

Mission

Since 1966 Tempe Community Action Agency has remained true to a profoundly important mission; to foster dignity and self-reliance in the economically vulnerable within the communities we serve.

Programs



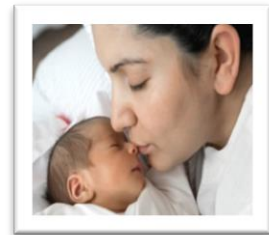
Housing Security and Emergency Shelter

The Community Action Program keeps Tempe residents safe in their homes and helps to prevent eviction and utility disconnects during a period of financial crisis. The Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program (I-HELP) provides emergency shelter for men and women experiencing homelessness in Tempe, and a pathway to improved financial security and permanent housing through employment and other income-generating strategies.



Food Systems and Hunger Relief

TCAA operates Tempe's largest Food Pantry which offers emergency food boxes for adults and children experiencing food insecurity during a time of crisis. TCAA also delivers food boxes to select Tempe school sites. The Escalante and Clark Park Community Gardens provide neighbors with a source for locally grown fresh produce. The Clark Park Garden Council operates the Clark Park Farmers Market each fall and spring.



Family Health and Well-Being

The Health Start program provides pre- and post-natal care to ensure that expectant mothers are meeting their healthcare needs, babies are born within healthy birth weights, and young children are raised in healthy environments. TCAA conducts home-based case management, educational activities, and family support during the first two years of the child's life.



Senior Independence

For seniors desiring to age in place, TCAA provides hot, catered lunches at the North Tempe, Escalante, and Granite Reef Seniors Centers. Educational, recreation, and socialization activities are also offered at the Tempe sites. TCAA also operates a Home-Delivered Meal program providing daily hot meals and wellness checks for homebound older adults and individuals with disabilities in Tempe and South Scottsdale.



Economic Advancement

The Family Economic Advancement Initiative prepares low-income households (primarily single parents with children in Tempe zip 85281) for improved financial security through employment readiness, job placement, money management skills, credit repair, microenterprise training, and a pathway to homeownership.

FY2018 Program Impact

At Tempe Community Action Agency, empowering means giving families and individuals access to the tools and support needed to be independent, stable, and successful. TCAA assists the equivalent of one in eight Tempe residents annually; this is made possible only due to the unrelenting work of our staff, the generous contributions of our volunteers, and the trust and financial support of a variety of funding sources.

22,516 PEOPLE SERVED THIS YEAR

1 out of **8** TEMPE RESIDENTS IMPACTED

\$200K

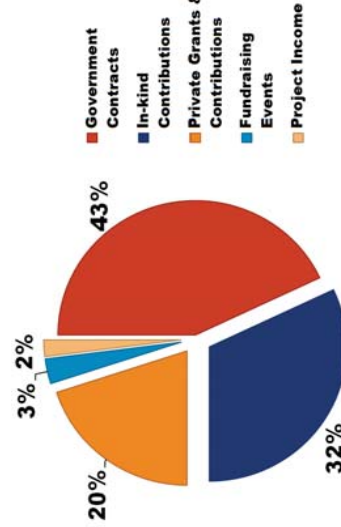
GENEREROUS DONATIONS

DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS

1,110 VOLUNTEERS **27,753** HOURS

Sources of Funds

FY2018 Budget: \$5,033,720
TCAA serves as a steward of federal, state, local and private funds and in-kind donations intended to increase self-reliance and make a positive impact across the service area.



HOUSING SECURITY

- 3,073 Adults and Children Remained Safely Housed
- 2,846 Months of Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Bills Paid
- 376 Homeless Men and Women Sheltered



HUNGER RELIEF

- 16,726 Seniors, Adults and Children Fed
- 4,833 Tempe School Students and Families Received Food Boxes
- 22,881 Food Boxes Distributed
- 707,765 Meals Provided



SELF - RELIANCE

- 78 Secured Employment
- 2,412 Received Income Supports
- 1,294 Improved Health Status
- 917 Seniors Aging in Place
- 97% Babies Born within Healthy Birth Weights



COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING

- 1,110 People Volunteered at/for TCAA
- 73 Community Garden Volunteers
- 38 Corporate Group Volunteers
- 27,753 Volunteer Hours
- 819,732 Pounds of Food Donated To TCAA

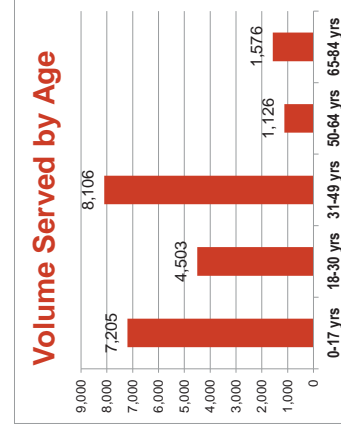


Household Income

78% TCAA clients living below the poverty guideline

17% TCAA clients living at 100% to 150% of the poverty guideline

4% TCAA clients living at 150% to 200% of the poverty guideline



\$25,100 = Federal poverty guideline, family of four (2018)
\$50,474 = Median Household Income, Tempe (U.S. Census, 2016)