

Hope

Community

Integrity

Dignity

Service

# Project **NOW**

Community  
Action Agency



## Annual Report 2006





### *A Message from the Executive Director*



As we work with issues of poverty in our various communities, the one thing the more than 1000 Community Action Agencies across America share is "The Promise of Community Action." You will find the lines of The Promise threaded throughout this Annual Report because it articulates so well the real meaning of what we do here at Project NOW every day...Improving Communities... Embodying the spirit of hope... Making America a better place to live...Helping people help themselves and each other.

Over the past year in keeping with the Promise of Community Action, we rewrote our mission and vision and adopted a set of core values. These are more than just words to inspire us, they remind us of our daily intent, direct us as we serve the community and guide us to a brighter future for the people we serve.

Thank you for your interest in Community Action.

*Maureen E. Hart*

Maureen "Mo" Hart  
Executive Director

**Community Action**  
**Changes People's Lives....**

## Locations

**Administration**  
**Utility Assistance**  
**Homebuyer Program**  
**Home Rehab Program**  
**Outreach**  
**Rental Properties**  
**Homeless Services**  
**Weatherization**



418 19th Street, Rock Island 61201 (309) 793-6391

### Head Start

499 27th Street, East Moline 61244 (309) 792-4555  
109 S Elm Street, Kewanee 61443 (309) 852-4346  
305 NW 7th Street, Aledo 61231 (309) 582-3668



### Good Things NOW Quality Used Clothing

2000 3rd Avenue, Rock Island 61201 (309) 793-6353  
605 SW 3rd Street, Aledo 61231 (309) 582-3244

### Rock Island County Senior Center



2221 11th Street, Rock Island, 61201 (309) 788-6335

### Outreach

418 19th Street, Rock Island 61201 (309) 793-6391  
711 4th Avenue, Moline 61265 (309) 764-8092  
605 1/2 Tenney Street, Kewanee 61443 (309) 852-4565  
605 1/2 SW 3rd Street, Aledo 61231 (309) 582-2644



## PARTNERSHIPS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Head Start was on the move this past year as the program's headquarters relocated from Silvis to a newly renovated Florence Aldridge Center in East Moline. The city of East Moline welcomed us to the facility and we look forward to a great partnership as we continue to serve the families of the area through our Head Start program.



In Kewanee we experienced a similar shift with a move of several classrooms from Franklin School to the child friendly classrooms at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. The church staff were very pleased to have children in its school halls once again.



Both of these changes position us well to serve our communities.

## Improves Communities...



Our Good Things NOW Store located on the busy corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 20<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Rock Island got a face lift last year with help from the City of Rock Island, Community Foundation of the Great River Bend, The Moline Foundation, Rock Island Community Foundation, Bituminous and United Way. The brick exterior was re-painted and beautiful canvass awnings were installed resulting in a striking new look which makes the whole corner more welcoming for shoppers, donors, second floor residents and customers of Rare Essence Barber & Beauty also located in the building.

**...And makes America  
A better place to live.**

**...Embodies the spirit of hope...**



**Clients Served  
This Year**



Head Start	453
Senior Services	6,542
Outreach	8,203
Homeless Services	613
Housing	369
Property Rentals	131
Weatherization	119
Good Things NOW	436
Utility Assistance	8,823
Emergency Assistance	682



**Project NOW provided help and hope to more than 23,000 people last year alone.**

## Financials for Year Ending 6/30/06

### Revenue

Federal	\$ 9,046,777
State	\$ 1,882,245
Local	\$ 258,550
Project Income, Donations & Other	\$ 1,061,829
Inkind	\$ 799,059
Total Revenue	\$ 13,048,460

### Expenses

Head Start	\$ 3,244,880
Utility Assistance	\$ 4,930,500
Senior Services	\$ 1,063,600
Outreach	\$ 597,807
Good Things Now Stores	\$ 35,161
Weatherization	\$ 750,347
Homeless Services	\$ 573,038
Housing	\$ 1,026,770
Property & Assets	\$ 317,072
Title V – Senior Aides	\$ 326,882
Total Expenses	\$ 12,866,057

**...We care about the entire community  
and are dedicated to helping people help  
themselves and each other.**

**Board of Directors**



Frankie Atwater



Diana Polk  
Board President



Linda Work



Margaret Alexander



Bob Hepner

**Mission Statement**

We strengthen  
communities  
by helping people  
help themselves  
and one another.



Cathy Bizarri



Charles Box



Mike Rasso



Jessie Lisle



Darlene Swim



John Brandmeyer



Muriel Weber

# VISION STATEMENT

**We envision  
the whole community  
working hand in hand  
to meet human needs,  
protect human dignity  
and restore hope.**



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