

Tompkins Community Action

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What is Community Action?

Tompkins Community Action is a Community Action Agency (CAA). CAAs are federally designated as the front-line resource for people living in poverty. CAAs are leaders in promoting community economic development through community partnerships and inter-agency collaborations.

There are CAAs across the nation. Check out the [National Community Action Partnership](#) website for more information.

We have many CAAs across New York State. Check out the [New York State Community Action Association](#) website for more information.



TCAction is the CAA for Tompkins County. We respond to changing community needs based on regular needs assessments.

Check out www.tcaction.org for more information on our history and program opportunities.

We Are Hiring!

Do you have employment goals that include wanting to help others and make a difference in the community? TCAction partners with people experiencing the impacts of poverty to improve access to services and opportunities.

TCAction pays a living wage & offers benefits that include paid time off, Employee Assistance Program (EAP), Flexible Spending Account (FSA), Retirement 403(b), Life Insurance, and Health & Dental Insurance.

Check out the following positions available at this time below.



Housing Services

Resident Program Coordinator

The Resident Program Coordinator provides support for service delivery activities, coordinating outreach and enrollment, and reporting for Supportive Housing Programs. This position is responsible for distributing program information to community partners, hosting community partners at program events, and completing intake and enrollment activities for new residents. Responsibilities include identifying program needs, coordinating community resources and supporting move in activities at permanent supportive housing sites.

Supportive Housing Coordinator

The Supportive Housing Coordinator is responsible for providing case management services to an assigned group of residents living in permanent supportive housing. This position provides strength-based, integrated services to support resident goals and program plans that support housing stability and building self-sufficiency skills in coordination with community service providers. Responsibilities include responding to crisis situations, working closely with residents to create and support goal plans.



Family Services

Center Manager

The Center Manager is responsible for ensuring the quality of daily program delivery as well as compliance with Head Start Program Performance Standards, regulatory guidelines and TCAction policies and procedures at a Head Start Center. This position is responsible for supervising staff, creating program delivery and monitoring plans to ensure program goals are met. Responsibilities include supervision, submission of reports, and participating in the delivery of program services at the assigned center.

Early Head Start Teacher

The Early Head Start Teacher is responsible for implementing an Early Head Start classroom education program for children 6 weeks to 3 years. This position includes establishing daily routine and appropriate transitions, implementing adopted curriculums to encourage active exploration, physical, cognitive, and social/emotional development. This position establishes and ensures nurturing and responsive practices, interactions, and environments that foster trust and emotional security for children. This includes implementing program plans that support School

Readiness and Family Engagement framework outcomes and provide quality, integrated service delivery to children and their families at classroom sites throughout Tompkins County.

Pre-School/Head Start Teacher

The Pre-school/Head Start Teacher is responsible for implementing a Head Start classroom education program for children 3 to 5 years including. This includes establishing daily routine and appropriate transitions, implementing adopted curriculums to encourage active exploration, physical, cognitive, and social/emotional development. This position establishes and ensures nurturing and responsive practices, interactions, and environments that foster trust and emotional security for children. This includes implementing program plans that support School Readiness and Family Engagement framework outcomes and provide quality, integrated service delivery to children and their families at classroom sites throughout Tompkins County.

Classroom Assistant

The Classroom Assistant is responsible to support service delivery at program sites, in varying county locations based on coverage needs, providing assistance to classrooms in promoting children's social and emotional development as well as health and safety, as defined in daily lesson plans. Responsibilities include assisting children ages 6 weeks to 5 years with child hygiene, supporting children during play and activities, food service delivery, and data reporting tracking.

Teacher Assistant

The Teacher Assistant, in coordination with the Teacher, is responsible for implementing a Head Start classroom education program for children 3 to 5 years. This position includes implementing a daily routine with appropriate transitions, utilizing lesson and classroom plans that encourage active exploration, physical, cognitive and social/emotional development. Responsibilities include nurturing and responsive practices, interactions, and environments that foster trust and emotional security for children. This includes implementation of program plan goals that support School Readiness and Family Engagement framework outcomes and provide quality, integrated service delivery to children and their families at classroom sites throughout Tompkins County.

TCAction is a non-profit employer, many staff use their work experience to qualify for a Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program.

Interested in learning more about these positions?

[Click Here](#)

Community Partner Spotlight

**Family Reading Partnership (FPR)
connects families with young**



Family Reading Partnership

children to the joy of books and read-aloud experiences to expand their horizons. For 25 years, FRP has been giving away books to children throughout Tompkins County!

They have just opened a free family play area, The Nook, at The Shops at Ithaca Mall. This space is designed for caregivers with infants and children under 6 years old to talk, sing, read, and play together to build their early literacy skills. Through imaginative play with a wide variety of materials, children and their adults can enjoy this welcoming place to explore.

Each child is invited to take up to two books home every time they visit, free to keep and love or bring back to be shared again!

The
Nook
at Family Reading Partnership



Family Reading Partnership also brings you Books to Grow On at the Doctor's office, over 50 Bright Red Bookshelves, and 7 Story Walks open year-round for new adventures in every season!

Visit their website and social media to find out more! www.familyreading.org

Important Dates

TCAction programs and offices will be closed on:
February 20

Our Mission:
***Tompkins Community Action collaborates
with individuals and organizations to
sustain and improve economic opportunity
and social justice for families and
individuals impacted directly or indirectly
by poverty.***

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