State Association/CSBG State Office CARES Spending

READINESS
RAPID RESPONSE
RECOVERY
RESILIENCE

Conversation with
OCS and the
National Partners
Thursday April 14, 2022

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Community Action Program Legal Services, Inc.

NASCSP
National Association For State Community Services Programs

NCAF

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The Promise of Community Action

Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.



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Purpose of CSBG CARES



To Prevent



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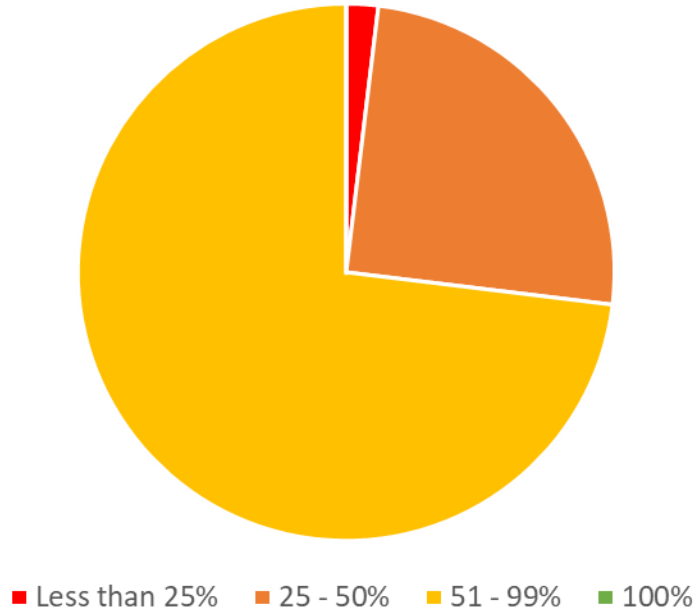
Respond to COVID-19

