



Goodhue County 2024 Program Outcomes

Household Demographics

- **1,226** households served
- **50%** fell at or below the poverty line
- **53%** were renters
- **\$22,000** median income*

** of those that reported income*

Individual Demographics

- **3,064** individuals served
- **35%** were children
- **30%** were older adults
- **17%** were BIPOC community members
- **20%** reported a disability
- **8%** were Hispanic or Latino

Program Outcomes

Housing Development

- Own and operated 153 units of affordable multi-family housing in Red Wing, Pine Island, and Cannon Falls

Weatherization

- Partnered with local contractors to provide weatherization services for 5 households

Homeless Assistance and Prevention

- Prevented 49 households, including 47 children, from experiencing homelessness with \$121,107 of support

Older Adults

- Served 71 older adults with 15,342 nutritious home delivered meals
- Supported 37 older adults with assistance with applications, chores, and community resources

Energy Assistance Program

- Provided 970 households with \$440,906 of support for utility cost burden, and an additional 270 households in crisis with \$129,835 of funding
- Hired local contractors for 19 emergency repairs

Transportation

- Provided 66,558 rides on public transportation bus services in Red Wing, Zumbrota-Mazeppa, Kenyon-Wanamingo, Pine Island, and Cannon Falls
- Volunteer drivers provided 1,196 rides to older adults and persons with disabilities to appointments and other community resources

Early Childhood

- Provided Head Start classroom education and family support services to 52 children in Zumbrota and Red Wing
- Supported 14 children 0-3, and their families, through our home visiting program

Program Highlight

Our new respite program provides in-home temporary relief for caregivers by offering trusted support. Whether it's for a few hours or just an afternoon, respite allows caregivers time to rest, recharge, or attend to their own needs or other responsibilities. Services are flexible and tailored to the unique needs of each family. By supporting caregivers, we help ensure long-term stability and wellbeing for both the caregiver and the care recipient. We have volunteers who have been trained and are looking forward to being paired with a participant.

Story of Impact - Shelby's Story

Shelby was just trying to keep her household running. Recently separated, a domestic violence survivor and mom of 5 (3 with a disability), she was struggling. The foundation of their home had water leaking in and there was mold in the lower level. The smoke and carbon monoxide detectors were out of date. There was an improperly working water heater, the drain stack leaked and mice were present. All of these issues compounded health issues for the family causing frequent doctor's visits, medications and increased expenses for an already financially-strained household. Our Weatherization program was able to address these health and safety issues as well as other energy efficient upgrades. These measures will allow Shelby to have lower utility costs and more financial independence, as well as help keep her and her children healthier.



History

Three Rivers Community Action is a nonprofit human service organization incorporated in 1966. Created by community leaders to provide citizens and communities in southern Minnesota with anti-poverty strategies, the Three Rivers mission is *"to work with community partners to address the basic human needs of people in our service area, thereby improving the quality of life of the individual, family and community."*

For almost 60 years, Three Rivers has responded to the needs of the community and today operates over 40 programs in the areas of Housing Development, Early Childhood, Homeless Assistance and Prevention, Transportation and Older Adult Services.

Three Rivers Community Action, continues to provide core services in the county while exploring new opportunities for deepening the impact on low-income households working their way out of poverty.

Goodhue County Locations

Zumbrota Office

1414 Northstar Drive
Zumbrota, MN 55992

Red Wing Head Start

269 East 5th Street
Red Wing, MN 55066

507-316-0610

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Goodhue County Programs

Housing Development - New Construction and Preservation

- Works with community partners to plan and develop new affordable rental and owner-occupied projects that meet local needs and to rehabilitate and preserve existing rental and ownership housing stock

Homeless Assistance and Prevention Programs

- Assistance and support to individuals and families who are experiencing or nearing homelessness

Older Adult Services

- Helps older adults remain independent and in their homes longer. Programs include Meals on Wheels, Homemaker and Chore Services, Respite Care and Volunteer Transportation

Energy Assistance Program

- Federal program that helps supplement home heating costs and provides emergency furnace repairs for income-qualified households

Weatherization

- Provides home energy upgrades to income-eligible homeowners to save energy and improve health and safety in the home

SNAP Outreach & Assistance

- Sharing information about the federal Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program and assisting households to complete applications for food assistance

Auto Repair

- Provides motor vehicle repairs to assist eligible individuals to obtain or maintain employment and connects individuals to other essential services

Homeownership

- An array of services for households on the path to homeownership, including financial literacy and empowerment coaching, homebuyer education classes, individual pre-purchase counseling and post-purchase education and downpayment assistance programs - services are provided in multiple languages

Head Start Pre-School

- Pre-school education focused on the growth and development of children and parents and assisting families to self-reliance

Early Head Start

- Home visiting program for children ages 0-3 and their parents, providing comprehensive child development and family services

Hiawathaland Public Transit

- County-wide bus service that includes route service in Red Wing and Dial-A-Ride service throughout the county

Homeless Response Team

- Coordination of inter-agency team to identify and address the needs of people experiencing homelessness in Goodhue County