

Community Assistance Council is a non-profit social service agency in south Kansas City. As the only agency of its kind in the area, CAC offers a variety of programs for area residents. They have a food pantry and clothes closet, as well as offering emergency assistance with utilities and rent. Other programs include Homeless Prevention, Strengths Based Case Management, Meals on Wheels and much more.

Although CAC has made an impact on individuals' lives in the past 33 years, the area has become more economically challenged, especially in today's economy. The needs have become greater and more varied. Over the past year, utilization of the food pantry has increased 70%. Individuals who were donors to the agency are now clients in need of assistance.

Community Assistance Council continues its work in the area because of these challenges. It offers many forms of assistance to families facing economic issues, guided by the belief that becoming self-sufficient leads to a higher quality of life. The agency is grateful to be a recipient each year of proceeds from CROPWalk as the money is used specifically to stock its food pantry, through which they work to fight hunger in southern Kansas City.

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