***Includes: addressing the consequences of increasing unemployment and economic disruption as a result of COVID-19.

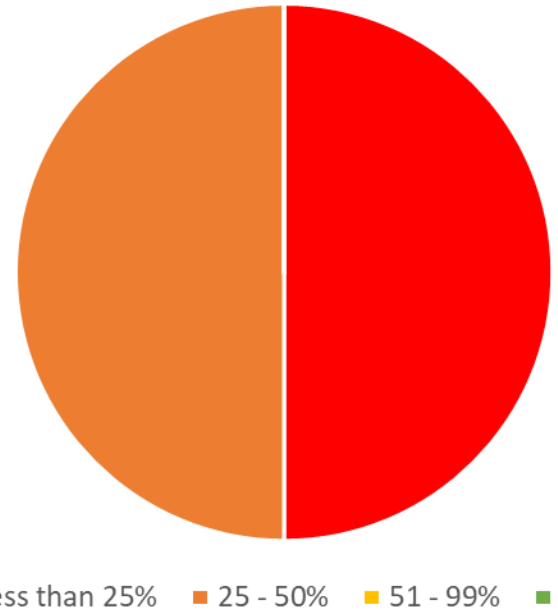
CSBG CARES Supplemental Funding

Spending Analysis

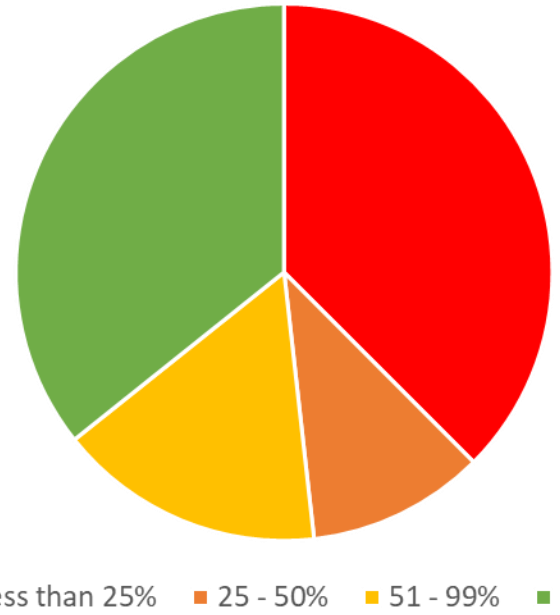
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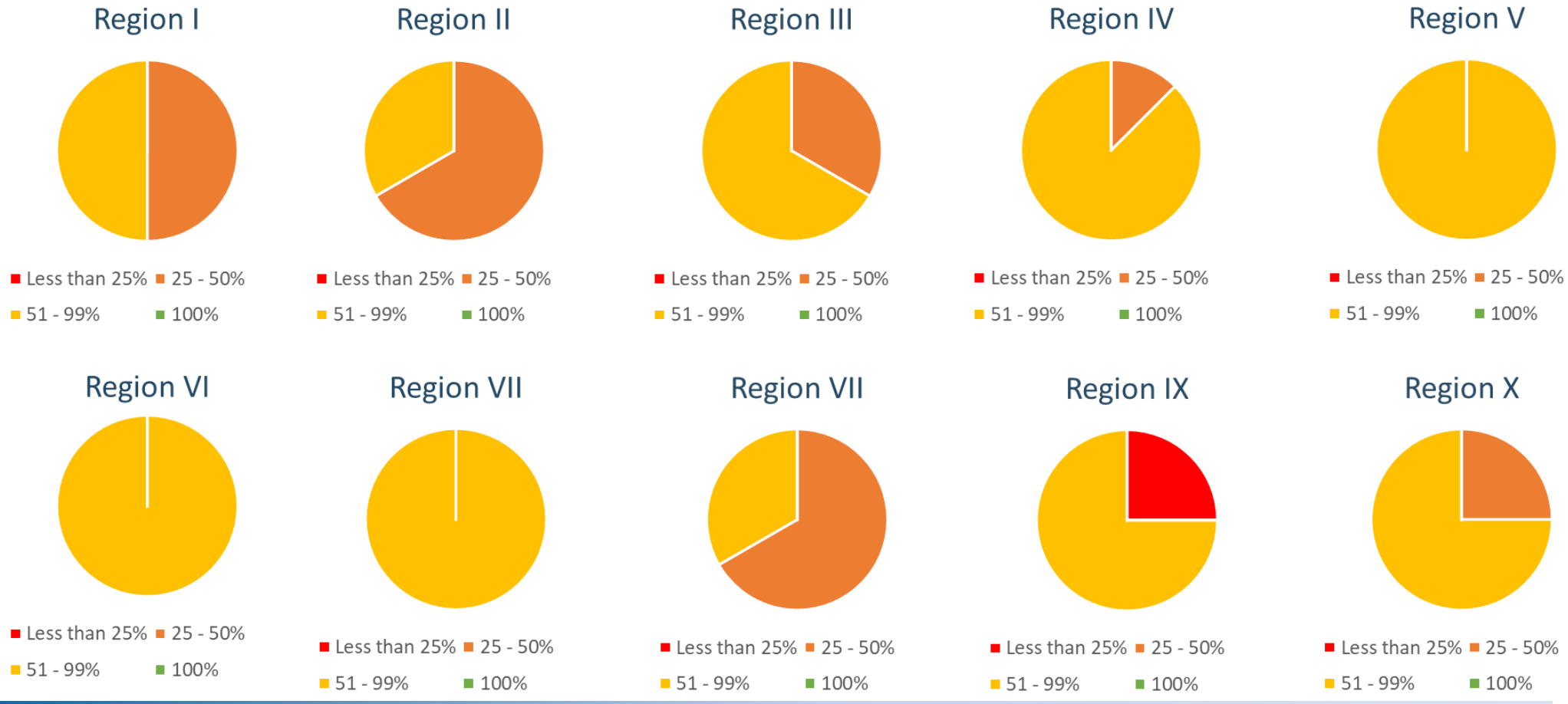
Tribes and Tribal Organizations



