

C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation

2017 Annual Board Meeting Program

Educate, Empower, and Improve

52nd Anniversary



ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, August 3, 2017
Effingham Event Center
Effingham, Illinois

Educate, Empower, and Improve



Kevin Bushur, Chief Executive Officer

Welcome to the 52nd C.E.F.S. Board of Directors annual board meeting where tonight we highlight the success stories of C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation and our involvement in **Helping People and Changing Lives**.

This year, C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation worked hard to achieve our mission of **providing opportunities for people through education and support to achieve and maintain self-sufficiency**. We remain focused on **educating people, empowering people to achieve self-sufficiency, and improving their lives**. We know that with guidance, **education**, training, and **empowerment**, we can **improve** the lives of individuals and families and help them reach the desired goal of achieving economic self-sufficiency.

Tonight, we are proud to share the accomplishments of people who achieved individual successes and the employees, volunteers, and community partners who have dedicated themselves to **Helping People, Changing Lives** in 2017. This year the agency has fulfilled 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."

We recognize that the **Promise of Community Action** has been kept when we celebrate the **family of distinction** who has actively pursued or achieved self-sufficiency, the individual **personal achievements** of people who achieved success, the recognition of **outstanding volunteers** who made a difference, the recognition of community partners who enhanced the excellence of **community service**, and the **lifetime achievements** of people who served for many years and filled leadership roles to help people and change lives. Tonight, we share with you the many faces of people who have made a difference and the agency accomplishments of helping people to help themselves and each other.

Thank you for attending. Tonight, **enjoy** the evening, **celebrate** the accomplishment of the many people that have worked hard in reaching their desired goals, **praise** the many volunteers and hours of service they have given to **Helping People, Changing Lives**, and **appreciate** the hard work and dedication the employees give daily by **educating people, empowering people to achieve self-sufficiency, and improving lives**.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kevin Bushur in blue ink.

Kevin Bushur
Chief Executive Officer



C.E.F.S. ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY CORPORATION **2017 ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM**

Thursday, August 3, 2017

5:30 p.m. ~Registration

6:00 p.m. ~Welcome

~Introduction of Head Table

~C.E.F.S. Board of Directors Annual Business Meeting

~Banquet Invocation – Chuck Buchanan

6:15 p.m. ~Meal

* Menu *

Fried Chicken and Roast Beef

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Noodles with Beef

Green Beans and Gourmet Carrots

Cole Slaw

Rolls and Butter

Assorted Homemade Cobblers with Ice Cream

Coffee, Iced Tea and Lemonade

7:30 p.m. ~State of the Agency

➤ Introductions

➤ Board of Directors Recognition

Clay County

Janice Brooks

Chuck Buchanan

Aaron Leonard

Effingham County

Karen Luchtefeld

Adam Steppe

Fayette County

Jean Finley

Shelby County

Ken Barr

Joel Clark

Ethel Wagner

Moultrie County

Arlene Aschermann

David Cox

Vickie Bowers

Christian County

Mike McClure

Greg Hager

Kay Frevert

Montgomery County

Earlene Robinson

Linda Johnston

Jenny Baker

➤ Introduction of Agency Administrative and Program Management Staff

➤ Special Guest Introduction – Leslie DeVore, Deputy Director of Community Assistance, Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

➤ 2017 Annual Report/Comments

7:45 p.m. ~2017 Family of Distinction Award

➤ The Miriam Ciro Family – Outreach and Literacy Programs

~2017 Personal Achievement Awards

➤ Madison Barker – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Leslie Goodwin – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Tyra Jack-Braud – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Shania Kirkwood – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Joshua Laws – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Teresa “Terry” Meyer – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Zachary “Sam” Murphy – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ James “Mike” Patterson – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Alex Polk – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Ciarra Shonk – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

➤ Pamela Slone – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program

~2017 Personal Achievement Awards (Continued)

- Raymond Wright – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program
- Catherine “Cathy” Clayton – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Adela Goers – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Amanda Beeney – Outreach Program
- Sherri Hill – Outreach Program
- Patricia “Trish” McHenry – Outreach Program
- Brenda Pittman – Outreach Program
- Jessica Rabideau – Outreach and Low Income Home Energy Assistance Programs

~2017 Outstanding Volunteer Awards

- Dorothy Chaney – Outreach Program
- Judy Groom – Outreach Program
- Amanda Horvet – Outreach Program
- Lin Knop – Outreach Program
- Berenice Brown – Retired and Senior Volunteer Program
- Judy Dorn – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Mary Beth Lancaster – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Debbie Segrest – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Norman Siebert – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program

~2017 Community Service Excellence Awards

- Vandalia Rehabilitation & Health Care Center – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program
- Louisville Township – Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program
- First Assembly of God Church – Outreach Program
- Hearts United Association – Outreach Program
- Regional Office of Education #3
New Approach Alternative High School and FOCUS Safe Schools Program
Students – Outreach Program
- Sherwin-Williams – Outreach Program
- Sullivan Area Ministerial Association – Outreach Program
- Cargill – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Litchfield Bowl – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Zimdars Air Conditioning Heating & Appliance – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program

~2017 Paul D. White Lifetime Achievement Awards

- Betty Morris – Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program
- Jean Finley – C.E.F.S. Administration

~2017 Scholarship Awards and Recognition

In 2017, C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation is awarding \$8,000 in Community Services Block Grant Program educational scholarships funds to enhance the opportunities for eligible recipients to attend post-secondary educational opportunities.

- Sean French – Effingham County
- Morgan Hofstetter – Effingham County
- Jordan Tuetken – Montgomery County

8:30 p.m. ~Adjournment

~Photographs of Scholarship Award Recipients and C.E.F.S. Board Members

52 Years of Community Action

C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation

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Service Area: Clay, Effingham, Fayette, Shelby, Moultrie, Christian and Montgomery Counties

People Served:	16,612
Unduplicated Families Served:	7,650
Employees:	234
Volunteers:	3,910
Volunteer Hours:	105,934
Partnership Agreements:	137

Workforce Service Area: Clay, Clark, Crawford, Cumberland, Coles, Douglas, Edgar, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Marion, Moultrie, and Richland Counties

Central Illinois Public Transit Service Area: Clay, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Moultrie and Shelby Counties

Programs

Central Illinois Public Transit Program, Community Services Block Grant Program, Emergency Food and Shelter Program, Emergency and Transitional Housing Program, Emergency Solutions Grant Program, Foreclosure Prevention Program, Head Start 0-5 Program, Home Weatherization Assistance Program, Homeless Prevention Program, Housing Counseling Program, Illinois Hardest Hit Fund Program, Literacy Program, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Meals on Wheels of C.E.F.S. Program, Permanent Supportive Housing Program, Rapid Re-Housing Program, Rental Housing Support Program, Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Supportive Services Only Program, and Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program



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*** MISSION STATEMENT ***

*Provide opportunities for people through education
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