COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The following needs were identified as barriers or gaps within the eight counties MOCA serves:

- 1. Employment/Career.
- 2. Living Wage opportunities.
- 3. Education—Formal/ Technical/Life Skills
- 4. Housing
- 5. Transportation
- 6. Social Issues Mental Health
- 7. Child Care
- 8. Health & Nutrition
- 9. Resources

For a complete Community Needs Assessment, please contact MOCA at 573-765-3263.



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2019—2021 Strategic Plan

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MISSOURI OZARKS COMMUNITY ACTION STRATEGIC PLAN



2019-2021 GOALS

The following were prioritized as goals through the agency strategic planning:

- 1. Social Issues—Mental Health (FAMILY):
- A. Analyze resources/develop a plan during the next year to engage and empower youth to prevent negative coping skills, substance abuse, and teen pregnancy.
- B. Enhance existing Life Skills classes during the next two years to include building positive coping skills.
- C. Expand community partnerships over the next year with preventative health, mental health, and social well being agencies.



2. Housing (COMMUNITY):

- A. Share funding resources and opportunities with partner organizations over the next three years.
- B. Explore innovative housing opportunities during the next three years.



3. Education (FAMILY):

- A. Maintain education supports and partnerships with educational facilities throughout the MOCA service area.
- B. Continue ongoing professional development for staff, community members, and participating families served through the agency.
- C. During the next year increase knowledge of available educational resources for families served through the agency in regard to:
- Pell Grants/FASFA
- Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program
- Vocational Rehabilitation



4. Health & Nutrition (COMMUNITY):

- A. Collaborate with FQHC to provide health services to Head Start Children and Families during the next three years.
- B. Expand existing nutrition and Healthy Choices life skills classes and workshops over the next year.
- C. Duplicate and expand fitness and nutrition services to service area during the next two years.



5. Resources (AGENCY):

- A. Continue utilization of board members and policy council members to identify and/or distribute resource information throughout the agency service area.
- B. During the next year, create a procedure or policy to update the existing resource guide effectively and efficiently.
- C. Over the next three years, increase community outreach and visibility throughout the service area.



To ensure accountability this agency participates in Results Oriented Management and Accountability (ROMA).

This process includes:

- Assessment: (Comprehensive Community Needs Assessment was completed 9/28/2017).
- Planning (Strategic Plan finalized 3/12/2018).
- Implementation
- Achievement of Results (Outcomes/Reporting/ Auditing)
- Evaluation (Monitoring/Auditing)
- Assessment (Reassessing community needs and barriers)

For more information about the Strategic Plan, Missouri Ozarks Community Action agency, or programs within:

- Community Services
- Head Start
- LIHEAP
- Section 8 Housing
- Weatherization

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