

ABOUT CAPNM

Community Action Partnership of Northwest Montana (CAPNM) has been helping people, improving lives and strengthening communities since 1976.

CAPNM provides social services and advocacy together with local partners to alleviate poverty, improve lives and strengthen communities in Flathead, Lake, Lincoln and Sanders counties.

CAPNM has grown to include programs in five main areas: housing, energy assistance, weatherization, education and training, and financial capability/asset development. These programs are bundled to produce maximum results in the lives of those served.

CAPNM serves Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, and Sanders Counties and covers a geographic area of 13,375 miles with total population of over 167,500.

While this brochure shares many of the programming options available, many more services are offered. For more information, please visit us online or contact us.



For more information about any of our services, please contact one of the following offices or visit our website at www.capnm.net.

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"Housing counseling services are in partnership with NeighborWorks Montana."

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(406) 752-6565



Housing Programs

EMERGENCY HOUSING*

Homeless Prevention

Provides assistance to eligible households that are at-risk of becoming unhoused with no other options in order for them to maintain current or obtain new housing. At times, assistance includes rental arrears, deposits and short-term rent.

Rapid Rehousing

Provides services to households that are fleeing domestic violence or unhoused to move as quickly as possible into permanent, stable housing.

Permanent Supportive

Provides ongoing, safe, appropriate and affordable housing through rental assistance and supportive services to individuals who have a disabling condition and have been unhoused for at least a year (chronically homeless).

Youth Permanent Supportive

Assists adults between 18 to 24 years old who are chronically homeless in obtaining long-term housing with ongoing supportive services.

**All programs follow Housing First standards.*

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Community Action strives to preserve existing affordable housing within our service area and to increase affordable inventory when able. CAPNM owns multiple apartment complexes that are primarily designated for seniors and those with disabling conditions, although the agency does assist with multi-family housing units as well. The rent limits are well regulated and maintainable for tenants. All complexes are managed by a third-party management firm who process all applications, lease-ups and maintenance of waiting lists.

LOW INCOME HOUSING

Housing Choice Rental Voucher Program (Section 8)

Section 8 assists low-income households to afford safe and sanitary housing in the private market where participants are able to find their own housing.

Asset Development

Renting Wise

Help renters get into and maintain decent and affordable housing; a great opportunity to become a more educated tenant.

Homebuyer Education

Offered to give homebuyers the information they need to find, purchase and maintain a home.



Housing Counseling

Assists individuals in determining whether or not homeownership is right for them.

Foreclosure Intervention

Helping clients navigate through the foreclosure process, including loss mitigation avoiding foreclosure, crisis budgeting, and transitioning to a new home if necessary.

Affordable Connectivity Program

A federal benefit program that aims to connect individuals by providing eligible households with a discount of \$30/month toward their home internet bill.

Energy Programs

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Assists eligible low-income households by paying a portion of their winter heating costs. LIHEAP works with local utilities to provide additional discounts to their customers.

Weatherization

Helps LIHEAP-approved households improve the overall efficiency of their homes which reduces energy consumption. Households are prioritized by annual income and energy usage.

Energy Share of Montana

Assists households with emergency energy needs such as a past due/disconnect notice for electric or natural gas or almost out of wood, propane, or oil. Energy Share may also assist with a deposit to establish an electric or natural gas account.

Employment and Training

TANF Pathways Program

TANF Pathways is a referral program that provides intensive case management focused on financial freedom, informed choice and eventual independence from Public Assistance programs. Supportive service assistance may be available to aide in Pathways participation and employment related needs.

SNAP E&T Program

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment & Training is a referral program through the Office of Public Assistance that can help with the cost of short-term job training for those receiving SNAP benefits. Helping clients use their personal strengths to find a job.