# **2018**Annual Report



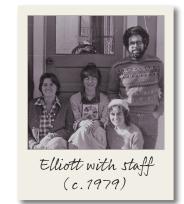
ACTION INC.



Serving residents of Gloucester, Rockport, Manchester, Essex, Ipswich, Hamilton, & Wenham, along with state-wide energy efficiency programs.

**Our mission** is to create opportunities that promote a thriving Cape Ann for all.

**Our story** begins in 1965, when a group of Gloucester residents started Action Inc. to provide essential support programs to the Cape Ann community. They began programs like Head Start, Meals on Wheels, the local food pantry, and the first homecare agency on the North Shore. Since then, Action Inc. has continued to develop programs designed to combat poverty in our community, and help individuals and families build better lives. Action Inc. is the dedicated



Community Action Agency (CAA) for the greater Cape Ann area. CAAs are a nationwide network of organizations that work as hubs in their local communities, bringing together state, local, and national partners to address community needs and the underlying causes of poverty.

**Our programs** are designed to meet the needs of the community, as reported by the community itself, and operate under four core departments:

#### Client & Housing Services



Housing & Benefits Advocacy

Supportive Housing (Housing First, HOPWA)

**Emergency Shelter** 

**Affordable Housing** 

#### & Training



COMPASS Youth Program (HiSET Preparation)

Adult Education (HiSET Preparation)

Nurse Aide & CDL Training Programs

#### **Energy Services**



Fuel Assistance (LIHEAP)

Energy Efficiency & Weatherization Programs

**Utilities Advocacy** 

#### Community Initiatives



Our Place Recovery Community

Back-to-School & Holiday Drives

High Risk Task Force & Community Substance Use Programming

Dear Friends,

Since 1965, Action Inc. has been working hard to fight poverty on Cape Ann. Our team shares the principles and commitment our founders set out with more than fifty years ago, but the nature of poverty and the needs of our community have changed over time. We are constantly assessing community needs and shaping our programming to provide dignity, stability, and opportunity for everyone in our community.

2018 was a year of great change at Action Inc., with the addition of new and exciting programs and the transition of our HomeCare program to a new provider. We continue to be committed to responding directly to our community's most pressing needs, which is why we have taken a more active role in responding to behavioral health needs, expanded our advocacy and supportive housing provision, and improved our education and workforce development programming.

All of this work relies on the support and partnership of countless individuals and organizations throughout the region. Their support for Action Inc. is a clear commitment and investment in our community, and all of the people that make Cape Ann such a wonderful place to live and work.

Sincerely,

Peggy Hegarty - Stock
President & Executive Director

Linda Murphy Board Chairperson









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#### Our Place responds to the behavioral health needs of the community.

In February 2018, Action Inc. took over operation of Cape Ann's only recovery safe space program, Our Place Recovery Community.

Initially established in 2016 through a collaboration with the City of Gloucester and others, the drop-in program provides participants with a safe, sober community that includes resources and support from recovery coaches and peers, healthy lunches, job coaching, social events, yoga, and art.

Our Place provides more than 500 hours of supportive programming each year.

# Our Place is a crucial support for individuals who are working hard to maintain sobriety



#### Urgent Care appointments provide immediate help for families in crisis.

Our Client Services Advocacy Program connects people with the resources and support they need to become more stable. There has been high demand for these services in recent years and wait times have developed. In response, our Urgent Care Program was implemented this year, thanks to a grant from the *Applied Materials Foundation*.

The program provides dedicated resources three days per week to assist people who have immediate needs that cannot wait, such as heat/ electricity shut off notices, victims of fires or disasters, clients with 48hr vacate orders, and those living in places not fit for human habitation.



# Local businesses helping people

In 2018, dozens of local businesses stepped up to help the people in our community. Whether collecting toys for Project Uplift, sponsoring a fundraiser, or donating essential items to the shelter, local businesses help us make a lasting impact on Cape Ann.