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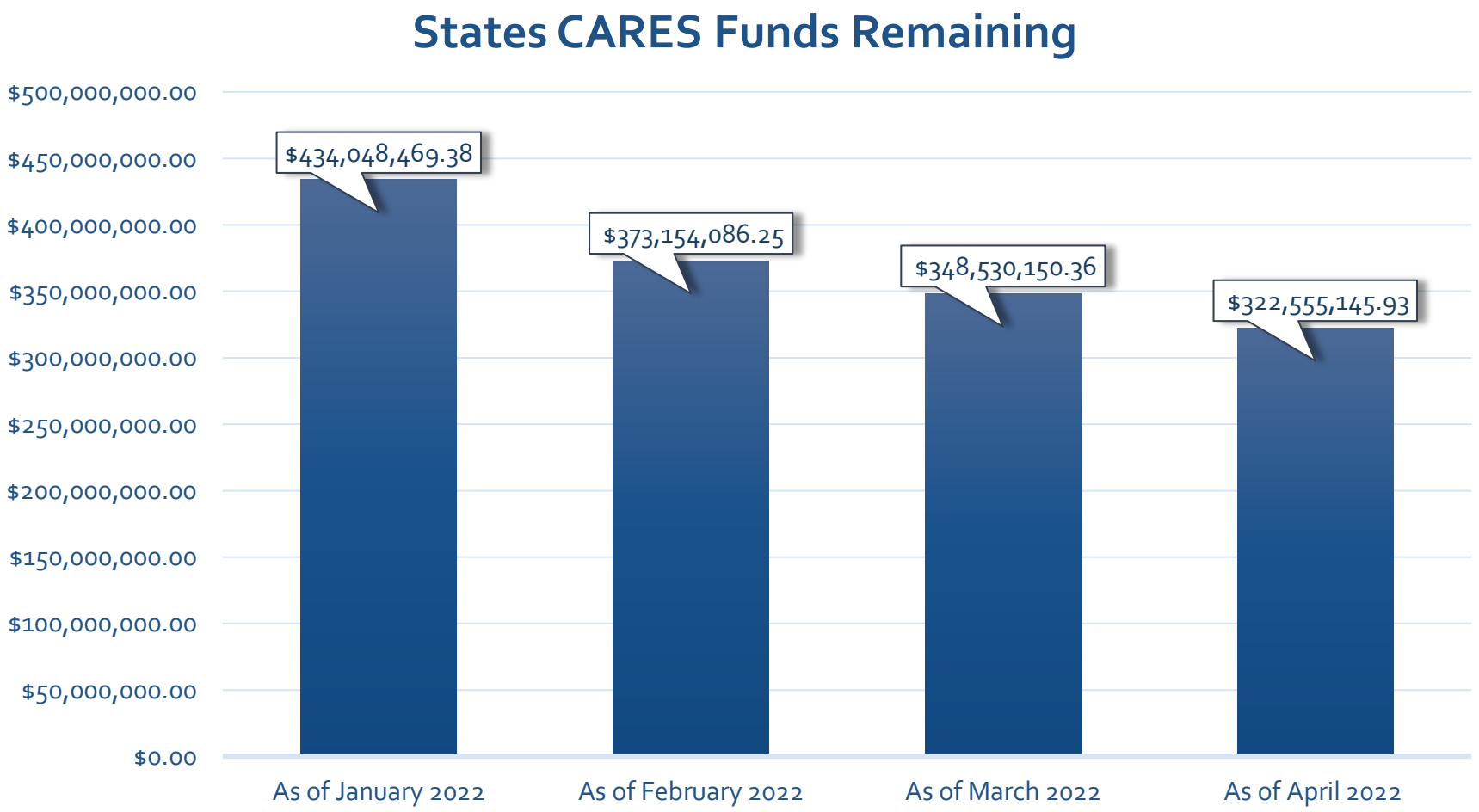
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Spending Analysis by Region



