

Literacy: Miss New Jersey Visits Gateway

Miss New Jersey Ashleigh Udalovas visited Gateway Community Action Partnership in late September 2010 specifically to thank literacy tutor trainees in the agency's Literacy Volunteers of Cumberland and Salem program for their service and stress the importance of literacy. Photo at right: Gateway VP/Planning, Mike Gudemo; Literacy Coordinator, Laura Weber; Miss New Jersey, and Gateway Senior VP/COO, Ed Bethea.



"I want to thank you personally for being here and taking part in this because I have been able to witness the differences that Literacy Volunteers are making throughout the state," said Udalovas, from Millville "To come back to my home county, Cumberland County, and see that people are doing it here as well gives me a lot of confidence in knowing that the work I am doing everywhere else is also pouring back into my community."

Family Success Center Highlights

Millville:

- Weekly Parents Anonymous parent support group meetings held in two locations.
- Backpack Feeding Program in two local schools

Bridgeton:

- Father Time Support groups that focus on "Just Dads." These groups follow the model of Parents Anonymous and get fathers involved in the family and community.
- Annual Gateway Family Success Center BBQ on the Beach in Wildwood, NJ. This third annual event was a wonderful means of rewarding active families who realize that the family that "plays together, stays together."

Salem:

- Partnered with the Salem City Police Department to host the city's first National Night Out
- Through a partnership with the Growing Up Program, the Salem FSC expanded its After School Program to include 20 youth receiving tutoring, character education and recreational activities.
- For the third consecutive year, co-sponsored and participated in the countywide Community BBQ held in Salem City. Families were able to eat, play games and enjoy a concert free of charge.

Udalovas's platform was "How to Succeed: Improving America's Future Through Literacy." She is the founder of the Cumberland County chapter of "First Book," a nationwide organization that provides books for underprivileged children. She is also a spokesperson for Literacy Volunteers of New Jersey, of which Tri-County is an affiliate.

Family Success Centers

In 2010, Gateway Community Action Agency, Inc. operated three Family Success Centers funded through the New Jersey Department of Children and Families. The centers - which include the Gateway Family Success Center in Bridgeton, The Salem Family Success Center and the Holly City Family Success Center in Millville - are neighborhood-based gathering places where any community resident can access family support, information and services.

These centers provided services to more than 4,000 men, women and children in 2010 and have been an integral force in engaging and supporting families by serving as "one stop" shops with wraparound resources and supports for families before they find themselves in crisis. Some of the services available through the agency's Family Success Centers include: employment, information and referral, parent education, health care, parent-child activities, home visiting, life skills training, advocacy and housing.

New Members Join GCAP Wall of Fame

Gateway Community Action Partnership inducted two members into its Wall of Fame. Carol Musso and Curtis Edwards joined Joe L. Kidd and Dr. Frank Briglio in a ceremony at Gateway.

Members are inducted based on their service to Gateway Community Action Partnership and the community at large. Musso, Gateway's Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, and Edwards, Gateway's Board Secretary, have provided years of service to Gateway and the community in many ways.



"We reserve inclusion into our Wall of Fame for individuals who have gone above and beyond the call of duty for Gateway Community Action Partnership and the community," said Albert B. Kelly, Gateway's President and CEO, in introducing Musso and Edwards to a large gathering at the ceremony.

Musso, an assistant vice president and branch manager at Century Savings Bank, is currently a committeewoman in Deerfield Township and has served the township as mayor and deputy mayor. Edwards, the Director of Community Services at CompleteCare Health Network. Both Musso and Edwards have a lengthy list of service to organizations that benefit the community and participate regularly in local events that build and strengthen the community.

Statement of Financial Position

ASSETS	TRI-COUNTY -- 6/30/10	SPRING GARDENS -- 6/30/10
Cash	\$ 1,008,606	\$ 27,925
Grants Receivable	\$ 3,015,746	\$ 43,307
Due from Related Parties	\$ 750,004	\$ -
Land, Building, and Equipment	\$ 7,360,831	\$ 6,311,887
Prepaid Expenses (Net)	\$ -	\$ 22,742
Tenant Security Deposits	\$ -	\$ 33,649
Restricted Deposits & Funded Reserves	\$ -	\$ 349,361
Other Assets	\$ -	\$ 1,671
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 12,135,187	\$ 6,790,542
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,795,910	\$ 297,800
Due To/From	\$ 123,780	\$ 27,065
Deferred Revenue	\$ 2,249,953	\$ 33,649
Notes Payable	\$ 4,707,362	\$ -
Mortgage Payable	\$ -	\$ 8,775,400
Retained Surplus (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ (2,343,372)
Total Liabilities	\$ 8,877,005	\$ -
Net Assets	\$ 3,258,182	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 12,135,187	\$ 6,790,542

