



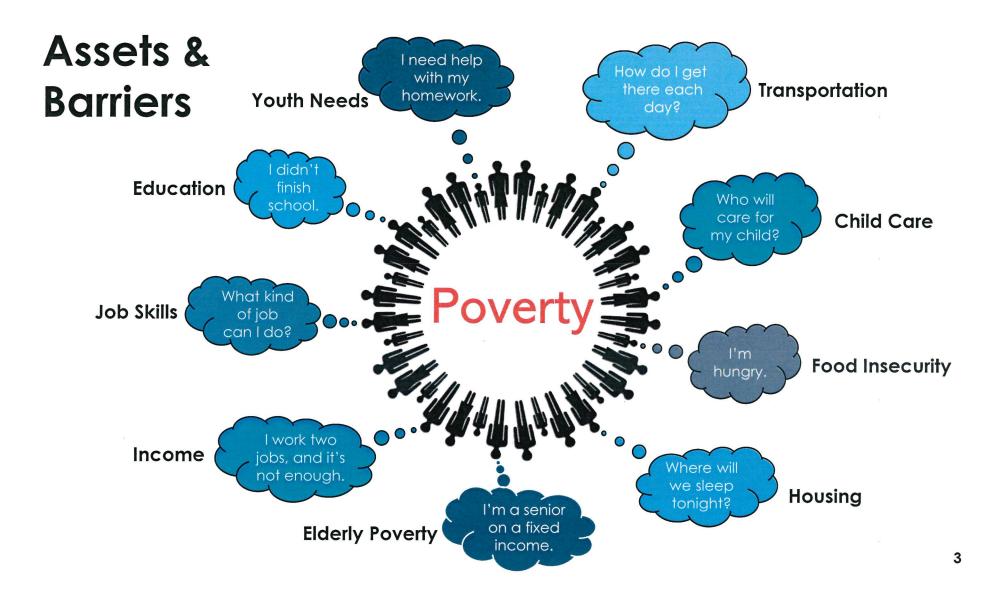
Presentation Overview

- Part One (Today)
 - City of Savannah Overview of Key Milestones
 - City Council 2021 Policy Document
- Part Two (Upcoming Workshop) Joint Session City Council, Chatham County Commission
 - Detailed data review facilitated by Family Connections

Focus: A "Deep Dive" into Family Needs and Barriers to Advancing Out of Poverty

Recommended Next Steps

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City Poverty Initiatives - Key Milestones

Traditional/Long-Term Programs and Services

Homeless Services

Housing Assistance (homeless services, home repair, home buying, etc.)

Human Services (recreation, community development, neighborhood outreach)

Infrastructure/Neighborhood Improvement

Savannah Entrepreneurial Center

Former Fire Station is repurposed into Savannah Entrepreneurial Center (1999)

Center funded via General Fund, EDA Loan, Section 108 Loan and CDBG

Focus: Micro/small business development, lending, low-mod income job creation/retention

Anti-Poverty Task Force

Mayor Floyd Adams appoints Task Force (2003)

Top Recommendation of City's 2003-2005 Housing and Community Development Plan

City Poverty Initiatives - Key Milestones

Step Up Collaborative

Anti-Poverty Task Force transitions to new, broader Step Up collaborative (2005) New collaborative formalizes City's commitment to poverty reduction

City's Social Service Grants

Poverty Reduction added to City's Social Services funding priorities (2007)

Moses Jackson Advancement Center

Use of City community center expands beyond recreation activities (2010)
Service model based on community feedback (youth, households, neighborhood leadership)
Provides a platform for where direct contacts can be made to family supports
Pennsylvania Avenue Resource Center – 2nd Location opens (2019)



- Established in 2005
- 39 Member Board of Directors
- City of Savannah funding for these programs currently represents
 17% of program revenue

DIRECT SERVICE PROGRAMS

AmeriCorps VISTA

Chatham Apprentice Program

Level Up: Financial Literacy and Resource Mapping

Neighborhood Leadership Program

Public Benefits Program

Working Families Network

Funding to Support Social Service Agencies 10 Year Totals

 Community Development Block Grant 	\$ 1,741,853
 Emergency Solutions Grant – Homeless Services 	\$ 3,820,618
 City 54 – Permanent Supportive Housing 	\$ 7,018,784
 Housing Opportunities for Persons Living With HIV/AIDS 	\$ 2,843,529