# Local kids changing lives

It can be lonely spending the holidays at a shelter. Often times, people who find themselves without a permanent home have dealt with trauma, loss, and uncertainty.

This past Christmas Eve, Baxter Chmiel and his younger brother Charlie decided to visit our emergency shelter. Baxter had been saving money from his part-time job at Shaws and had a plan. That evening, the brothers shook every person's hand, wished them a Merry Christmas, and handed them each a \$5 bill.

People were touched that two teenagers cared enough to think of them, especially during the holidays. With a simple gesture, Baxter & Charlie reminded everyone that compassion is the greatest gift we can give to each other.





#### Homecare transitions smoothly for staff & their clients.

In February 2018, Action Inc.'s HomeCare services team transitioned to local provider ABC Home Healthcare. Since the 1970s, Action Inc. nurses, aides, and companions have been a constant source of companionship and reassurance for seniors in our community.

We are proud to have been one of the very first home care agencies operating in the state, and we know that the great work of our staff has shaped the services available to support seniors in their homes.

Almost all of Action Inc.'s staff and clients transitioned to ABC, allowing a consistency of employment as well as maintaining the relationships between staff and clients.

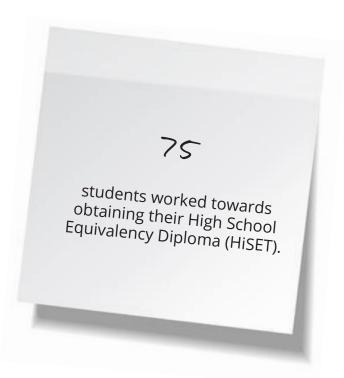
Action Inc. brought the first Meals on Wheels program to Cape Ann in 1968 and started the first homecare aggency on the North Shore in 1973

#### CDL Training Program opens up new career paths close to home.

Our goal is to help residents find meaningful, well-paying local jobs. With the decline of the fishing industry and other traditional employment options, there is a significant need for living-wage jobs that do not require an advanced degree. Commercial drivers are among the fastest growing occupations that do not require a college degree, experiencing a 37% increase nationally by 2024.

In summer 2018 Action Inc. piloted a new Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Training Program. The program is funded through the *Sailor's Snug Harbor Foundation* and includes classroom instruction and intensive "behind-thewheel" training. As with all Action Inc. trainings, students also receive resume-writing and job search assistance.





#### United Way selects Action Inc. as a strategic partner.

Recognizing the quality & impact of our work, *United Way of Massachusetts Bay* & *Merrimack Valley* chose Action Inc. as one it's strategic partners for 2019-2021 after a competitive, region-wide selection proccess.

Being a United Way Strategic Partner gives us access to funding, resources, trainings, & partnerships that will strengthen our programs and allow us to better meet the needs of our community.



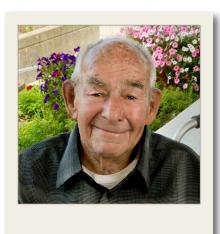
#### COMPASS Program adds more services to help students succeed.

The COMPASS program serves at-risk young people (16-24) who have dropped out of school, providing high school equivalency (formerly GED) preparation and intensive academic and career support.

In 2018, we added two new components to the program. With funding from the *North Shore Community Health Network*, a mental health clinician was added to the program. Many students in the program struggle with depression and anxiety, and due to challenging home lives, the impact of economic stress, and other barriers, nearly all students have some form of mental health need.

In September the program added a part-time Youth Engagement Specialist. This role, supported by the *Dusky Foundation*, is designed to create a safe a welcoming space for students and prospective students, increasing enrollment, engagement and attendance in the program.





#### Fuel Assistance helps 3,128 households on Cape Ann.

No one should have to choose between heating their home or paying for other basic neccesities, yet many working families and those with a fixed income struggle to manage these costs. Our Fuel Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps thousands of households in Gloucester, Rockport, Manchester, Essex, Ipswich, Hamilton, & Wenham pay their home heating bills every year.