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

SUPPORT & REVENUE	TRI-COUNTY -- 6/30/10	SPRING GARDENS -- 6/30/10
Grants and Contracts	\$ 35,977,038	\$ 574,765
Contributions	\$ 160,423	\$ -
Contributed Goods and Services	\$ 79,103	\$ -
Program Fees	\$ 329,199	\$ -
Rent/Income	\$ 1,260,717	\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 2,971	\$ 684
Match	\$ -	\$ -
Other Income	\$ 511,660	\$ 12,380
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$ 38,321,111	\$ 587,829
EXPENSES		
Program Services	\$ 35,160,120	\$ -
Management and General	\$ 2,750,473	\$ 146,947
Community Service	\$ -	\$ -
Property Operating Expenses	\$ -	\$ 492,957
Depreciation (Total)	\$ -	\$ 248,128
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 37,910,593	\$ 888,032
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 410,518	\$ (300,203)
NET ASSETS -- Beginning of Year	\$ 2,847,664	\$ 2,043,169
NET ASSETS -- End of Year	\$ 3,258,182	\$ 2,343,372

The statement of financial position of Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc. and Spring Garden Senior Housing, Inc. as of June 30, 2010, and the related statement of activities and changes in net assets and of cash flows for the years then ended, were audited by Frank Glen, LLC, Certified Public Accountant. The financial statements have been derived from the audited financial statements. Copies of audit reports and the complete financial statements are available upon written request to Edward Bethea, Senior Vice President/COO.

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Head Start

The Gateway CAP Head Start/Early Head Start Program is a comprehensive, developmental program for young children and their families. The learning process of young children is enhanced by first-hand experiences, enabling each child to explore his/her environment and be more self confident in his/her ability to learn.

The program provides a safe, healthy environment in which resources are utilized to ensure that each child has the opportunity to develop to his/her fullest potential. Gateway Early Head Start and Head Start has provided services and that have annually touched the lives of over 4,500 individuals, including children, family members, volunteers, and staff. It has made a commitment to provide a welcoming early childhood program that engages children, parents and the community. Gateway CAP Early Head Start and Head Start continues to be active in creating community relationships and accessing resources for Head Start families. For three years we have received funding through Delta Dental, ensuring dental services and dental education. We also continue to work closely with community health care programs, local dentists, senior citizen programs (volunteers), and colleges. Gateway Early Head Start and Head Start has improved its facilities, increased the quality of its teaching staff, and strengthened its management systems through focusing on the heart of the program, the children, families and employees.

Gateway has assisted teachers and teacher assistants with college classes to earn degrees and CDAs. Gateway has hired staff with credentials, degrees and experience that is strengthening the leadership at both center level and the administrative level. Gateway Early Head Start and Head Start is dedicated to following the path toward excellence in the community. For a comprehensive annual report on Head Start and Early Head Start, visit the Gateway Community Action Partnership website at <http://www.gatewaycap.org>

Housing Services/Foreclosure Mediation

Gateway CAP strives to provide low- to moderate-income families and individuals with safe, clean, and affordable housing. In the past decade, the department has constructed or rehabilitated hundreds of housing units in Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties. The department is active in the development of new single family homes and manages Parvin's Branch Townhomes and Spring Gardens Senior Housing, both in Vineland. The department also oversees transitional housing units in Paulsboro, Salem and Vineland, and the agency's Individual Development Account program.

One of the fastest growing needs has been for the agency's home foreclosure prevention and mediation services, as well as Homebuyer Education. In 2010, the agency purchased aging homes in Bridgeton as part of its Hometown Pride program. The goals of this program were to move families who rent into homeownership by renovating or replacing these rental housing units, and to provide construction-related job skills to qualified trainees.

Weatherization Assistance Program

Gateway Community Action's Weatherization Assistance Program makes homes for low-income households in Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester and Atlantic counties more comfortable and energy efficient through a variety of no-cost services that include caulking, glazing, weather stripping, insulating and the replacement of energy-wasting appliances. It also does much more for the local community at large. Studies indicate the Program creates jobs, decreases reliance upon foreign oil and reduces the need for combustion of fossil fuels and the resulting emissions into the atmosphere.

"Members of weatherized households, representing a diverse group from single parents to senior citizens, reap the initial benefits of cost savings and comfort," said Albert B. Kelly, Gateway's President and CEO. "But non-energy-related benefits from job creation to reduced water consumption exponentially increase the value and impact of this program on the entire community."



Housing Department Highlights

In 2010, Gateway's Housing Department:

- Provided 276 clients with foreclosure-related services
- Provided 24 clients with transitional housing services
- Provided 161 clients with emergency rental assistance
- Enrolled 16 participants in the Individual Development Account Program
- Trained 31 individuals with construction-related job skills as part of the Hometown Pride program
- Provided Homebuyer Education services to 51 clients
- Purchased 10 rental home properties in Bridgeton to be renovated or replaced and resold as owner-occupied single family homes for qualified low-income clients



Dear Friends:

Through the years, we have learned that in life, the only constant is change. And through the years, we have also learned that change is a time for opportunity, growth and development.

