

MAACTIVITY REPORT

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MAACLink Tips

Referrals

... Use Referral Services to document this assistance.

APR Agencies

- ... Review report several months before deadline,
- ... Numbers in each section must add up to the same figure.
- ... Enter all assessments in the HMIS workflow (only).
- ... Call MAACLink for support and training.

Volunteers

... Schedule training for your volunteers in MAAC's new training room with 6 computers.

Web Links

... MAACLink contains useful links to support services.

MAACLINK EXPANDS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF KANSAS

Lawrence, Kansas adopted MAACLink as its information system to help coordinate services to low-income and homeless Lawrence residents. Paul Bigelow and Estelle Banks trained the Lawrence service providers and they began using MAACLink in June.



Paul Bigelow of MAAC trains Teresa Staskal at the Pélathé Community Resource Center in Lawrence, Kansas

The State of Kansas received a HUD HMIS grant to coordinate information about homeless services. Kansas selected MAACLink as its Homeless Information Management System. Paul Bigelow and Lisa Davis, of the Kansas Homeless Services Coalition, trained agencies in Manhattan and Salina, Kansas in June. Other Kansas communities will come on-line throughout the year.

Topeka is currently using the earlier MAACLink system and will convert to the new MAACLink later this year.

Having statewide data will be a good way to compare rural, suburban, and urban poverty. MAACLink data is an increasingly important source for developing poverty prevention strategies.

Additional MAACLink Training Offered

MAAC recently converted office space to provide a training room for small group MAACLink training sessions.

If your staff needs additional training on enrolling clients in a HUD program, setting up a holiday gift intake process, managing and administering assistance funds, documenting client goals, or general client intake, call Estelle at 816-561-2727.

New MAACLink Agencies

- Community Christian Church
- Housing Information Center: Olathe
- Johnson County Christmas Bureau
- Johnson County Mental Health
- Life Church
- Phoenix Family Housing: Olde Oak Tree

Save these Dates

- MAAC Annual Training Conference**
- September 27 at Adams Point Conference Center**
- Hot Shots Golf Tournament for Utility Assistance**
- October 5 at Drumm Farm Golf Club**



NEW BOARD MEMBER: LORI MOSBY

Lori Mosby recently joined the MAAC Board of Directors. Lori is an IT Analyst with Hallmark Cards, Inc. Lori's experience in strategic IT planning, project management, systems analysis, and software design will be very helpful to MAAC as the MAACLink system expands.



MAAC BOARD LOOKS FORWARD

MAAC received a Capacity Building grant from the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation for its Succession Planning Initiative.

Long-time Executive Director, Jan Marcason, will retire at the end of 2006 to run for the City Council of Kansas City, Missouri.

The MAAC Board's Succession Planning Team will hire a consultant to ensure that the agency is positioned to take full advantage of new leadership to help MAAC's programs and systems move forward.

MAAC ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 27: STRENGTH IN UNITY

Featured Keynote Speaker: Dr. Wally Kisthardt

Save the date for the MAAC Annual Training Conference on September 27. This year, the conference will be held at the Adams Point Conference Center in Blue Springs, Missouri. Speakers already confirmed to present workshops include:

Dr. Becky Johnson: HUD Programs, What they are and how to apply

Preston Washington, NCADD: Cultural Diversity

Zoe Ann Amey, Wyandot Mental Health: Case management documentation

Joyce Slater: Using storytelling and writing

Nate Whithers, MLM: How to start a life skills class

Kathleen Crowley: The power of procovery

Trevor Singer, KCPD: Warning signs of drug activity

Teresa Titus-Howard: Depression in the workplace

Missouri Division of Family Services, Family Support Division: New TANF regulations

MAACLink sessions

Service to the Community Award:

Nominate someone for the **Service to the Community Award** that will be presented at **MAAC's Annual Training Conference**. The person must demonstrate their commitment to serving low-income and homeless individuals and families, improving the opportunities for advancement, developing programs that lead to economic improvement, or advocating on behalf of low-income and homeless citizens. E-mail the following information to MAAC by August 30, 2006 (info@maaclink.org).

Name of Nominee

Nominee's Professional/Volunteer Role

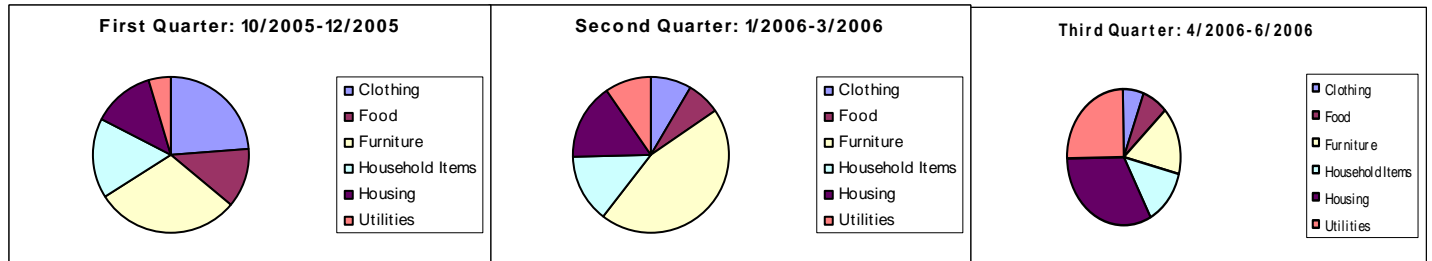
Statement of Qualifications (200 words or fewer)

Your name/contact information



Hurricane Assistance Funds Administered by MAAC

MAAC has been administering funds donated by the Kauffman Foundation and other local philanthropies. Since the first of the year, expenditures have been primarily for furniture and other housing assistance. People that came to our community are moving into more permanent living situations. A chart of Hurricane Assistance Funds reinforces the donors' goal that these families would transition from crisis to stability.



Hurricane Katrina Donors: Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund, Panera Bread Customers, Stinson, Morrison, Hecker LLP, Homelessness Trust Fund of Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, Robert and Ann Regnier Fund of Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, Disciples of Christ Week of Compassion, Bernstein Rein, Menorah Legacy Foundation, Sue Miller, Karen and Andy See, Second Presbyterian Church, Robert and Sharon Clark, Robert Wolff, Joyce Harris, Janice Block, Ken and Sheila Sonnenschein, Marcia Wolff, Rabbi Mark Levin Discretionary Fund, Jerome and Barbara Cohen, C. Henry and Cathy Giessen, Alisa Kartch, Marlene Giessen, Leslie and Mark Levin, Eileen Kershenbaum, Mickie Hughes DBA Consulting Services, Norma and Rebecca Chinn.

MAACLink Data Use Promoted at National Fuel Funds Network Conference

MAAC's Executive Director, Jan Marcason, along with Jeff Jameson of the New Jersey \$1 Energy Fund promoted the use of data at the National Fuel Funds Network Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. in June. MAACLink reports as used for fund management, public policy, outcome measurements, and prevention strategies were highlighted in the session. Other area NFFN Conference participants pictured below include Phynice Kelley of Kansas City Power & Light Company, Commissioner Lin Appling of the Missouri Public Service Commission, Jackie Hutchinson of the Human Development Corporation Community Action Agency in St. Louis, and Gloria Thirdkill of Laclede Gas in St. Louis.

While in Washington, Jan stopped by the office of Rep. Emanuel Cleaver II to thank him for his support for low income utility assistance programs. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is an important measure for many Kansas City area utility customers.



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Tournament to
benefit utility
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Thursday, October 5.
Drumm Farm Golf
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