With 80% of these households across Cape Ann including a child under 5, a senior, or a person with a disibility, the help Fuel Assistance provides local families keeps vulnerable populations safe and comfortable when the weather gets cold.

"I am on Fuel Assistance and it has been great. I am 87 years old and I live alone and am trying to keep my house. Action put in a new heating and cooling system. If it wasn't for the help I don't think I could afford to stay here."

- Marie S.



#### Partnership improves comfort & efficiency at the Shelter.

In the summer, individuals experiencing homelessness have fewer opportunities to escape the heat and cool off. We were delighted to receive funding from *Rotary Club of Rockport* and generous inkind donations from *Emerson Swan* and *Breen and Sullivan*, which enabled us to upgrade to a new, efficient air conditioning system to help keep shelter guests and staff comfortable all summer long. In addition to improving conditions, the system will save thousands of dollars in energy costs in the coming years.



#### Improving homes



#### Multi-family program reducess energy burden for thousands.

80% of Massachusetts residents report that they are "cost burdened", spending more than 35% of their income on housing expenses. Recognizing the need to reduce housing costs, Action Inc. and our partners created the Multi-Family Energy Efficiency Program, which provides efficiency upgrades to homes and lowers utility bills.

73,272

housing units were improved this year through our Multi-family Energy Efficiency Program, helping thousands of low income families across the state.

### Changing **lives**

#### This thank you letter was sent with a generous donation.

Dear Action Inc.,

For a few years, a few years ago, I became a single parent and needed financial help. I reached out to Action Inc. for heating assistance. You gave me financial relief during those days, for which I am eternally grateful, and so glad that today I'm able to give something back, towards your vital humanitarian services - assisting those in need, whatever their circumstances may be.

Bless you and thank you so much.

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# National retailer TORRID donates clothing to create a boutique shopping experience.

Last May, 35 women from our shelter & housing programs shopped for brand new clothing items such as jeans, blouses, bras, dresses, and coats, thanks to a very generous donation from the plus size clothing retailer TORRID.

## A summer competition helps kids return to school with the right supplies.

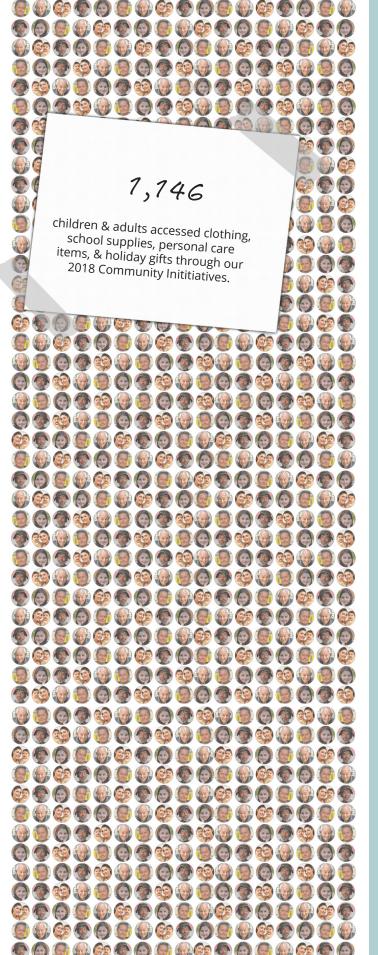
Partnering with expert food & beverage marketing company OCTOCOG, we raised over \$4,000 at MIXED: A Cocktail Competition, allowing us to purchase 100 backpacks and other neccesary supplies for Gloucester kids headed back to school in September 2018.





# Project Uplift brings joy to 738 local children over the holidays.

The holidays can bring added stress to families who are already worried about affording life's basic neccesities. Project Uplift helps Cape Ann parents provide the best they can for their kids,letting them "shop" for brand new toys and clothing at our annual pop-up store.





