




National
Community
Development
Week
April 11 – 15, 2022

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History

Originating in 1986, the National Community Development Week was created to bring national attention to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program through grassroots support at a time when the program was facing scrutiny by Congress. Grassroots support means activities by state and local CDBG grantees to recognize the program, showcase projects, and share program impact data with Congress. It provides the opportunity for communities to promote, educate, and advocate on behalf of the program.



Our Partners

Community Development Block Grant funds are allocated to agencies throughout the Macon-Bibb County Community following an application process. These funds are distributed to those agencies who partner with the Economic Community Development Department to offer programs in order to provide decent, safe and affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities for low and moderate income people. Some of our partners are:

Big Brothers
Big Sisters of
the Heart of
GA, Inc.

WE'RE DRAFTING THE
NEXT GENERATION OF

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THE BIG DRAFT
2022



Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Heart of GA, Inc.

Big Brothers Big Sisters provides mentoring program services to at-risk youth of Bibb County. Youth will be matched with a mentor. Mentoring takes place by meeting one on one or in a virtual environment several hours each month until it is safe to meet in person. BBBS also provides enrichment activities in-person or virtually for adults and youth to participate in, including program supporting financial health, job search and career options, mental health, and educational support.



Crisis Line and Safe House of Central Georgia



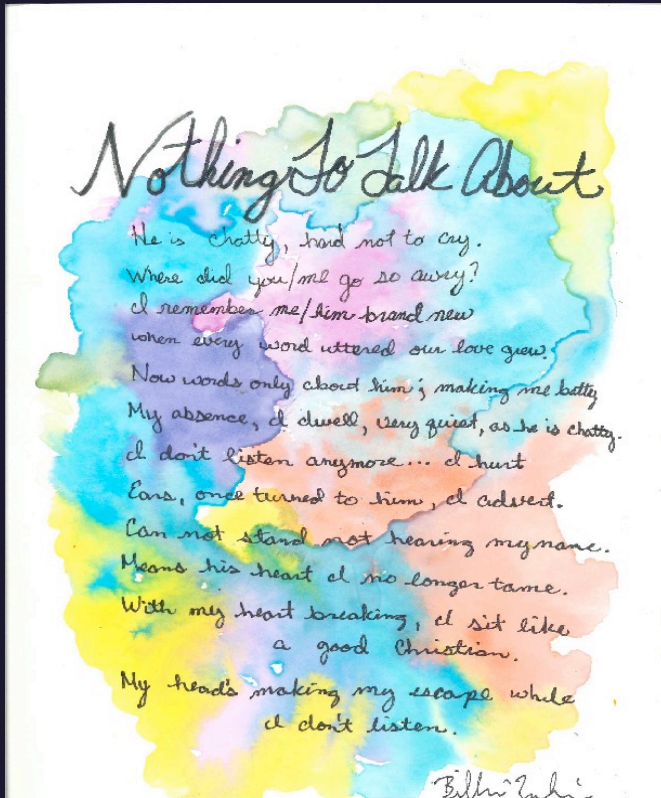
Crisis Line and Safe House of Central Georgia, Inc.

Crisis Line and Safe House provides shelter services to persons/families involved in a domestic violence situation with a 12-month period, along with comprehensive service. Low-income persons/families involved in domestic abuse enter this program through the 24-Hour crisis line. Eligible participants reside at the shelter or local site and participate in onsite case management. Services are administered within an undisclosed location for the safety of the domestic violence victims. Service are comprised of case management, advocacy, meals, clothing, transportation, therapy, linkage to resources for self-sufficiency, and other services needed to stabilize the client/family.