Social Service Agencies (Community Partnerships Program)* \$10,122,004

^{*} Non-competitive funding for social services "Outside Agencies" fully phased out in 2018, totaling a reduction of approximately \$963,710. (YFA, Step Up, NIA, CSAH)

City Supported Programs & Services

JOB TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT

- Chatham Apprentice Program Job Training Program
 Soft skills classes, job readiness support, TWIC assistance, forklift safety certification
- Goodwill Certified Hospitality Program Classroom & on-the-job hospitality training
- Job Training & Employment
 Assistance
 Pre employment support services and onsite interviews with local employers
- Culinary Training Programs
 Culinary arts training for entry level positions in food services

MICRO & SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

- Business Education Program
 Free in-person/online classes in business start up, marketing, access to capital, etc.
- Business Mentorship Program
 Partnership with SCORE and others, to provide one-on-one technical assistance for entrepreneurs
- Small Business Lending
 Seven loan programs to support micro
 and small business development and
 job creation for low-to-moderate
 income persons
- Local, Minority & Women-Owned Business Services. Services to help local businesses open, operate, grow





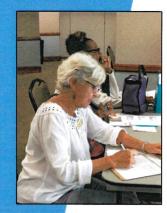
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HEALTH & WELFARE SERVICES

- Public Benefit Assistance Services
 Application consultation/filing assistance
 for SNAP, Medicaid and TANF benefits
- Educational Support Services
 GED classes, Starting Over at Learning, enrollment assistance
- Financial Supportive Service
 Rent/utility assistance, senior water services discount assistance
- Neighborhood-based Health Services
 Health screenings for the underserved
- Housing Services
 Homeless Assistance, Home Repair,
 Down Payment Assistance, Gap
 Financing, Single & Multi-Family Housing

YOUTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Youth Development Programs
 21st Century Leaders, Savannah
 Youth Council, Savannah Youth
 Ambassadors, youth work readiness
- After School Programs
 Homework assistance, enrichment activities and meals
- Neighborhood Support
 Leadership training & capacity building, Outreach Coordinators,
 neighborhood projects, family
 assistance
- Senior Support Services
 Senior programs, congregate meals, elderly & disabled home repairs and code compliance assistance





City Supported Partnerships

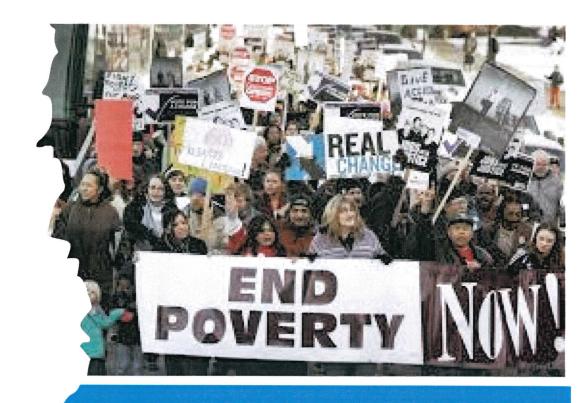
American Red Cross
America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia
Beyond The Bell
Chatham Savannah Authority for the Homeless
Coastal Children's Advocacy Center
Coastal Georgia Council, Boy Scouts of America
Consumer Credit Counseling Services

Court Appointed Special Advocates CrimeStoppers Eastside Concerned Citizens Economic Opportunity Authority Family Promise Forsyth Farmers' Market Frank Callen Boys & Girls Clubs

George Leile Visions/First African Baptist Church Georgia Legal Services Program Greenbriar Children's Center Inner City Night Shelter LIFE Loop It Up MedBank Foundation Mediation Center
Mercy Housing Southeast
Neighborhood Improvement Association
Parent University/CUSI
Park Place Outreach
Rape Crisis Center
ReNForce

