

THE SRCAA Inc

NEWSLETTER



*BACK TO SCHOOL
EDITION*

Community Event Prepares Families for the 2023-24 School Year!

The summer season is slowly winding down as August is the last full month before autumn arrives. Reflecting back several weeks, the Salisbury-Rowan Community Action Agency, Inc. sponsored two large community events in late spring and during the summer.

"Gearing Up for Success" was the back-to-school theme for the community event held on July 21, 2023. Amid the event activities were food, music, and school supply distribution for students. There was also a variety of resource information available from many partners to aid the whole family.

SRCAA, Inc. would like to send a special thanks to our event organizers, participating partners, and many volunteers, including members of our own Board of Directors. Through your efforts, we were able to provide 300 children with backpacks and shoes to get this school year off to a great start. Special recognition goes out to our partners at Samaritans Feet and ApSeed, who provided Seedling touch pads to youth during the event.

A lot of effort went into making this event possible, and SRCAA, Inc. is most appreciative of you all!



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The agency also pulled funds together for a backpack giveaway and a raffle for YMCA youth passes. But what really got the most attention was all of the free shoes. Kids and their parents waited in line to get their own pair thanks to the agency teaming up with Samaritan's Feet, a

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Charlotte non-profit, to donate 300 pairs of shoes. ApSeed, an early childhood education non-profit, was on hand to do its own giveaway, too. ApSeed was donating its own touchpads called Seedlings, that "teaches children letters, shapes, sounds, colors, numbers, and we provide the touchpads with no wifi, no camera.

Read the full article that was published in the **Salisbury Post**,

Sunday July 23, 2023 by Brad Dountz
[Read Here](#)

From Vision to Action: Non-Profit Organizations Making a Difference in Education, Healthcare, and More

National Nonprofit Day is commemorated on August 17 each year to recognize nonprofit organizations' ongoing efforts to serve their local communities. Last year, the Salisbury-Rowan Community Action Agency, Inc., served 696 individuals and families in total.

89 individuals received tuition assistance for vocational training. 46 individuals completed educational studies that included skills training certifications and degree programs. 111 completed training in financial literacy, parenting, and other life skills. 303 children received education and cognitive development services for kindergarten readiness. Infant and toddler dental services were provided, along with health screenings, literacy skills, and nutrition.

Additionally, 9,734 hours of service were donated by volunteers in support of the families that our agency serves. Thanks to the generosity of donors, SRCAA, Inc. received \$411,770 in contributions to help us in our

fight against economic insecurity among our community's most vulnerable population.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Lucilita Ancheta, affectionately known as "Lucy," will be approaching 23 years of service with the Salisbury-Rowan Community Action Agency, Inc. in November. Ms. Ancheta is an Intake Specialist for the Community Service Block Grant program (CSBG). Some of her favorite activities during her leisure time are cooking, gardening, and reading motivational books. When it's time to watch television, she enjoys game shows as well as mystery and comedy movies.

Ms. Ancheta says she loves eating pizza and Filipino-style food. Speaking of her food choices, it's no wonder that the Philippines is among her preferred destinations to visit that she calls "home!" She also likes to visit Canada.

What is most fulfilling about working for SRCAA, Inc.? "For me, it's most fulfilling to be



able to help people attain their goals. Whether it's educational goals, employment goals, or becoming self-sufficient, I enjoy helping them!"

"The resilience of the Salisbury-Rowan Community Action Agency, Inc. is a direct result of you, our valued employees. Your dedication, commitment and service to this agency is most appreciated, and we would like to take this time to recognize and celebrate you. I would also like to take this moment to welcome aboard our newly hired employees!"

-Dione Adkins
Executive Director

NEW EMPLOYEES

Shamara McNeair Early Learning Services
Trinity Eddleman Family Development SPCLST

SERVICE RECOGNITION

Joanne Holmes	21 Years
Shirley Hayes	17 Years
Carolyn Hayes	16 Years
Ta'Mika Sellers	15 Years
Dione Adkins	12 Years
Janet Ferguson	12 Years
Vanessa Washington	11 Years
Angelita Saunders	9 Years
Japonica Hopkins	8 Years
Jamie Hosch	2 Years

SERVICE OF COMMUNITY TOP PRIORITY

In the aftermath of the unprecedented health crisis faced by our community and our entire nation due to COVID-19, the Salisbury-Rowan Community Action Agency, Inc. continues making the service of the community top priority, from providing early childhood education through our Head Start/Early Head Start Program or tuition assistance for employment skills training through our Self-Sufficiency Program, we are dedicated to helping people, help themselves