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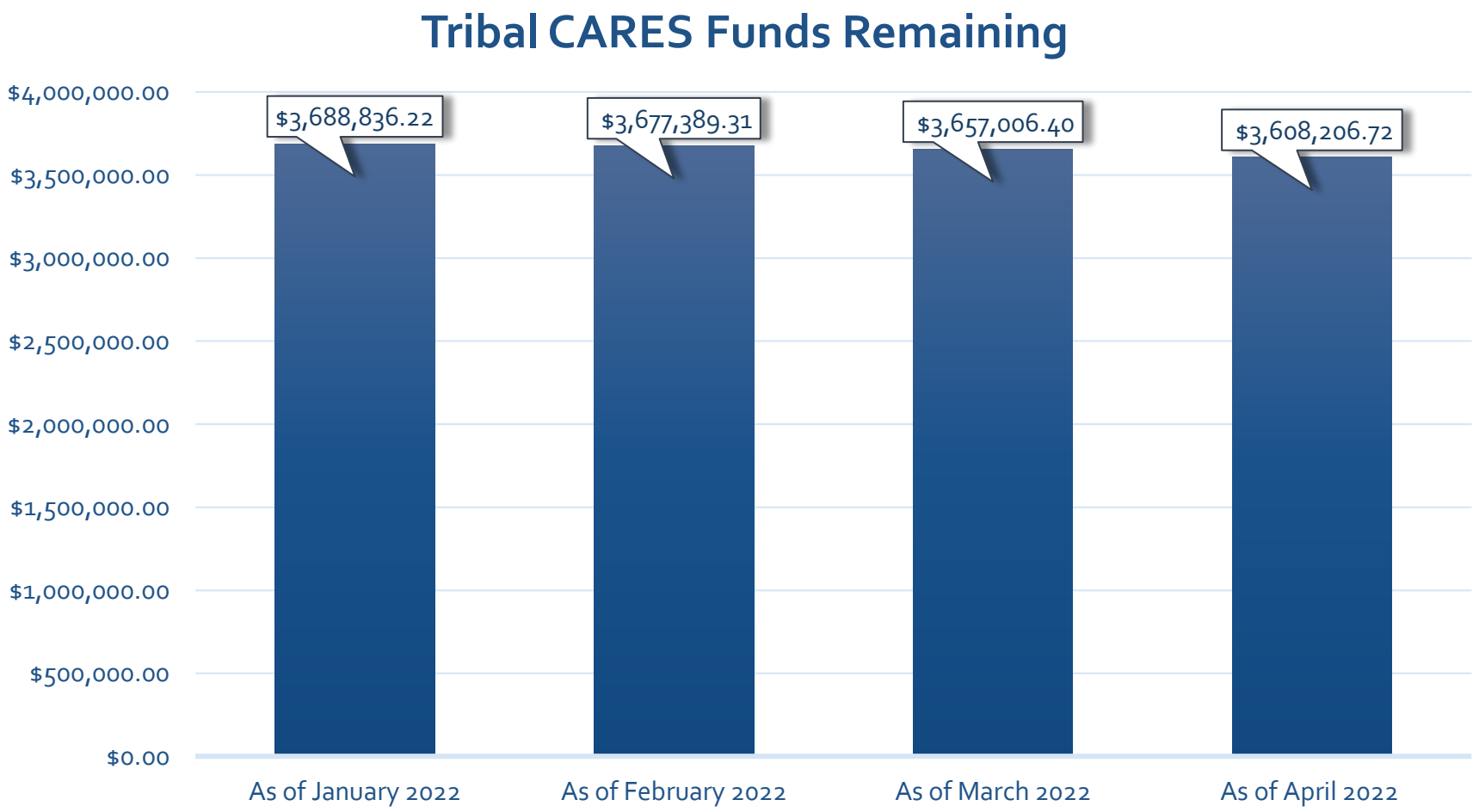
Moving in the Right Direction…



Amount Disbursed January through April, 2022: $111,793,323.45 (11%)

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More Work to be Done…



Amount Disbursed January through April, 2022: $80,629.50 (1%)

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Why Should We Care About CARES?

- Family, Agency, Community Needs Still Exist
  - Disruptions and economic instability caused by the COVID-19 pandemic persist
  - Eliminating poverty and uplifting communities is paramount to the CSBG mission
- CSBG CARES is an Opportunity to Demonstrate our Value
  - Spending the money reinforces....Community Action is a winning issue
  - We will be emboldened to respond to the next crisis
- Reauthorization



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We All Have a Role to Play

- Role of the Office of Community Services (OCS)
- National Partners
- Role of the State Associations
- Role of State Offices
- Role of Local CAAs



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Top Ten Spending Ideas

#10 Customers

- Food
- Transportation-gas, car repairs
- School supplies





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Top Ten Spending Ideas

#9 Children and Youth Activities





- Scholarships for activities
- Summer learning program
- Childcare expenses
- Work with library and provide staff for a summer reading program
- Supplement a summer feeding program- wrap around services

