

Statement of Financial Position (6/30/24)

ASSETS	Gateway
Cash	\$6,637,858
Receivables	\$6,458,478
Land, Building, and Equipment	\$29,343,956
Right-of-use asset	\$3,257,620
Other Assets	\$128,885
TOTAL ASSETS	\$45,826,797

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	Gateway
Accounts Payable	\$5,511,399
Grants Payable	\$221,034
Deferred Revenue	\$2,900,661
Lease Liability	\$2,956,584
Mortgage/Notes Payable	\$2,865,540
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$14,455,218
NET ASSETS	\$31,371,579
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$45,826,797

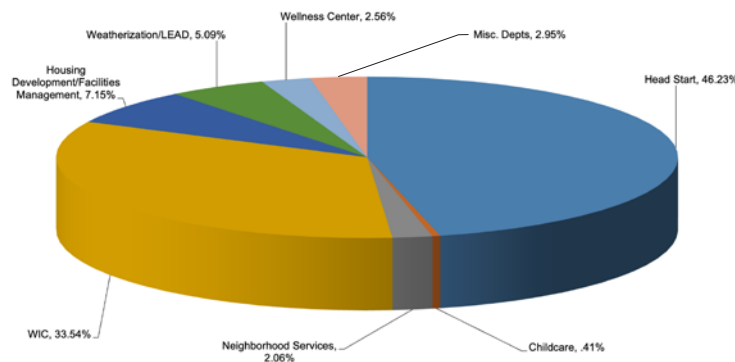
Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets (6/30/24)

SUPPORT & REVENUE	Gateway
Grants and Contracts	\$75,852,627
Contributions	\$279,650
Contributed Good and Services	\$23,953
Program Fees	\$310,122
Rental Income	\$80,563
Interest Income	\$153,241
Other Income	\$441,961
TOTAL SUPPORT & REVENUE	\$77,142,117

EXPENSES	Gateway
Program Services	\$71,873,849
Management and General	\$4,197,198
Fundraising	\$99,050
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$76,170,097
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$972,020
NET ASSETS BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$30,399,559
NET ASSETS END OF YEAR	\$31,371,579

The financial statements of Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc. (T/A Gateway Community Action Partnership) as of June 30, 2024, which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2024, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and related notes to the financial statements have been audited by Martini & Martini, Certified Public Accountants. Financial statements are available upon written request to Denise Castley, Chief Financial Officer.

AGENCY PROGRAM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS



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Please Help Us Help Others

Gateway Community Action Partnership makes a difference in helping our less fortunate neighbors. We provide dozens of programs that advance our mission "to provide services that improve the quality of life and promote self-sufficiency."

Certain core programs that embody our mission are under- or unfunded, such as food recovery. Please make a donation to help us fulfill our mission. Send checks made payable to: Gateway CAP, 110 Cohansey Street, Bridgeton, NJ 08302

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ANNUAL REPORT



Albert B. Kelly, CCAP
President & CEO,
Gateway Community
Action Partnership

Dear Friends of Gateway:

There has been much talk about how divided we are as a nation, and unfortunately that is undeniably true. I wish it were otherwise. But as I reflect upon 2024, I also see great examples of unity at Gateway Community Action Partnership and beyond, giving me hope in 2025.

I was so proud of how our agency came together with other community stakeholders to build a playground for our children and families in Paulsboro, led by resources and leadership from KABOOM!, an entity dedicated to ending playspace inequity. More than 130 volunteers from Gateway, Atlantic City Electric, the Borough of Paulsboro and others intended to create this playground in a matter of hours in April. I know I personally enjoyed being part of an effort that in short time turned an empty lot in Paulsboro into a playground. At the heart of it was the spirit of unity, fellowship and cooperation by everyone there that day.

The more I reflect upon it, the more I realize that unity is a big ingredient in what we do at Gateway. Every day, our caring and concerned staff unifies to provide services to our residents that really need our help as we proceed on our mission "to provide services that improve the quality of life and promote self-sufficiency."

