Eliminating Poverty
Promoting Self-Sufficiency

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ARVAC Services

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<th>Service Area</th>
<th>Population</th>
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<td>Number of Individuals Served</td>
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<td>Number of Households Served</td>
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<td>Total Number of Services</td>
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<td>InKind Hours</td>
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1. Employment
2. Substance Abuse
3. Income Management
4. Emergency Utility Assistance
5. Housing
6. Nutrition
7. Education
8. Access to Affordable Healthcare

Community Needs

Poverty Levels

Conway 22.7%
Franklin 19.9%
Johnson 21.2%
Logan 17.1%
Perry 13.5%
Polk 22.0%
Pope 18.9%
Scott 19.5%
Yell 19.9%

Grants

Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance Capacity Building Grant
$1,200
Purchased two freezers for the Freedom House kitchen

Emergency Solutions Grant Shelter Operations
$150,000
ARVAC was awarded $150,000 in ESG funds to operate Freedom House Transitional Living Center and provide services for homeless clients seeking substance abuse treatment

FY 2015 Funding

Key Partnerships

ACAAA
Nostos Seminars
Tyson Foods
Ray of Hope Food Pantry
Dardanelle and Russellville Rotary
Chamber of Commerce
Balance of State
Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance
Pope County Adult Education
Arkansas Tech University
ADFA
DBHS
Office of Community Service

Boards and Coalitions

Agency Memberships
Arkansas Community Action Agencies Association
National Community Action Partnership
Chamber of Commerce
Rotary
Uncommon Communities
Stephanie Ellis, CEO
Dardanelle Rotary Club• President
Arkansas Community Action Agencies• Association Board President
Yell County Uncommon Communities• Steering Committee Member
Community Services Inc. • Board Member
Arkansas River Valley Homeless Network• Coalition President
**Nutrition**
Arkansas ranks #1 in the nation for senior food insecurity and #2 in household food insecurity. 1 in 4 children in Arkansas are food insecure.

**ARVAC Food Bank**
The Emergency Food Assistance Program
During FY 2016 ARVAC has distributed over 3,300 food bags to low income families.

Commodity Suplemental Food Program
ARVAC provides 1,464 seniors with 50-60 lbs of food each month.

Backpack Program
During the 2015-2016 school year, ARVAC provided food for 700 local students each week.

**Utility Assistance**
Low-income householders spend 10% or more of their income on energy expenses. The burden is even greater among the very poor, who are likely to spend an upwards of 20% of household income on energy purchases.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
ARVAC has made over $1,200,000 in utility payments to the accounts of low-income households in the ARVAC service area in the past 12 months.

Community Partners
Energy: Power to Care
Arkansas Valley Electric: Round up for Change

Keeping People in their Homes
Low and Very Low Income households face a significantly high risk of eviction as a result of unpaid utility bills. LI-HEAP and other utility assistance programs not only pay utility bills, but keeps at risk families in their homes.

**Substance Abuse Treatment**
Freedom House
Healing Mind, Body, and Spirit

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<th>Clients Served</th>
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Adult Education
6 Earned GED
139 Educational Gain

Emergency Solutions Grant:
Shelter Operations
Freedom House has provided substance abuse treatment, room and board, and case management for 30 homeless clients

Quality Care, Close to Home

**Asset Management & Housing**
ARVAC assists individuals and families in building assets in five key areas: Financial (Income, Savings), Social (Networks, Community Participation), Personal (Motivation, Well-Being), Physical (Housing, Energy Burden), Human (Education, Skills).

Social Security Payee Representative Program
Social Security's Representative Payment Program provides financial management for the Social Security and SSI payments of our beneficiaries who are incapable of managing their Social Security or SSI payments. ARVAC currently manages the income of 27 payees.

DREAM for Success
77 participants completed the DREAM for Success case management program. 15 case management clients completed the Nostos Seminars.

Emergency Solutions Grant:
Rapid Rehousing
From December 2015 to March 2016, ARVAC assisted 15 homeless individuals and families in obtaining permanent, safe, affordable housing. This includes 8 families with minor children.

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ARVAC, Inc. strives to eliminate poverty and promote self-sufficiency by providing individuals, families, and communities with access to knowledge, skills, and opportunities.