

CAP SERVICES
*Transforming People
and Communities*



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CAP SERVICES IS HIRING!

Are you or someone you know looking for a career change? CAP Services, Inc. is headquartered in Stevens Point, Wisconsin with offices in each of the five counties we serve - Marquette, Outagamie, Portage, Waupaca, and Waushara. With positions available in each of our counties at some time, there may be an opportunity perfect for you!

CAP Services is an equal opportunity employer and service provider. Our goal is to be the employer of choice for mission-driven persons seeking employment in central Wisconsin.

[View current job openings here!](#)



WERA - WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Wisconsin Emergency Rental Assistance program is available now!

Gov. Tony Evers announced a \$322 million Wisconsin Emergency Rental Assistance (WERA) Program to provide direct financial assistance for rent, rental arrearages, utility costs, utility arrearages, and wraparound services for people who are facing housing instability due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Wisconsin Community Action Program Association (WISCAP), Energy Services Inc., and local community action agencies - including CAP Services - are coordinating the WERA program. CAP Services is now accepting pre-screening applications for those who live in Marquette, Outagamie, Portage, Waupaca, and Waushara counties. If a person lives outside of those counties, they can visit wiscap.org/wera to find their local resource for rental assistance.

Eligible applicants include Wisconsin residents who demonstrate a risk of experiencing housing instability, have seen their income impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and earn a household income at or below 80 percent of the county median income. Rental and utility assistance payments are made directly to the landlord or utility provider on behalf of the tenant.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has put an added strain on low-income people and families. The WERA funding is going to relieve a lot of pressure on those that have feared eviction or utility shut off due to loss or reduction of income due to the pandemic. CAP staff are diligently processing applications for the WERA program since we've launched pre-screening applications on February 22, and we are dedicated to serving as many households as possible." says Nicole Harrison, President & CEO of CAP Services.

For more information and to fill out a pre-screening application for WERA, please visit capservices.org/wera or call 844-314-8004 for assistance in English, Spanish, or Hmong.

Support CAP while shopping online!



Shopping on AmazonSmile allows Amazon to donate a percentage of your purchase at no cost to you! We would be thrilled if you would select CAP Services, Inc. as your charity of choice when shopping on AmazonSmile.



CAP SERVICES' SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

CAP Services has added a couple new social media accounts to share more about CAP's programs and services. We also have a few other pages that we wanted to highlight, so please check out the following pages and give us a follow!



Facebook

[CAP Services Inc.](#)

[CAP Services' Family Crisis Center](#)

[CAP Services' Jobs & Business Development](#)

[CAP Services' Early Childhood Development](#)



Instagram

[CAP Services Inc.](#)



LinkedIn

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HEAD START RECRUITMENT

CAP Services Head Start and Early Head Start are now accepting applications!

CAP Services' Head Start and Early Head Start are now accepting applications for the 2021-2022 program year in the following areas:

Portage County: Plover, Rosholt, Custer, Amherst Junction and Junction City, Stevens Point

Waupaca County: Clintonville, New London and Waupaca

Waushara County: Wautoma, Redgranite, Wild Rose, Plainfield, Coloma, Hancock and Almond-Bancroft

Marquette County: Montello, Packwaukee, Westfield, Oxford, Endeavor and Neshkoro

Head Start and Early Head Start are quality prenatal, early childhood and family development programs for eligible families. The programs provide education, health, nutrition and social/emotional services for each child and offer support and family development services to all family members.

Families must meet eligibility guidelines and are asked to bring income verification to their application appointment. Families whose children have documented disabilities are also encouraged to apply. Parents are encouraged to call for an appointment as soon as possible as enrollment is limited.

Parents should call the following numbers to schedule appointment applications:

Portage County: 715-343-7152 (Head Start), 715-544-4991 ext. 122 (Early Head Start), 715-498-6279 (Spanish).

Waupaca County: 715-823-4310 | 715-460-1948 (Spanish).

Waushara County: 920-787-7742 | 715-498-6279 (Spanish).

Marquette County: 608-296-2141 ext. 2217 | 715-498-6279 (Spanish).



TAX TIME IS UPON US

CAP Services' VITA teams are ready to help

CAP Services' Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)* program is up-to-date on the more recent tax laws and ready to prepare taxes free of charge for qualifying taxpayers with low to moderate income households in the area.

The team is operating under a total no-contact procedure due to COVID-19 safety precautions. They will also serve qualifying taxpayers in surrounding areas that were previously served by AARP.

To find out if you qualify for VITA services, call 1-800-660-5430 for a screening and to set up an appointment with one of our Intake Specialists.

*CAP Services' VITA Program is a United Way funded program



PORTAGE COUNTY

Administrative Office

2900 Hoover Road
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715) 343-7500

Program Office

1608 West River Drive
Stevens Point, WI 54481
(715) 343-7100

MARQUETTE COUNTY

Early Learning Center

222 North Franklin Street
Oxford, WI 53952
(608) 296-2141

OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

Program Office

821 East 1st Avenue, Suite 3
Appleton, WI 54911
(920) 968-6365

WAUPACA COUNTY

Program Office

101 Tower Road
Waupaca, WI 54981
(715) 258-9575

WAUSHARA COUNTY

CAPsell Center

205 East Main Street
Wautoma, WI 54982
(920) 787-3949

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2021 EVENTS UPDATE

CAP is continuing to promote programs and services in a safe way

Annual events are an incredibly important way to share CAP Services' mission with our community. None of us could have predicted that the COVID pandemic, with associated restrictions, would have resulted in cancelling events that we could not host virtually and altering events so they were able to be hosted virtually. Providing these events virtually brought different, yet beneficial challenges. We were able to share our programs and services to a larger audience, connecting with people across the country. Due to the success of these virtual events and the continued COVID-19 public health crisis, we have made adjustments to our events in 2021.

CAP Services has made the difficult decision to cancel 2021 in-person events, with the exception of Trivia Unplugged that was scheduled last year and is subject to cancellation. Due to the uncertainty of when group gatherings can be safely conducted we felt this was the best option.

The largest event affected by this decision, based on participant feedback not to hold the event virtually, is the cancellation of Take A Ride 2021.

To celebrate recognition of Community Action, CAP will still hold two virtual events to promote programs and services: Hmong Week, May 10-15, will continue with the theme "Success Looks Like Me" as an online event that will include various different activities, podcasts, and videos. This event was held virtually last year with great success and an expanded audience. The Recognition Reception, featuring a guest speaker, will be hosted virtually in Fall 2021. We hope that you'll be able to join us virtually for Hmong Week and the Recognition Speaker as we hope we can continue with in-person events for 2022.



TURKEYS FOR HMONG FAMILIES

CAP Services' Hmong UPLIFT Program partners to provide

CAP Services' Hmong UPLIFT program partnered with Central Rivers Farmshed to make sure that those most impacted by the pandemic continue to have access to culturally specific foods. Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, there have been many cuts to crucial programs that helped keep food on the table for families. Together, they collected turkey donations for Hmong families in November 2020. As many Hmong New Year Harvest family celebrations happen to fall during Thanksgiving week, the partnership to provide these culturally specific foods were incredibly important.

We continue to be thankful for our community partnerships because together, we can do extraordinary things.