You will see in this 2024 Annual Report how we accomplished this. Space doesn't allow for us to illustrate all the ways our staff advances our mission to help others.

So the next time you hear someone talk about division in our nation, be reminded that while it is an unfortunate reality, many individuals and entities are unified in making our communities better places to live.



GATEWAY PARTNERS WITH KABOOM!, ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC, PAULSBORO TO CREATE CHILD-DESIGNED PLAYGROUND AS PART OF REVITALIZATION PLAN

More than 130 volunteers from Gateway Community Action Partnership, the Borough of Paulsboro, Atlantic City Electric, KABOOM!, and community residents came together to bring a child-designed playground to life at West Buck Street Park in April. Volunteers had only about 6 hours on this designated "Build Day" to assemble thousands of pounds of playground equipment, fill the space with 138 cubic yards of mulch, build picnic tables, paint a mural, and make sure everything was ready for the children to enjoy.

This playground build is the starting point of a longer-term revitalization plan for the Paulsboro community under Gateway's Neighborhood Revitalization Planning Grant, received in December 2023. It focuses on community-driven projects, like the playground build, to support comprehensive equity-focused community development plans.

The project is also part of a nationwide effort led by KABOOM! to end playspace inequity—the reality that far too many children and especially children of color do not get the chance to play on a playground in their community, something that should be part of every child's life. Their work ensures every child can experience the numerous physical, social and mental health benefits of play regardless of background or where they live.

ALBERT B. KELLY RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS NATIONAL AWARD IN COMMUNITY ACTION

Albert B. Kelly, CCAP, Gateway's President, CEO, and founder, received the prestigious National Lyndon Baines Johnson Leadership Award at the National Community Action Partnership's Annual Convention on August 29 in Seattle.

Kelly accepted the award before more than 1,800 attendees at the convention's Awards Gala. With approximately 1,100 Community Action Agencies in the country, being selected for this award was highly competitive.

"It's not about me, it's about what we have done together at Gateway," Kelly said as he accepted the award. "In my time in Community Action, I thank the people who inspired me and helped me become the Lyndon Baines Johnson Award winner. I thank you very much. It's an honor to accept this award among people who work so hard to make America a better place to live."

This award recognizes Community Action practitioners whose expertise on what works to promote greater economic opportunity for children and families is known and respected at the national, state, and local levels. These practitioners have led their Community Action Agency in connecting numerous children and families to greater opportunities, transforming their lives and their communities. Albert B. Kelly's dedication to making communities better places to live has been manifested in numerous ways in his 37 years in Community Action, making him a deserving recipient of the National Lyndon Baines Johnson Leadership Award.

Earlier in the year, Kelly was recognized by Gateway staff for his 40 years of service to our communities.



Albert B. Kelly accepted his award from NCAP Board Member Dreama Padgett, CEO of Mountain Heart Community Services, Inc. (left), and NCAP CEO, Denise Harlow.

GATEWAY A LEADER IN PROVIDING AFFORDABLE HOMES FOR FAMILIES

Gateway Community Action Partnership celebrated the groundbreaking of the Spruce Fields Homes Development in Bridgeton's Southeast Gateway (SEG) Neighborhood in October. This project marks the construction of five new residences aimed at improving the community's quality of life and promoting self-sufficiency.

Edward Bethea, CCAP, Executive Vice President and COO, welcomed attendees and recognized key contributors, including Gateway's Housing Director Jonathan Burdzy, consultant John Restrepo, Donovan Architects, and Nocentino Homes. Ivy Melendez, Executive Director of the Bridgeton Housing Authority, also spoke. Lorissa Luciani from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs highlighted the impact of projects like Spruce Fields.

Albert B. Kelly, CCAP, Gateway's President and CEO, expressed gratitude for his team's efforts and detailed Gateway's \$200 million investment in housing since 1992. He emphasized the need for quality affordable housing in Bridgeton. Bethea announced that the Spruce Fields homes will be completed in early 2025, with prices between \$100,000 and \$120,000.