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Element Care

Eliot Community Human Services

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#### Partners & Public Funders

Gloucester Healthcare Gloucester High Risk Task Force Gloucester High School Gloucester Housing Authority Gloucester Police Department Gloucester Rotary Club Gloucester Stage Company Good Friday Walk Gorton's of Gloucester **Grace Center Greater Lawrence Community Action Council** Greater Lawrence Family Health Center **Greater Lynn Senior Services** Healthy Gloucester Collaborative Highwave Hair Design Holy Family Parish **Housing Assistance** Corporation Institution for Savings Invest in People **Ipswich Aware Ipswich Caring Ipswich Housing Authority** Ipswich Refugee Program **Ipswich Utilities** 

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nation-wide partners including government agencies, schools, businesses, & local non-profits, make us a stronger organization than we would be alone!

MA Department of Transitional Assistance MA Department of Veterans' Services MA Energy Director's Association Manchester Housing Authority Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless Massachusetts Housing & Shelter Alliance

Massachusetts Law Reform Institute Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission **MASSCAP** MassHealth MassHousing Menotomy Weatherization/ Town of Arlington Mission of Deeds – Reading **Montachusett Opportunity** Council Moore's Way National Association of **Regulatory Utility** Commissioners National Association of State Consumer Advocates National Energy Assistance Director's Association National Fish & Seafood National Grid Needy Meds New England Biolabs New England Center & Home for Veterans **New England ISO** Nor'East Cleaners North Shore Career Center North Shore Community Action Programs North Shore Community College North Shore Community **Development Coalition** North Shore Community Health Network North Shore Continuum of Care Homeless Services Consortium North Shore Health Project North Shore Housing Action Group North Shore Workforce **Investment Board** Northeast Legal Aid Open Door Food Pantry Orlando & Associates Pathways for Children **Quincy Community Action** Programs **RISE Engineering** Riverdale Methodist Church **Rockport Community** 

PreservationCommittee

Rockport Council on Aging **Rockport Housing Authority Rockport Music** Rockport Police Department Rose Baker Senior Center Sailors Snug Harbor of Boston Salem State University Salvation Army Santander Bank Sea Meadow Gifts & Gardens Seacoast Nursing and Rehabilitation Self Help, Inc. SeniorCare Shaw Fund for Mariner's Children South Bay Community Services South Middlesex Opportunity Council South Shore Community Action Council Springfield Partners for Community Action St. John's Episcopal Church St. Mary's Episcopal Church St. Paul Lutheran Church St. Vincent DePaul The Caleb Group The Farm Bar & Grille **Tides Foundation TOHP Burnham Library** Town of Essex Town of Manchester Town of Rockport Tuck's Candy United Way of Massachusetts Bay & Merrimack Valley US Department of Energy US Department of Health and **Human Services** US Department of Housing and **Urban Development** Valley Opportunity Council VNOC Wellspring House Woodman's Restaurant Worcester Community Action Council

YMCA of the North Shore



at our 2018 Annual Meeting



Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce



Lara from Backyard Growers & Melissa from Wellspring

Staff



When our staff was recently asked to complete anonymous surveys about their employment,

100%

of employees agreed they feel proud to work for Action Inc.!

#### **Energy Services**

Elliott Jacobson Vice President, Energy Services

Brian Beote
Director of Energy
Efficiency Operations

Marie Sanviti Director of Energy Advocacy & Benefits Programs

Maria Arias **Linda Brayton** Rita Carvalho Calvin Cook **Ionathan Dalev Brendan Delanev David Dow** loe Hachev Abdelmounaim Hamim Colin Heneghan Jamin Jones Lynne Kugel Jacquelyn Lovasco **Barry Moir Matthew Murrin Kevin Nevlon** Jean Pomeroy Serafina Russell Cindy Schimanski **Jennifer Schmorrow Cristine Sears** Louis Silveira

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Director of Client
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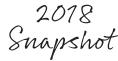
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Deputy Director

Ken Kudym Chief Financial Officer

Joe McEvoy
Director of Planning
& Development

Geraldine Coughlin Richard Gurry Jeremy Heussi Allison Lex Megan Merlin Heidi Paskavitz-Weller Shayna Trupiano