Top Ten Spending Ideas

#8 Health

- Vaccination
- Wellness visits
- Co-pays
- Dental
- Vision
- Mental health-kids & adults
- Burial expenses



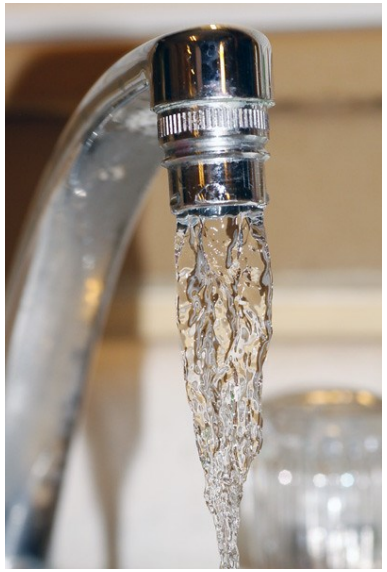


Top Ten Spending Ideas

#7 Housing



- Eviction protection
- Rent assistance
- Water, utility payments



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Top Ten Spending Ideas

#6 Technology

- Agency upgrades-improved website, document scan, phone system
- Customer upgrades-online food pantry, online applications
- Community partner needs
- Technology for customers



Top Ten Spending Ideas



#5 Customer Engagement*

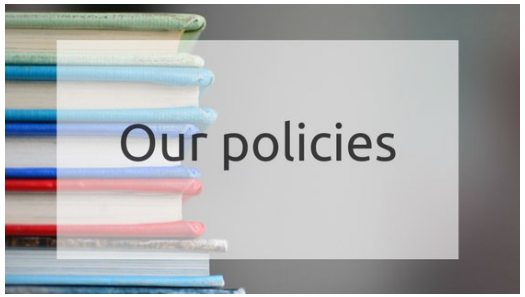
- Focus groups-assess needs as emerge from pandemic (pay customers for expertise/employee or independent contractor)
- Door to door campaign in the community (pay customers to do the surveying/employee or independent contractor)
- Establish robust customer advisory group (pay for customer expertise)
- Customer Leadership Training Program (e.g., Step up to Leadership

*Operational due diligence

Top Ten Spending Ideas

#4 CAA Capacity

- Training /Leadership (executive coaching, motivational interviewing, coaching, CCAP)
- Support (counseling for staff)
- Trauma informed practices for staff
- Employee benefits/retaining employees
- CAA preparedness/upgrading policies and procedures
- Increase recruitment strategies/marketing



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Top Ten Spending Ideas

#3 Small Business Support

- Provide PPE to childcare centers/homes
- Providing coaching to low-income entrepreneurs and mentorship programs



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Top Ten Spending Ideas

#2 Job Training



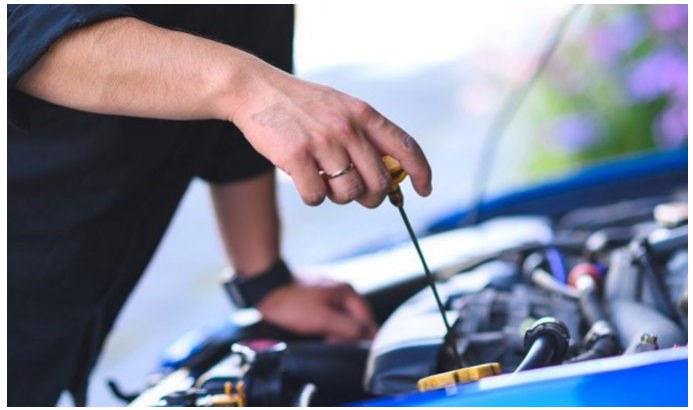
- Pay enrollment fees for training
- Partner with an organization to do a summer apprenticeship program at CAA
- WAP or Early Care and Education Career Path Project - partner with community college, pay stipends to attendees, pay OJT, hire participants*

*Operational due diligence

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Top Ten Spending Ideas

#1 Pop Up events



- Food
- Diapers
- School preparation
- Gas cards
- Vehicle repair





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What Do You Need?

CAPLAW Guidance?



T & TA with NCAP & NASCSP?

Additional Information from OCS?