Royce Learning Center
Safety Net
Salvation Army
Savannah Center for Blind and Low Vision
Savannah Country Day School
Savannah Youth City
Senior Citizens

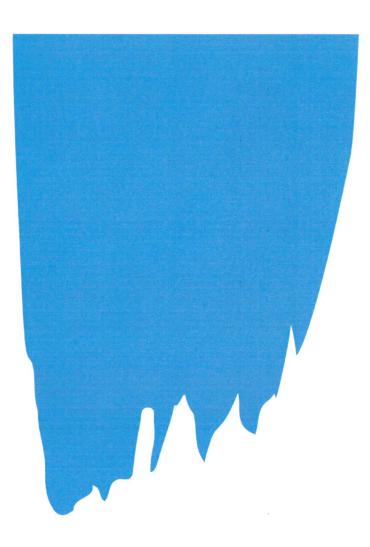
Small Business Assistance Corporation Social Apostolate of Savannah Step Up Savannah The Creative Coast Union Mission United Ministries of Savannah: Emmaus House West Broad Street YMCA 2021 Budget Policy Document



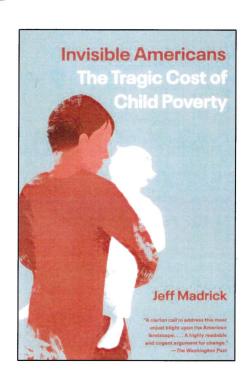
Where We Are Headed

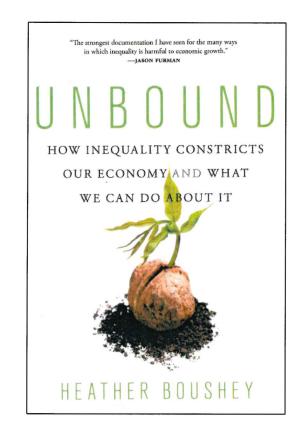
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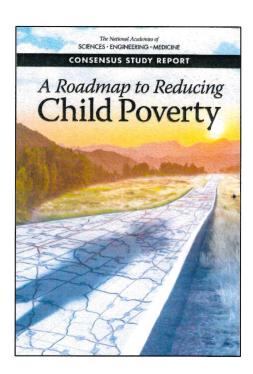
- 1. Poverty And Children
- 2. Income Inequality
- 3. Violent Crimes Including Homicides & Gun Offenses
- 4. Affordable Housing
- 5. Blight Eradication



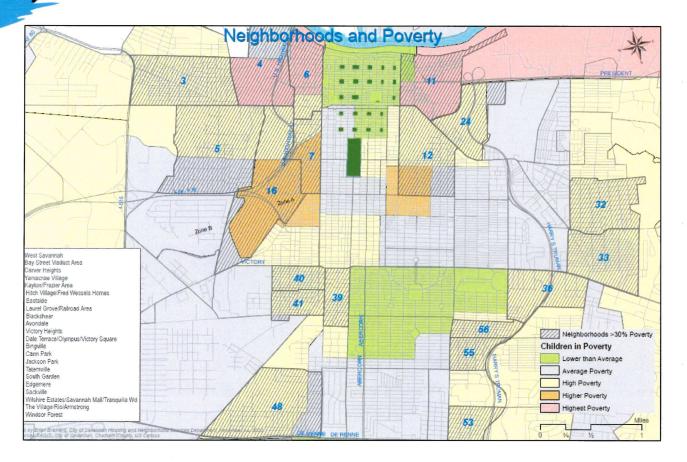
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Poverty and Children



How do we maximize our effectiveness?

Asset Building Model

- Focus on the most at-risk youth and families
- Dig deeper into family needs
- Identify the barriers that keep families in poverty
- Develop a specific strategy to address individual needs, build assets, and move families out of poverty

Who (Partners)

- Government
- Education System
- Public Housing
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Businesses
- Transportation System

The End Game

Until we get 100% of working families...











In Safe, Affordable Housing

Food Secure Graduating from School

Competitive Job Skills

Earning Equitable Income

...the work continues.

Upcoming Workshop Poverty Discussion: Part Two

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Thank you