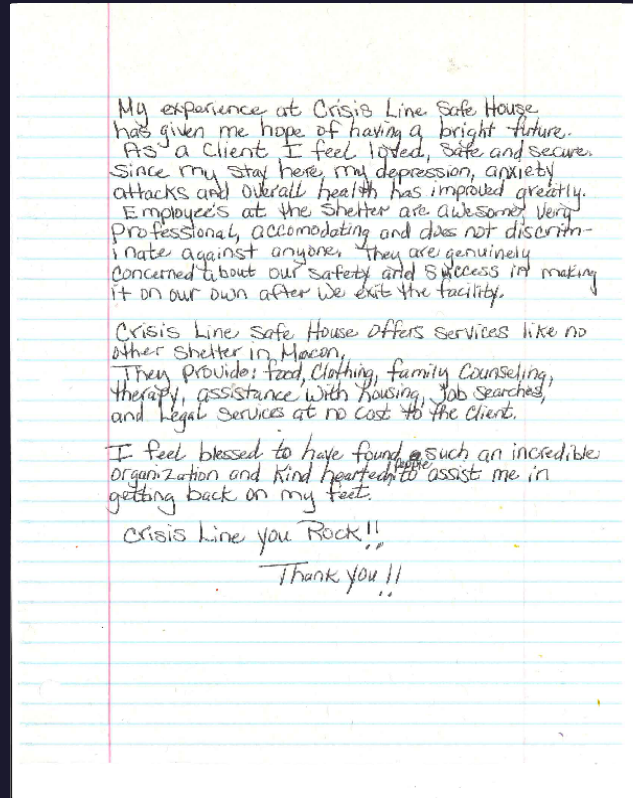


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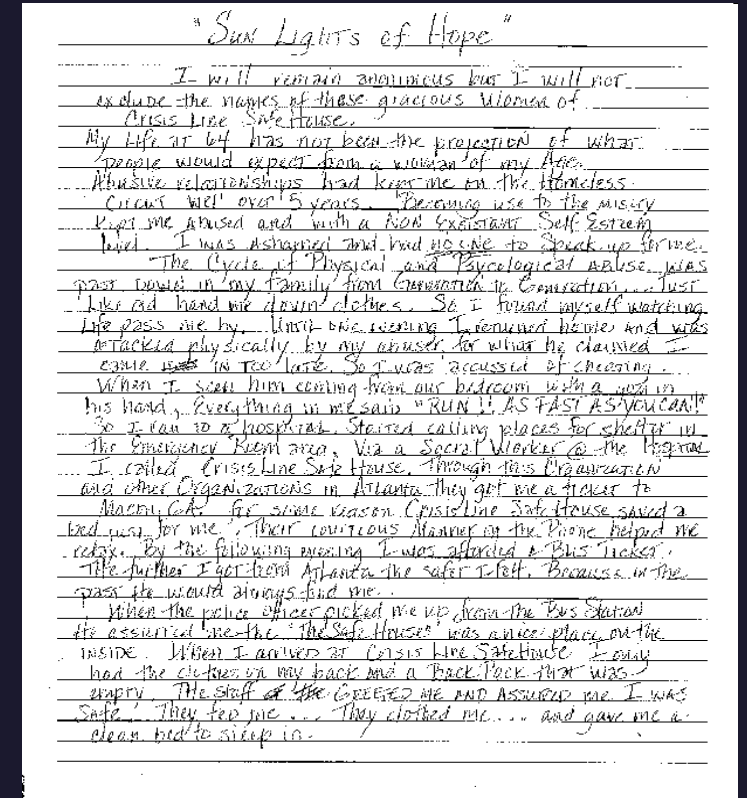
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SUN LIGHTS OF HOPE



Crisis Line & Safe House
**SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH**
APRIL EVENTS



APRIL IS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH



06 1-4pm: Thomas Library (Fort Valley)
2-6pm: Mulberry Market (Macon)

07 11am-1pm: Wesleyan College Health Fair (Macon)
2-4pm: Byron Public Library (Byron)

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28 9am-12pm: Veterans Affairs (Macon)
2-4pm: Byron Public Library (Byron)
6-8:30pm: Women Warrior's Book Club

For more information:
478-745-9292 or www.cl-sh.org

Family Advancement Ministries(FAM)



FAM provides car seats along with the training for installation and proper use for low-income families with young children in Macon-Bibb County. Program benefits low to moderate income families with young children by distributing children's car seats providing them with a safe environment while traveling enhancing compliance with GA Public Safety laws regarding car seat usage. This program addresses keeping children safe in cars and enabling parents to safely transport their children to daycare as they work, seek employment or attend school or training sessions.



Family Counseling

CENTER OF CENTRAL GEORGIA

Family Counseling
Center of Central GA,
Inc.(FCC)

The Family Counseling Center CDBG program provides counseling and therapeutic programs and make referrals to other appropriate resources to help low-income families and neighborhoods deal with complex issues. The program of service addresses issues such as crime prevention, homeless services, creating suitable living environments, and creating economic opportunities and neighborhood organization through a referral “wrap-around” resource.

HomeFirst Housing Resource Services



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- HomeFirst provides homeownership counseling, foreclosure counseling, homebuyer education, linkage to mortgage products and the ability to strengthen personal finances. Services are designed to target low to moderate income residents within Macon-Bibb County and assist in teaching the necessary steps required to obtain and maintain a home.
- Agency provides quarterly Homebuyer Education Workshops, Public Service Announcements through various media outlets, distribute flyers through area partners, allow for one-on-one counseling steps, and provides information through various community activities and other housing programs.

Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council Dental Program

Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council provides dental services for homeless clients to include screenings, extractions, filings, cleanings, partials, and dentures. The objective is to assist homeless clients of Macon-Bibb County with good dental hygiene.



Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council Transportation Program



Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council provides a transportation program for the homeless community of Macon-Bibb County. Program is designed to assist homeless clients who lack resources for transportation for employment, medical and housing appointments.

The Mentor's Project works with middle and high school students from grades 7-12. The Project provides the students with academic tools and life skills that are needed to complete high school, college, post-secondary schooling, Armed Forces and entering the world of work.

Each student is paired with a positive mentor from the community that provides support, counsel, friendship, and reinforcement.



