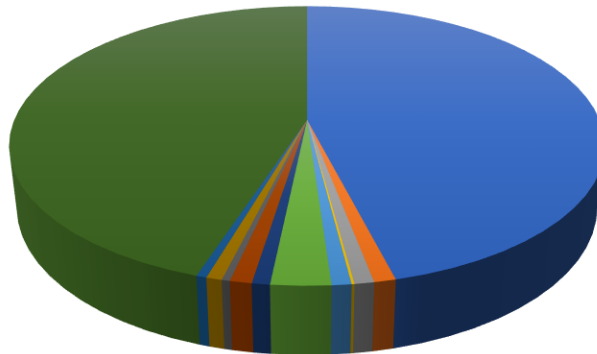
# BGCAP Finances

## Income



- Contributions
- Fundraising
- Grants Government Agencies
- Grants Non-Government Sources
- HKUW
- Program Service Fees
- Investment
- In Kind/Other

## Expenses



- Salaries, Benefits and Payroll Taxes
- IT, Accounting, bookkeeping, auditing, etc
- Telephone
- Postage/Shipping
- Office Supplies
- Occupancy/Utilities
- Insurance
- Rental & Maint Equipment
- Printing & Publications
- Travel & Meals
- Membership Dues/Expenses
- Other:

# BGCAP Locations by County:

## **Anderson County:**

### **Anderson County Senior Center:**

160 Township Square, Lawrenceburg, Ky. 40342

### **Anderson County Head Start:**

1593 Harrodsburg Rd. Lawrenceburg, Ky. 40342

### **Anderson County CD Office:**

160 Township Square, Lawrenceburg, KY. 40342

## **Boyle County:**

### **Boyle County CD Office:**

225 W Walnut Street, Danville, Ky. 40422

## **Franklin County:**

### **Franklin County Blue Grass Head Start:**

955 Leestown Ln. Frankfort, KY. 40601

### **Central Office:**

111 Professional Court, Frankfort, KY. 40601

## **Garrard County**

### **Garrard County Adult Day:**

153 Farra Drive, Lancaster, Ky. 40444

### **Garrard County Senior Center:**

153 Farra Drive, Lancaster, KY. 40444

### **Garrard County Community Developer:**

107 S. Campbell Street, Lancaster, KY. 40444

## **Jessamine County**

### **Jessamine County Adult Day:**

111 Hoover Drive, Nicholasville, KY. 40356

### **Jessamine County Senior Center:**

111 Hoover Drive, Nicholasville, KY. 40356

### **Jessamine County Head Start:**

1330 Drake Ln, Wilmore, KY. 40390

## **Jessamine County Community Developer:**

213 S. Main Street, Suite #103, Nicholasville, KY. 40356

## **Lincoln County:**

### **Lincoln County Community Developer:**

201 E. Main Street, Stanford, KY. 40484

## **Mercer County:**

### **Mercer County Adult Day:**

1475 Louisville Rd. Harrodsburg, KY. 40330

### **Mercer County Senior Citizens Center:**

1475 Louisville Rd. Harrodsburg, Ky. 40330

### **Mercer/Boyle Head Start:**

580 Perryville Street, Harrodsburg, KY. 40330

### **Mercer County Community Developer:**

1475 Louisville Rd. Harrodsburg, KY. 40330

## **Scott County**

### **Scott County Senior Citizens Center:**

800 Cincinnati Road, Suite #10, Georgetown, KY. 40324

### **Scott County Community Developer:**

340 E. Washington Street, Georgetown, KY. 40342

## **Woodford County**

### **Woodford County Adult Day:**

285 Beasley Drive, Versailles, KY. 40384

### **Woodford County Senior Center:**

285 Beasley Drive, Versailles, KY. 40384

### **Woodford County Head Start:**

200 Park Street, Versailles, KY. 40384

### **Woodford County Community Developer:**

285 Beasley Drive, Versailles, Ky. 40384