In another housing initiative, Gateway, as a partner with Eastern Pacific Development in the Phase II of the Phoenix Redevelopment Area Project in Bridgeton, led a groundbreaking ceremony in July. This initiative marks a significant step in affordable housing development, as it will provide fifty-six three-bedroom units. Thanks to the New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA), financing and equity investment from TD Bank, and support from Enterprise Community Partners, this community project has come to fruition.



From left: Jonathan Burdzy, Gateway's Housing Director; Edward Bethea, CCAP, Executive Vice President and COO; Albert B. Kelly, CCAP, Gateway's President and CEO; Lorissa Luciani, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and Daniel Muller, CCAP, Gateway's Controller.

GATEWAY CAP BRIEFS

BETHEA CHAIRMAN OF HCDNNJ

Edward Bethea, CCAP, Executive Vice President and COO of Gateway Community Action Partnership, was elected Chairman of the Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey (HCDNNJ). The HCDNNJ aims to promote balanced and equitable housing and community choices for NJ residents. With more than 250 members, HCDNNJ allows Bethea to represent Gateway and South Jersey communities and support affordable housing efforts.

WIC CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Gateway's Women, Infants and Children's program marked the 50th Anniversary of WIC and World Breastfeeding Month with celebrations at their Camden, Atlantic City and Vineland locations. Health fairs, music, games, a bounce house, health screenings, food demonstrations, giveaways, refreshments, music and entertainment marked the events, which were well attended by parents and children. Also attending were Gateway staff, including Edward Bethea, CCAP, Gateway's Executive Vice President/COO and Jaya Makukha, CCAP, Gateway Community Action Partnership's VP of WIC. Elected officials representing the residents of the locations attended, as well.

COMMUNITY DAY FOR FAMILIES

Gateway Community Action Partnership, Southeast Gateway Neighborhood, and the City of Bridgeton collaborated to host Community Day 2024 at the Greater Bridgeton Family Success Center. Attendees received free school supplies, miscellaneous items, and delicious food, while they enjoyed lively entertainment. This event fosters inclusivity and a stronger bond with their neighbors and the broader community.

WOODLEY, YOUNG RECEIVE AWARDS

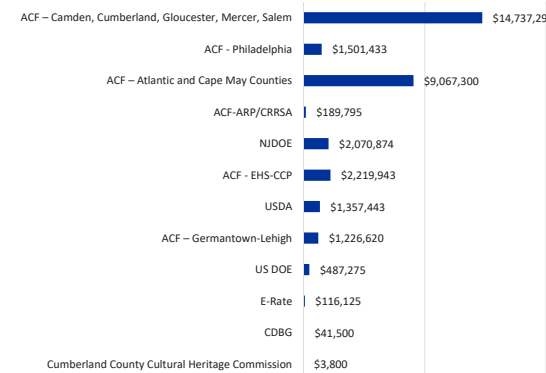
Gateway staffers Mae Woodley and Nina Young received awards for their service to our communities. Woodley, Coordinator of Greater Bridgeton Family Success Center, was honored with the Parent Leadership Champion Award for Professionals by Parent Inc. This award recognizes an individual who is devoted to advocating on behalf of parents and families. Young, Gateway's Special Projects Coordinator, received a Community Hero Award from the Bridgeton Area Chamber of Commerce. Among the ways she serves our community, Young leads Gateway's Code Blue program.



In 2024, Community Action programs throughout the nation celebrated 60 years of working toward ending poverty. Our Linwood Head Start team recognized Community Action Partnership's 60th anniversary with new T-shirts!

