



Community Action for Improvement, Inc.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

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From the Desk of

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CAFI is proud to offer an array of services beyond the energy assistance program, LIHEAP. Re-branding our Community Services is definitely a goal for our agency in 2018 and we are prioritizing customer service and efficient services in that pursuit.

Whether we are providing clients assistance with Housing Stability, Food Security supplements, Utility Assistance or simply advocating for our client needs; the CAFI staff are dedicated to providing a holistic, human approach to case management services for clients.

Referrals from external partners are ALWAYS welcome and while we may not be able to help every client that comes through our doors, we will always provide a high level of compassion and dedication in making client stability a priority.

Spotlight on Services- Additional LIHEAP Funding

Beginning February 27th, CAFI will begin taking additional names for its second round of funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Coweta, Heard, Meriwether and Troup County will be extending its LIHEAP client benefits into the Spring season. Funds are administered on a first come- first served basis with limited funding available on an appointment only basis.

During the appointment request process, call volume is extremely high with higher than normal phone wait times. While our staff work diligently to get to every client in need of assistance, we kindly ask for your patience during this busy time.

Coweta Services



The Coweta Neighborhood Service Center is open on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9-4pm and on Wednesday's and Friday's from 9-12pm. The Neighborhood Service Center is located at 25 Savannah Street in Newnan and provides assistance to clients in need of social services to maintain stability and success.

The Community Service department at CAFI offers clients support with housing stability, utility assistance, re-entry services, job readiness and service connection.



CAFI Neighborhood Services

WHATS NEW?

Food Security Services

CAFI offers a monthly food commodity program at its LaGrange location. Beginning March 14th, clients **MUST** provide income and identification documentation to receive food commodity services at CAFI.

If interested in receiving food assistance please contact Valerie Goss, Food Security Coordinator at (706) 882-6412



Keeping it Real

30 MINUTE MEALS ON A BUDGET

HONEY SPICE SHRIMP

- 2 LBS OF PRECOOKED SHRIMP
- 3 TBS OF HONEY
- 1 TB OF SOY SAUCE
- 1/2 TB OF GARLIC
- DASH OF RED PEPPER FLAKES
- 1/2 LEMON
- WHITE RICE

1. REMOVE THE TAIL FROM PRE-COOKED SHRIMP
2. IN A BOWL, COMBINE HONEY, SOY SAUCE, GARLIC AND RED PEPPER FLAKES.
3. COAT SHRIMP IN HONEY MIXTURE AND MARINATE FOR 30 MIN.
4. PREPARE WHITE RICE
5. TRANSFER SHRIMP TO A SKILLET AND COOK ON MEDIUM HEAT FOR 5 MINUTES
6. ADD SALT AND PEPPER
7. DRIZZLE LEMON ON TOP OF COOKED SHRIMP
8. SERVE ON TOP OF WHITE RICE

You Should Know

COMMUNITY HIRING
EVENTS

March 2nd
124 Perry Street
Manchester, GA

WIOA is hosting a hiring event on March 9th at the Manchester Parks and Recreation building from 10am-2pm. Stop by the mobile WIOA unit to see how WIOA can assist you in finding employment



Neighborhood Service Centers

Community Partner Spotlight

Three Rivers Area Agency on Aging

The Three Rivers Area Agency on Aging (TRAAA) plans, coordinates, and administers programs for older adults, caregivers, persons with disabilities, and grandparents raising grandchildren as well as provides a vital link to information and assistance for programs and services available in the area.

The 1 call approach to service connection is designed to be a streamlined process for clients looking to get connected to services that they are eligible for.

Phone: 678-552-2838



CAFI Neighborhood Service Centers

Troup: (706) 882-6412

Coweta: (770) 253-3864

Carroll: (770) 838-0511

Meriwether: (706) 882-6412

Heard: (770) 253-3864

