

Workforce Development

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Chatham Apprentice Program

Savannah Graduates

- E-3 employability class, underway at Savannah Gardens, began on Aug. 1. 17 women and men enrolled
- CAP is hosting an E-3 class at Georgia Department of Labor, September 19th through October 13th; the next class will be at the May Street YMCA from November 7th through December 6th. Both classes will offer the option of also earning a TWIC card or Forklift Safety Certification.
- 100 CAP graduates ; 47 jobs (reported to Chatham County at the end of its fiscal year July 1)

- Three “Near Peer” counselors hired on a “pilot” basis to work with 50 seniors each at Windsor Forest, Groves and Jenkins high schools. They’ll mentor youth to plan beyond high school on college or job path.

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Financial Education

Benefit Enrollment

Life Line Loan

VITA

Campaign for Healthy Kids

- 2,436 participants, reported 135% increase in knowledge
- Bank On Savannah – 527 accounts opened, YTD

- 785 screened for benefits; 295 SNAP applications, 292 SNAP renewals

- 183 loans, YTD, totaling \$243,500
 - Average loan - \$1,330.60
- Total loaned since inception - \$495,300 (371 loans)

- Filed 4,203 EITC (totaling \$3.3 M) this tax season
- Total 2015 refunds - \$7.2 M
- Total Economic Impact \$13.07M

- 494 children (311 applications) YTD
- Campaign featured on Mid Morning Live Aug. 10 (Eva Elmer and LaToya Brannen slated to speak)

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Policy Issues

Communications

Poverty Simulations

Development

- Step Up and UWCE hosting luncheon on Sept. 21 to educate state legislators on a state EITC. GBPI staff will handle presentation.
- AHF Advisory Committee members meeting with aldermen to discuss dedicated funding for the Fund.
- CFPB has issued proposed regulations on small-dollar loans; Step Up will comment in Sept. on the section that would affect car title loans.

- *Savannah Art Informer*: “‘Profiles of Poverty’ puts a face on a state-wide crisis”
- CAP program featured in the Chatham County Connection
- Robyn’s letter to the editor on Life Line Loans ran in the SMN in July
- *Connect* ran a story on “Creating Opportunity” Awards leading up to Aug. 12 deadline
- Weekly press releases submitted about Step Up and CAP programs

- Next poverty simulation September 13th (12:30-3:00pm) at ASU
- 3 simulations in 2016, 179 total participants

- Efforts to secure sponsors for the annual meeting in full swing.
- Annual campaign will launch this fall; Fund Committee is requesting board members to donate to the annual campaign before launch.
- UWCE and Sapelo Foundation mid-term reports submitted by staff.

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Center for Working Families	NLA/Resident Team	Community Indicators Coalition
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting, August 18, features Bill Broker, GLSP managing attorney CWF members have requested additional professional development, so this will be the focus of future meetings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2016 NLA applications accepted through Aug. 5 deadline. Alumni Assoc meeting in Aug; speaker will talk about Sickle-cell disease. Resident Team met on Aug. 10 at Montgomery Landings Step Up hosted “Starting – and Running – a Healthy Nonprofit Organization,” professional skills training series on 6/25, 7/9, 7/16 at UWCE. Each event brought in 20+ participants; the second was covered by WJCL. Participants asked for more programs like these. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff participating in Economy Team, which is planning a forum to connect workforce programs with employers in late fall. E.D. serving on advisory committee to County, organizing a forum on housing for elected officials and others, Aug. 17, 8:30 – 4:30 at Savannah State Univ.

Poverty and Age in Savannah

Median age - 31 years old
Population of 15 to 24 years old - 19.8%

15 to 24-year-olds living in poverty

3,800 males (28.6%)
5,309 females (36%)

Based on ACS 2014 (5-year estimates)

Age groups living in poverty

■ 0-14 ■ 15-24 ■ 25-34 ■ 35-44 ■ 45-54 ■ 55-64 ■ 65-74 ■ 75 and over