CARES CSBG Spending Office Hours

April 18, 2022

3:00 ET/2:00 CT/1:00 MT/12:00 PT

Register:

https://communityactionpartnership.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUrdu-hrDorHNNwEgrQeJzamdmfDMUU4Hh5

April 25, 2022

3:00 ET/2:00 CT/1:00 MT/12:00 PT

Register:

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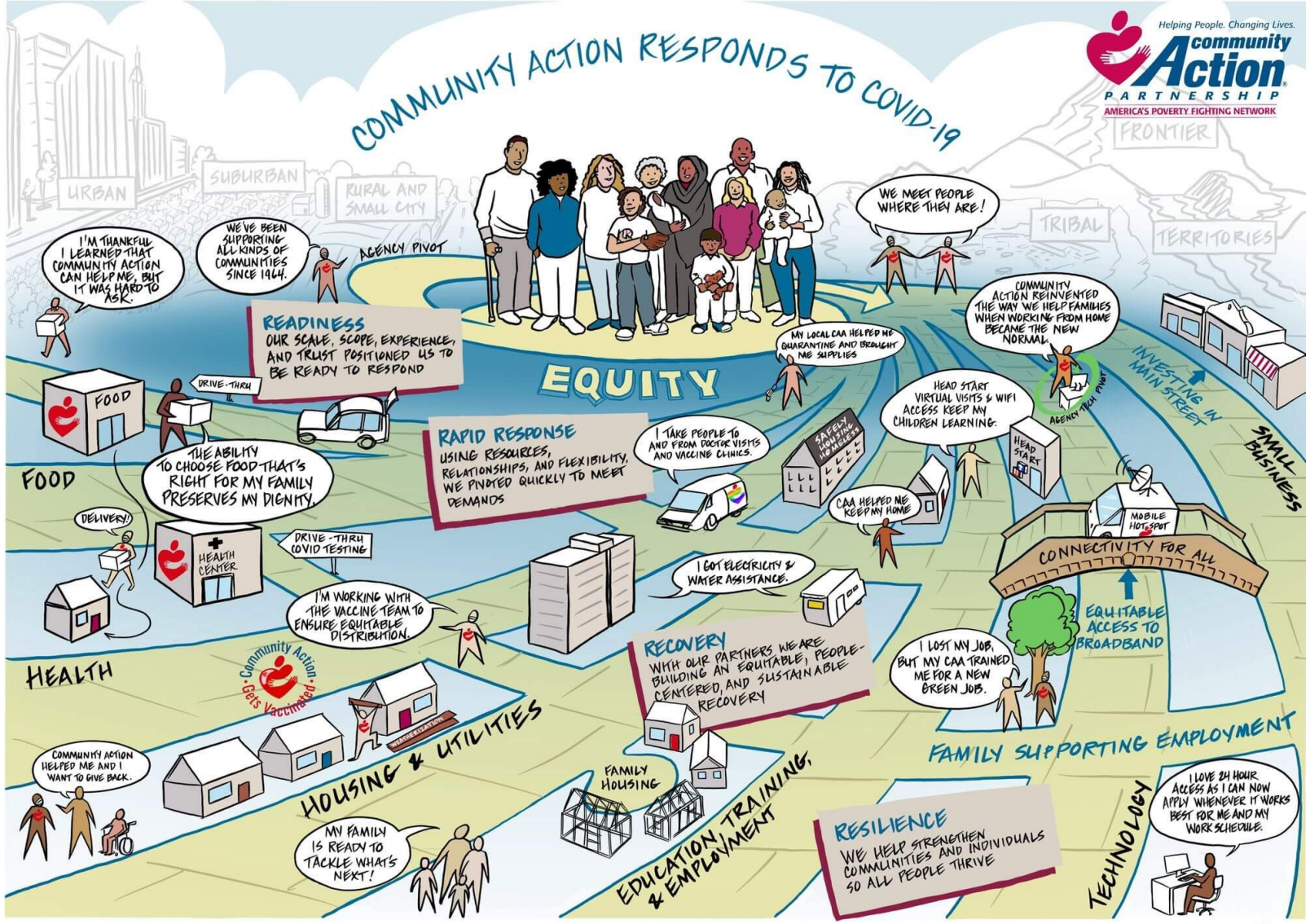
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