



A Community Action Agency

HELPING PEOPLE. CHANGING LIVES.

Community Action Since 1964 

About OLHSA

Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) is a Community Action Agency, formed in 1964, as part of President Lyndon B. Johnson's War on Poverty. We assist Oakland and Livingston County residents that are looking for support to remove the burdens of poverty by providing individually tailored, wrap-around services for all household in need of help.

OLHSA employees strive for excellence, respect others, and honor diversity. We partner with community members and local organizations to provide more of an impact in our community work.

National Community Action Partnership Member

OLHSA is a member of a national network of Community Action Agencies (CAA) that work with individuals, families, and communities to reduce the causes and conditions of poverty. For over 50 years this national network of 1,000 CAAs has worked to make our communities a better place to live.



OLHSA,CAA - <https://youtu.be/KdQC3r-3bBg>

MISSION, VISION, VALUES

Mission Statement

To empower families and communities to gain the knowledge, skills and resources needed to improve their quality of life.

Our Vision

To break the cycle of poverty, reaching the day when all families and communities thrive.

Our Values

- **Compassion:** Serving our clients with dignity, respect and care
- **Progress:** Pushing ourselves toward thoughtful, creative, long-term solutions
- **Diversity:** Embracing a wide array of viewpoints and possibilities
- **Integrity:** Doing the right thing in all we do
- **Collaboration:** Partnering with all who can help us help others
- **Stewardship:** Managing fiscal and programmatic resources responsibly and ethically
- **Advocacy:** Putting voice with action in pursuit of our vision

OLHSA is the largest private nonprofit agency delivering Community Action services in Oakland and Livingston Counties. We support households in need with tailored services and assist with programs to reduce economic hardship and barriers to service.

Find more service info at: <https://www.olhsa.org/complete-services>. Services are based on funding and local availability

- **Economic Security**

- Financial Immersion
- Workforce Development
- Financial Management Education
- Home Ownership Counseling and Assistance
- Michigan Benefits Access (MI Bridges)
- LIHWAP Water Supports

- **Education**

- Early Childhood Education
- Foreclosure Prevention & Property Tax Delinquency
- Referral programs
- Weatherization Assistance Program

- **Emergency Assistance Programs**

- Emergency Rent or Mortgage Assistance
- Emergency Utility Assistance Program
- Homelessness Supports

- **Health**

- HIV/AIDS Services
- Maternal Child Health Advocate (Oakland County)
- Michigan Benefits Access
- Resource Advocacy

- **Housing**

- Mobile Home Repairs (Oakland County)
- Refrigerator Replacement Program
- Supportive Services for Veteran Families
- Venture, Inc. (OLHSA's Housing Subsidiary)

- **Hunger**

- Food Pantries (Oakland County)
- Emergency Food Assistance
- Food for Seniors (CSFP)
- Shared Harvest Pantry (Livingston County)
- Summer Lunch/Meet Up & Eat Up (Oakland County)
- The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

OLHSA IMPACT

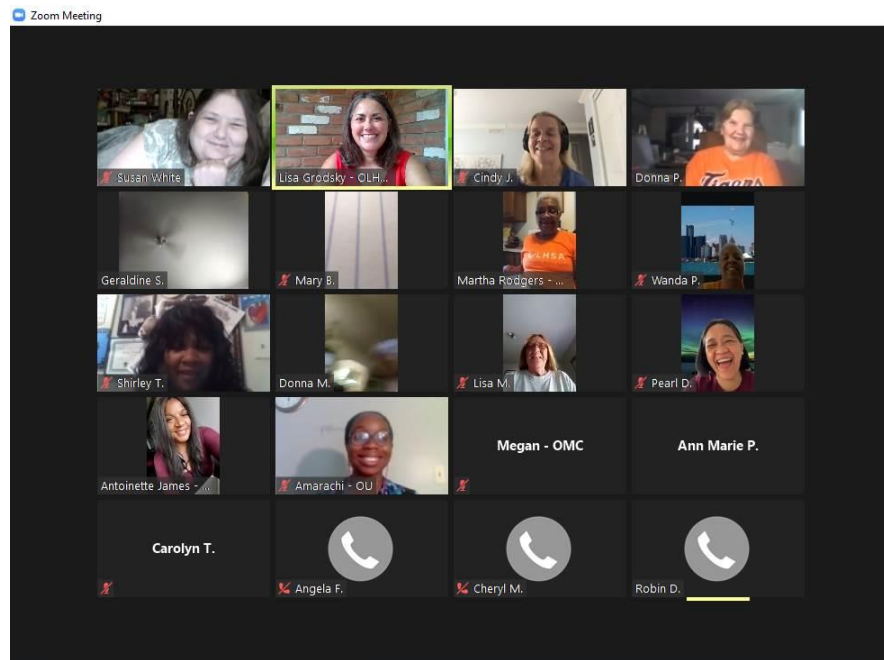
In 2021, OLHSA provided Community Action support for **8,622 people** in Oakland and Livingston Counties.

- 1,148 Seniors
- 3,508 Children
- 2,428 Unemployed
- 1,342 People living with a disability

Results Are Achieved Through The Promise Of Community Action

Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren



Support group Service Area: Macomb, Oakland, and Livingston Counties

ELIGIBILITY:

No age limitations | No income limitations | Caregiver must reside in service area
Children must reside in house and relative is hands-on/primary caregiver | Parents may live in household | Formal/informal kinship caregivers

WHY RAISE GRANDCHILDREN?