**The Mentor's Project
of Bibb County**

Upcoming Mentor's Project -Spring and Summer Events



- **May 5th** – 6:00 PM – Achievement Banquet – Vineville Baptist Church
- **June 6th -16th** – 8:00 AM - Academic Summer Program – Ballard
- **June 23rd** – 6:30 AM – College Tour
- **June 30th** – 6:30 AM – College Tour
- **July 7th** – 6:30 AM – GIRLS REAL RAP
- **July 14th** – 6:30 AM – Street Knowledge
- **July 29th** – 8:00 AM - Back to School Bash – Ed Defore Sports Complex (tentative)



MINOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

VOLUNTEER YOUTH



Rebuilding Macon Minor Home Repair Program

Rebuilding Macon organizes and directs the efforts of 2000+ volunteers to repair the homes of low-income elderly and disabled homeowners in Macon-Bibb County. All eligible homes are inspected and a determination is made as to which repairs are needed on the home. A team with the needed skills is assembled to make the repairs.

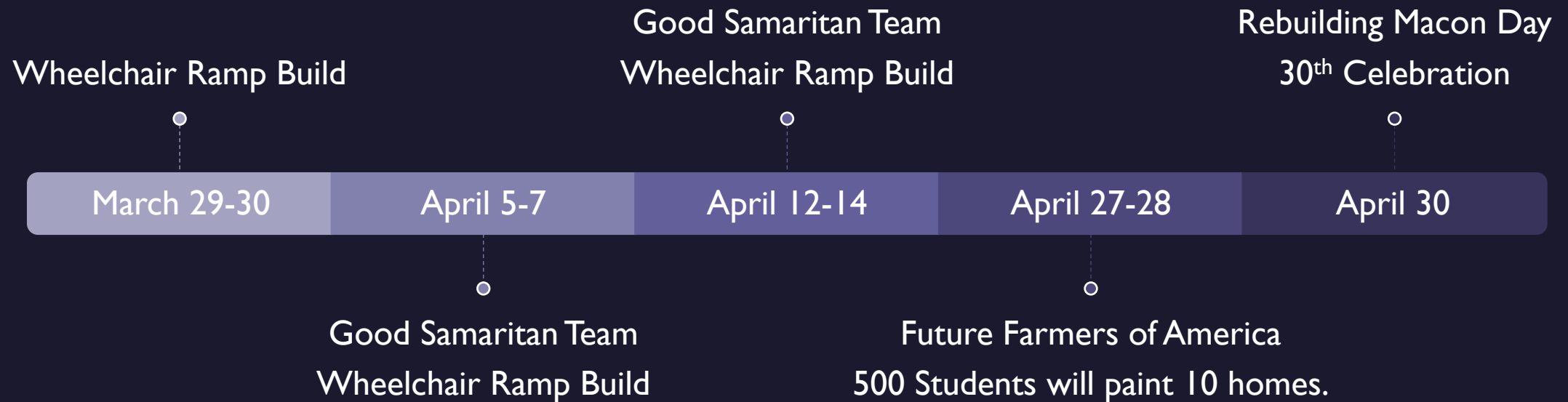


Rebuilding Macon Volunteer Youth Program

Rebuilding Macon organizes and directs the volunteer efforts of high school and college students to repair homes of low-income elderly and disabled homeowners in Macon-Bibb County. Local high school students usually volunteer each fall and spring semester. College teams travel to Macon, GA in December and March for Alternative Community Services. In June and July, high school aged students attend summer camps in the area and assist in the program. All eligible homes are inspected and a determination is made as to which repairs are needed on the home. A team with the needed skills is assembled to make the repairs.



Rebuilding Macon Events - 2022





● CDBG Partners Announcements/Events

- Central Georgia Technical College(CGTC) Training for Small Businesses-April 18th,19th, and 20th. Call 478-757-3400 for info.
- CGTC Titan's Closet – Clothing Drive –April 29 Call 478-757-3400 for additional information.
- HomeFirst First Time Homebuyer's Workshops – April 30, 2022, June 18, 2022. Call 478-219-3957 for more information.

Additional Agencies Who Received CDBG Funds

CDBG REPROGRAMMED FUNDS

- Central GA Scouts
- Central Georgia Technical College
- Field of Hope
- River Edge Foundation Corporation

CDBG-CV FUNDS(COVID ASSISTANCE)

- MBCEOC Hotel/Motel Program
- Family Advancement Ministries Childcare Program
- Meals on Wheels
- Men About Change

National Community Development Week

The objective of National Community Development Week is to educate Congressional Members and the community on the importance of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Program, its impact on the community, and the need for increased program funding. National Community Development Week provides a perfect forum to cement the importance of CDBG in the minds of those in Washington to increase program funding.



Thank You

For questions about the Community Development Block Grant Program, please contact the Macon-Bibb County Economic and Community Development Department at (478) 751-7190.

