

## Community Needs Assessment Questionnaire

The following questionnaire will only take a few minutes to complete and it will assist in helping people, meeting the community needs, and providing hope. All information will be kept confidential and your name is not required on the questionnaire. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!**

**EVERY QUESTION IS TO BE COMPELTED OR THIS QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE RESULTING POOL. *Please check the appropriate answer for each question.***

### Basic Demographic Information

1. What is your role in the community? (Please select the best choice which fits your role when completing this survey)
  - Community Action Client/Low-Income Resident
  - Faith Based Organization Representative (Church/Faith Based groups, clubs, councils, associations, etc.)
  - Private Sector Representative/Community Member (for profit, small business, private citizen, etc.)
  - Community Organization/Partner (local service provider and non-profits)
  - Educational Institution Faculty/Staff (local adult eds, schools, college and universities)
  - Health Care Agencies (clinics, health departments, etc.)
  - Board Member of Community Action Agency
  - Staff or Volunteer of Community Action Agency
  - Local Politician/Government/Public Sector Representative (non-profit, government regulated, funding sources, etc.)
2. In which county do you live or represent? Clay    Jackson    Laurel    Rockcastle
3. What is your gender? Male    Female
4. What is your age? Under 18    18-24    25-44    45-54    55-59    60-64    65-74    75+
5. What is your race?
  - American Indian or Alaska Native
  - Asian
  - Black or African American
  - Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander
  - White
  - Multi-race (two or more of the previous)
  - Other
6. What is your ethnicity? Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins    Not Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins
7. What is your education level?
  - Grades 0-8
  - Grades 9-12/Non-Graduate
  - High School Graduate/Equivalency Diploma
  - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade + Some Post-Secondary
  - 2 or 4 years College Graduate
  - Graduate of Other Post-Secondary School
8. What is your Military Status? Veteran    Active Military    N/A

As part of the local Community Action Agency ongoing Community Needs Assessment, we are asking that you assist us by completing the following survey. The results of the survey assist in targeting funding toward the greatest community needs.

**9.** The following topic areas require that you mark the **three most important needs in each category**. Please take the time to review each carefully before making your decision. As always, we value your input and feedback.

**EDUCATION – Mark the three most important needs.**

- More parents involved in students' education
- Preschool activities for child(ren) to develop school readiness skills
- More assessable counseling to prepare students for tech or college
- More certificate/degree programs offered locally
- Affordable transportation options to and from school
- Affordable high-quality childcare options for parent who would like to further their education
- Increasing the community's knowledge of available education resources
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list other agencies/organizations you would be comfortable requesting services.** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMPLOYMENT – Mark the three most important needs.**

- More jobs with better pay and benefits
- More training for the types of jobs available in the area
- Affordable transportation to and from job
- Affordable childcare during work hours
- Early reinforcement of the values of entering the workforce
- Increasing the community's knowledge of available employment resources
- Improve the workforce readiness skills of people who are able to work
- Affordable adult daycare during work hours
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list other agencies/organizations you would be comfortable requesting services.** \_\_\_\_\_

**HEALTH – Mark the three most important needs.**

- More community focus on preventative Healthcare
- Affordable transportation for health care services
- Provide more education on maintaining personal hygiene
- More payment assistance programs for adult dental, hearing and/or vision services
- More access to affordable comprehensive (or primary) health care services
- Increasing the community's knowledge of available health resources
- More emphasis on early childhood nutrition education
- More emphasis on reinforcing healthy eating habits
- More nutritional counseling (one on one and free)
- More knowledge of available food resources
- More assistance and resources for victims of domestic violence
- More assistance and resources for victims of Elder abuse
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list other agencies/organizations you would be comfortable requesting services.** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOUSING – Mark the three most important needs.**

- More monthly rental assistance programs
- Increased availability of security/utility deposit programs
- More counseling resources for homeowners
- More grants to make home ownership and home rehab affordable
- More grants to provide services that reduce energy cost
- More programs to provide free home repair
- More income based rental housing for disabled and seniors
- More community supports for homeless families
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list other agencies/organizations you would be comfortable requesting services.** \_\_\_\_\_

**INCOME AND ASSET BUILDING – Mark the three most important needs.**

- Anonymous and confidential budget counseling
- More education on how to build assets
- Information on how to access free credit counseling
- Anonymous and confidential savings counseling
- More access to low interest loans
- More information on how to access financial resources
- Increasing the community's knowledge of available mainstream financial resources
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list other agencies/organizations you would be comfortable requesting services.** \_\_\_\_\_

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT – Mark the three most important needs.**

- Increasing the community's skills and knowledge for leadership development
- More citizenship classes
- More education on how to join neighborhood associations, community boards, advisory groups or similar organizations
- More knowledge on civic activities
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list other agencies/organizations you would be comfortable requesting services.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Support Services – Mark the three most important needs.**

- Child Support
- Legal Services
- Youth Services
- Meal Programs
- Life Skills Programs and Services
- Substance Abuse Resources
- Elderly Services
- Sexual/Emotional/Physical Abuse Services
- Transportation Services
- Disabled Services
- In-home Services - Seniors
- Senior Centers
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**OVERALL – Based on the items you selected above, please mark the top three (3) Main Service Categories you feel your community/county needs the most.**

- Employment
- Education
- Income and Asset Building
- Housing
- Health
- Civic Engagement
- Support Services (supporting multiple domains)

**10. What do you think is the most important reason you or your community needs Community Action?**