#### **5,508** individuals on Cape Ann were helped directly by Action Inc. programs.







223
Adults Experiencing
Homelessness



**600** Single Moms



**994** Seniors (65+)



**1,451** Children



\$40/day cost per person for a bed and 2 hot meals at our shelter



**2,233**households served have income below 200% of the federal poverty level\*

\* below \$24,280/year for a 1-person household



**33,000**meals were provided for people in our community



**15,000,000** pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> was saved by our energy programs

#### **2018 Vision Statement**

Action Inc. aims to be an instrument of change, working collaboratively with partners to strengthen the community and helping all people in our service area access the opportunities they need to thrive.

**Responsiveness:** We will seek input from the community and will be flexible with our programming, ensuring that our services address needs that have been identified by the community itself.

**Impact:** We will design and implement innovative solutions to community issues, and we will measure our outcomes to ensure we are producing positive results.

**Collaboration:** We will collaborate with local, state, and federal organizations to leverage resources and advocate for social change, and we will work with local partners to offer comprehensive services to our community.

**Respect:** We will treat everyone with dignity and respect, and we will offer our clients compassion and support in hopes of empowering them to achieve their goals.

#### Private Donors & Funders

\$309,687 Arnold W Knauth II Charitable Fund

\$75,000
Tides Foundation

\$48,500 Sailors' Snug Harbor of Boston

\$40,000 The Dusky Foundation

\$ 20,000+

Amelia Peabody Foundation Gilbert H. Hood Family Fund North Shore Community Health Network Richard and Anne Rosenfeld

\$ 10,000+

The Applied Materials Foundation Beverly and Addison Gilbert Hospitals/Lahey Health System

\$ 5,000+

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The Peter and Elizabeth C. Tower
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United Way Of Massachusetts Bay
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\$ 1,000+

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\$ 250+

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Gretchen Wood

\$ 100+

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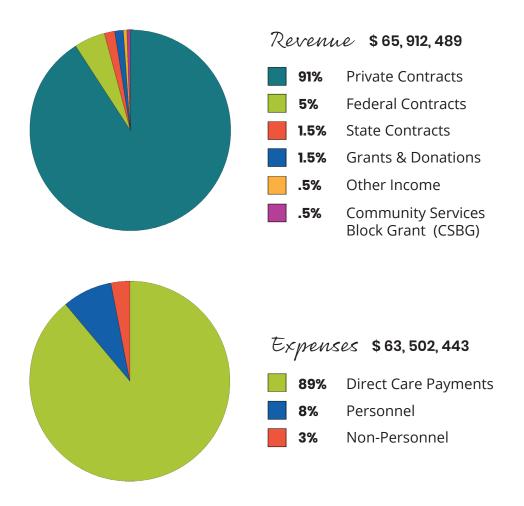
#### Action Inc. receives largest gift

In October 2017 Action Inc. received a significant gift from the estate of Arnold W. Knauth II. Arnold was a famed artist who lived in Rockport for many years, and was a beloved member of the community. His beautiful paintings captured heaving sailboats, bustling towns and harbors, and Cape Ann's natural beauty in its coastline and woodlands. Arnold passed away in June 2017, his wishes indicated that a substantial gift be made to Action Inc.'s COMPASS program. This donation is the largest single gift the agency has ever received, and will help sustain the future of the program for many years to come.



#### Fiscal Year 2018

October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018



- Almost all of Action Inc.'s private contract revenue comes from energy services contracts the agency manages across a large portion of the state. Almost all of these funds are "pass through" funds that we pass on to contractors or clients to complete work or provide direct benefits.
- Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) is the federal anti-poverty funding that designates Action Inc. as the Community Action Agency for Gloucester, Rockport, Manchester-by-the-Sea, Essex, and Ipswich.
- While CSBG funds make up only a small portion of our budget, we are able to leverage this flexible funding to attract millions of dollars from other sources to support for our programming.
- Action Inc.'s administrative costs makes up only around 2% of our overall budget.



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Emergency Shelter

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