



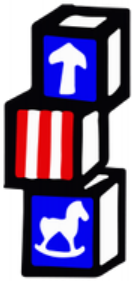
★ 15 ★ THOUSAND

Bremer and Howard County Food Pantries have partnered with the Healthy Kids Iowa initiative to provide more food to families over the summer.

NEICAC Pantries have provided 15,319 pounds of food to 213 households and 597 individuals.

NEICAC Customer Feedback!

Dear Community Action,
"Please convey our gratitude to all your service team. My daughter and I have come to Iowa for a new start and for counseling services. Finding our fee is a challenge. We are very thankful to Martin, Theresa, Denise and Amy and all the other people who helped us during our transition at this time. We are grateful."



"The Head Start Program has helped my daughter and son learn basic skills and build friendships before kindergarten. Without this program, because I had to work, my kids wouldn't have been able to build so many friendship skills."



Housing Program

NEICAC Housing is at 100% occupancy, but the waiting list is open at all properties. Click [here](#) for the application.



Early Childhood Programs

At the Region VII Conference in Kansas City, recently retired Head Start Coach Sandy Johnson was honored with the Head Start Regional Support Award. Sandy spent over 34 years with NEICAC's Head Start program, wrapping up her incredible journey this past May. We can't thank Sandy enough for her dedication to the children, families, and staff over the years. Her passion for the program and the people in it has made a lasting impact, and her presence will definitely be missed.



CACFP Food Safety Reminder

Bacteria grow most rapidly in the range of temperatures between 40 ° and 140 °F, doubling in number in as little as 20 minutes. This range of temperatures is often referred to as the "Danger Zone." The Meat and Poultry Hotline advises consumers to never leave food out of the refrigerator for over 2 hours. If the temperature is above 90°F, food should not be left out more than 1 hour.

WHAT'S UP IN WEATHERIZATION?

Weatherization completed 9 homes in June, totaling an estimated \$130,000. The crew spent two days assisting Head Start in relocating classrooms. Scott Fisher and Josh VanSkyhawk attended the Iowa Weatherization Association Conference Retreat in Okoboji, where they learned about many upcoming program updates. One of these changes is to complete the HVAC contracted work first. The new Auditor, Kalyn Olson, has been getting his feet wet on the crew and will be attending State Basic Evaluator training in July.



EARL PUBLIC TRANSIT

In June, Transit achieved a 96.7% on-time performance. The Lansing Bridge Shuttle Project operated from June 4-9. Transit provided vehicles on both sides of the river and also supplied drivers for the service. 180 rides were completed specifically for the Lansing Bridge Project. In total, 4,777 trips were provided, traveling 47,604 miles!



2025 FADSS YEAR IN REVIEW

- 64% Increased Income
- 67% Employed families with child care barriers addressed those barriers
- 100% Adult family members with mental health concerns accessed treatment
- 100% Adult family members with substance use concerns accessed treatment
- 55% Visits engaged multiple members of the family
- 100% Program's average monthly capacity



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