And as we enter 2011, our agency is undergoing a change that reflects the opportunity, growth and development we have worked years to make a reality. To better reflect the agency's area of service coverage, as of (Date here), Tri-County Community Action Partnership will become Gateway Community Action Partnership.

Our agency name served us well for 24 years as we assisted individuals and families in Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties through more than 50 inter-connected programs that sought to carry out the mission of improving lives and promoting self-sufficiency.

In pursuit of improving and expanding programs to improve the lives of clients and the community in general, we have grown – and changed – so that we are now more than the three-county agency we were when we started in July 1987.

In addition to our service area, we also provide Weatherization services in Atlantic County and the Women, Infants & Children (WIC) program in Cape May County and are planning for additional opportunities to better serve our region in the future. Therefore, our change to Gateway better reflects our expanding region of services.

As founder and president & CEO of Gateway CAP, I am excited about our new name as it conveys the opportunity for us to be the "Gateway to Success" for so many more people.

When we started, it was with a dozen employees, a handful of programs and a dream to better our community. We now have more than 400 employees in 50 different programs serving 50,000 clients annually, but maintain that same dream of bettering our community. Now, that community will be larger.

Through the years, our agency has seen many changes. We have endured many of them and the result was opportunity, growth and development.

Through the years, one thing has not changed: Our commitment to improve the lives of the individuals and families we serve. Whether it is through Head Start, Housing, Neighborhood Services, Literacy, Alzheimer's, WIC, Consumer Counseling, Komen Reach Out For Life, or our Mill Creek Urban Farm, we are here to live our agency's mission.

Our agency's recent growth and expansion have created a fitting opportunity for us to become Gateway Community Action Partnership. This change is for all of us – board of directors, staff, clients and community alike – a rewarding time to be part of this agency milestone.

On behalf of all of us at the agency, welcome to Gateway CAP and a Gateway to Success for all of us!

Albert B. Kelly, President & CEO
Gateway Community Action Partnership



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Food Distribution Programs

One of the ways Gateway CAP fulfills its mission is by producing and distributing healthy, nutritious foods through four food programs. The Mill Creek Urban Farm, Gleaning Program, Emergency Assistance Food Pantry and Angel Food Ministries programs put food on the tables of clients at no or low cost.

The Mill Creek Urban Farm (right) in Bridgeton, generated a wide variety of fresh and nutritious vegetables for our families in its second full year of operation in 2010. Some of the food was sold at low cost at the Bridgeton Farmer's Market during the summer to help recover project costs, and much of it was distributed to families through congregate meal sites.

Gateway's Gleaning Program collected donated produce from area commercial farms and donated food from area businesses and distributed the food to our clients. Our Emergency Assistance Food Pantry purchased food from Community Food Bank of New Jersey and accepted donations from various sources and distributed approximately three days worth of food on an emergency basis to families. The Angel Food Ministries Program provides approximately \$65 worth of food for about \$30 and is available once a month.



Alzheimer's/Adult Day Care Services

Gateway CAP manages a social services day care center for Cumberland County residents, including those who have Alzheimer's disease. The program provides respite care for families of the participants and provides the participants with supervised activities and nutritious meals. Gateway is the only agency providing a social services day care in Cumberland County. The program provides families with relief from the constant care that Alzheimer's and patients with other disorders require.

Komen Reach Out for Life

The Reach Out for Life program, operating in Cumberland, Salem and Gloucester counties, promotes breast cancer awareness and facilitates referrals for free mammograms for medically underserved women aged 40-64. The program, funded by the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Central and South Jersey Affiliate, served more than 800 women this grant period.

WIC

The WIC program serves Cumberland, Salem and Cape May counties. This program provides for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk. The program served approximately 10,800 participants in 2010. As of April 2010, enrollment in the Gateway WIC program included 2,416 (21.6%) women, 2,592 (23.2%) infants, and 6,181 (55.2% children). Some 2010 WIC highlights include getting the program to go web-based with all WIC sites now having a kiosk for participants to use to complete their modules.

Last Chance Recidivism Reduction

The Last Chance Recidivism Reduction Program helps ex-offenders reenter society through case management, workshops and a variety of transitional services. Successful reentry of ex-offenders will reduce recidivism in our communities and increase public safety. Gateway works with the Cumberland County Department of Corrections and other community partners to deliver services to the target population. Case management, assessments, job placement, employment skills, workshops, health care, substance abuse counseling, family and parent engagement, personal development and GED testing are among the services provided by the Last Chance program either directly or through referrals.

Toothmobile

Gateway Community Action's Toothmobile is a 40-foot, fully-licensed, certified and equipped mobile dental unit that provides preventative and restorative dental services, along with oral health education to uninsured and underinsured children, serving children ages 3 to 1.

In 2010, the Toothmobile provided dental services to 560 children. This mobile unit helps reduce the negative physical and emotional toll on children who lack the proper dental care and also promotes oral health awareness.

Additionally, the Toothmobile delivers services to a target population that might otherwise not be served due to transportation issues.