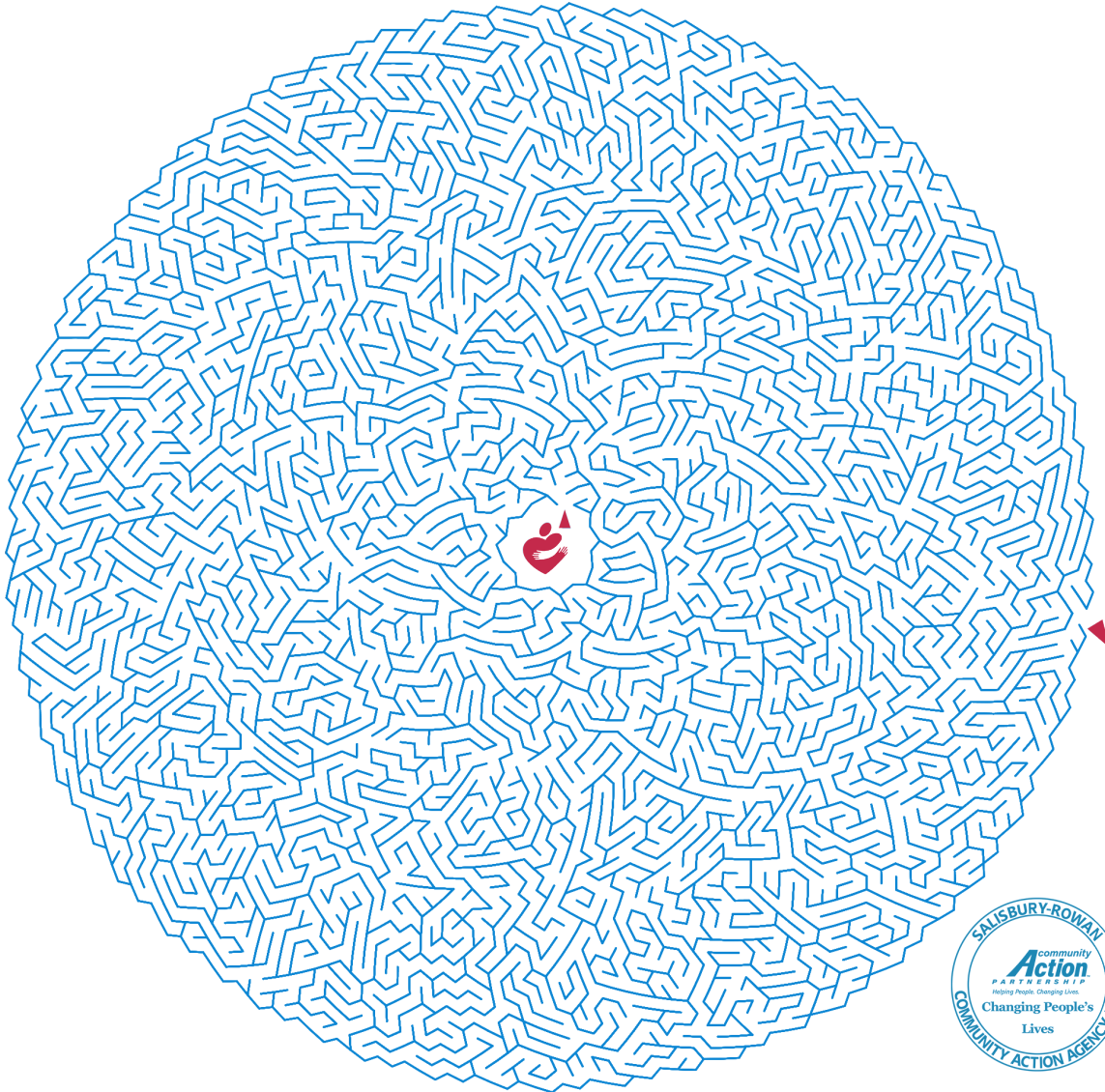
HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM: The comprehensive child development program is designed to meet children and family needs, providing a solid foundation for the child and parent to grow together. The primary goals of the Head

Start/Early Head Start programs are to provide the best child development practices for children birth to five years of age. Head Start provides a comprehensive child development program that addresses the physical, cognitive, mental, social, and emotional development of prenatal, infants, toddlers, and preschool participants. The program services Rowan and Davidson counties.

FAMILY SERVICES: This Self-Sufficiency program assists those who choose to make a change in their life. For families and individuals enrolled in this program, the agency provides comprehensive supportive services to secure employment or increase their income, obtain education and /or vocational training, make better use of their income, obtain and maintain standard housing, and build a strong work ethic. The program services Rowan and Cabarrus counties

Back to School Maze

Do you have good problem-solving skills and up for a challenge? If so, see if you can find a way to put the huggy-heart back into the agency logo. The path forward may not be easy, but with determination and focus, you will succeed! Let's Go!



A zoo keeper has 18 parrots. All but two of them are red. All the red ones but three are dangerous. All the dangerous parrots but four fight. How many dangerous red parrots fight? **3, 6, 9, 11, 13, or 15?**

*The answer is hidden on the cover page. The lady standing holding the orange bag has the correct number on the bag.

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