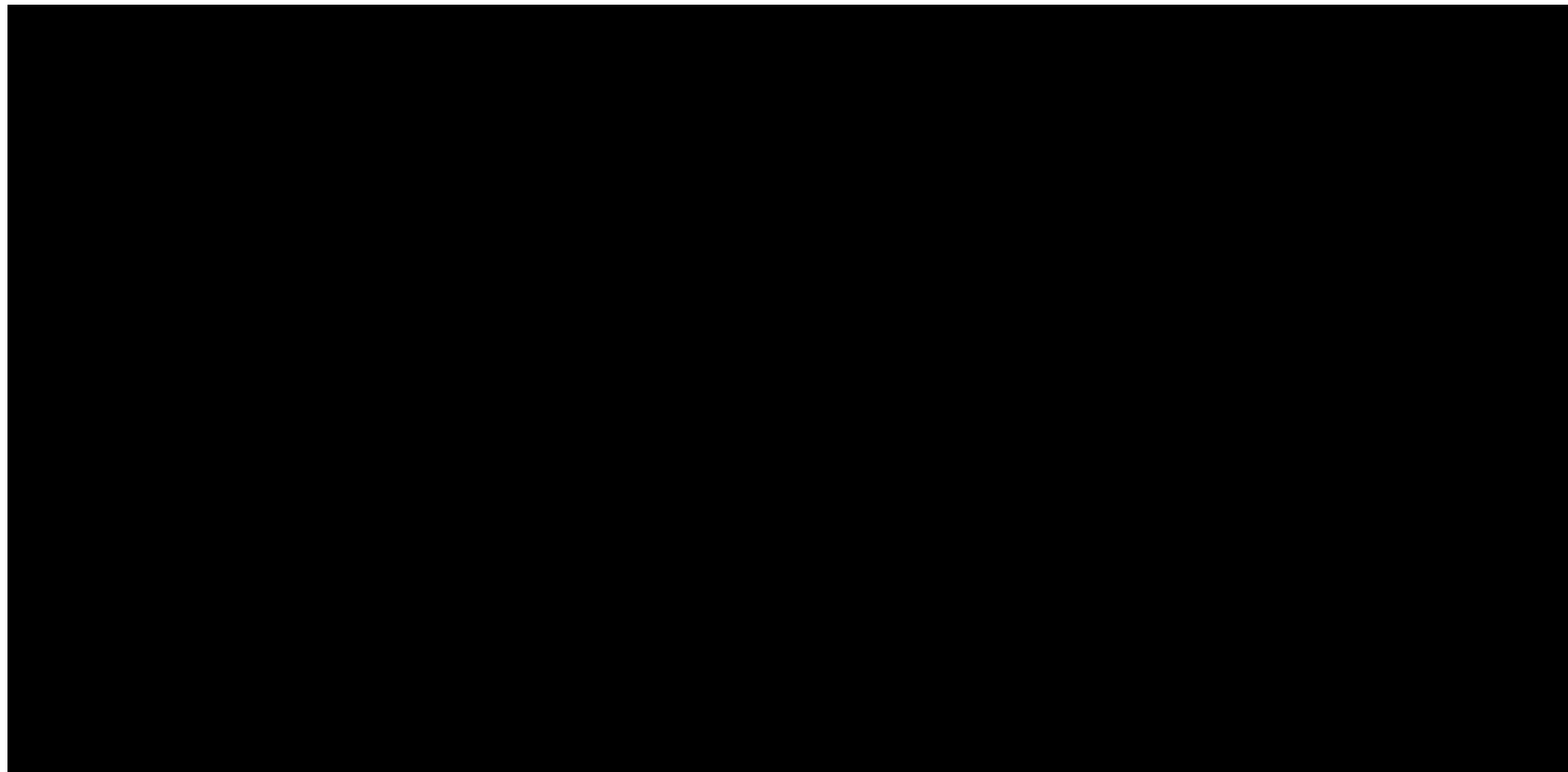
- Relatives are the preferred placement of children
- Birth parents lacking Mental Health services
- Birth parents struggle with Substance Abuse
- Death of birth parent(s)
- Incarceration of birth parent(s)
- Children are Abused or Abandoned by birth parents
- Birth parents lost parental rights

Services Provided

- Monthly Support Group Meetings
- Individualized support services
- Referrals
- Resources
- A safe Kinship Caregiving community



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Early Childhood Services

Early Childhood programs support children fulfilling their potential. Early childhood programs are designed to ensure children and families have access to nutritional, medical, educational, and family supports. We partner with families and medical professionals to improve healthy childhood development outcomes inside and outside the classroom. OLHSA is there to lend a helping hand to parents who are ready to take the initiative in their child's welfare.

- **Early Head Start** - A free service that helps parents make sure their children get what they need during some of the most critical stages of their development.
- **Head Start** - A free preschool program designed to spark a child's interest in learning.
- **Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)** - A free program for 4 year olds that helps prepare them for their future school career.
- **Woman, Infants, and Children (WIC)** - Information and medical screening for pregnant women and very young children.



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