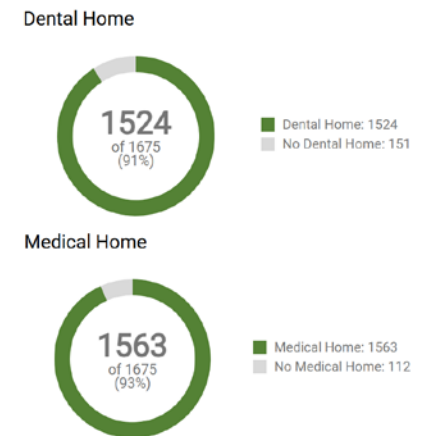
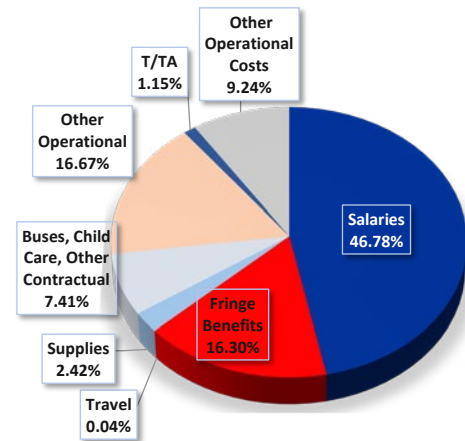


Funding Sources for Gateway Head Start



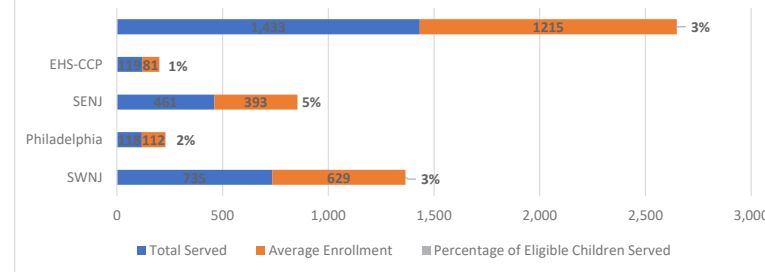
Head Start's mission is to promote healthy prenatal outcomes for pregnant women, to enhance the development of very young children, and to promote healthy family functioning.

How Gateway Early Head Start and Head Start Utilizes its funding:

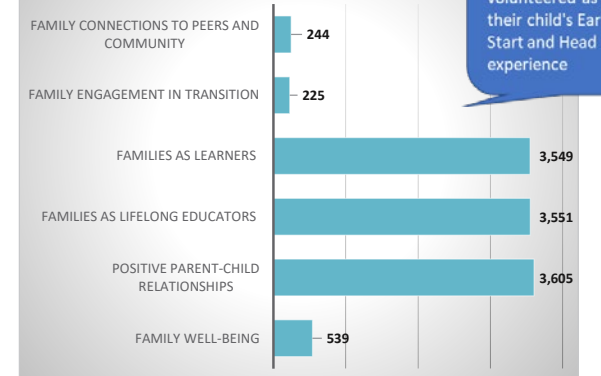


Gateway's most recent five-year cycle of the Aligned Monitoring System was for the Philadelphia Grant in 2023. The report stated, "Based on the information gathered during this review, it has been determined that your program meets the requirements of all applicable HSPPS, laws, regulations, and policy requirements."

Pregnant Women, Infants, Toddlers, and Preschool Age Children in Early Head Start and Head Start 2023-2024 Program Year

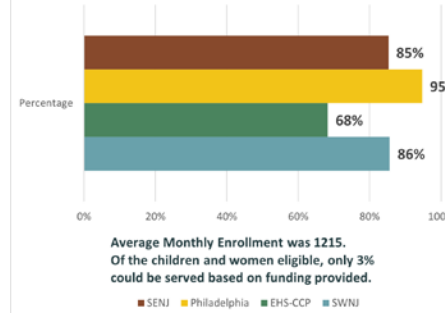


Ready Rosie App Usage by Family Outcome Category



In the 2023-24 Program year, 1,087 parents volunteered as part of their child's Early Head Start and Head start experience

Percentage of Pregnant Women, Infants, Toddlers, and Preschool Children Served based on Funded Enrollment 2023-2024 Program Year



Average Monthly Enrollment was 1215. Of the children and women eligible, only 3% could be served based on funding provided.



School Readiness for 2023-24: Percentage of 3 and 4 year old Children Meeting or Exceeding Expectations in Six Areas of Development

