

**FY24**



**OPERATION THRESHOLD**

# Annual Report

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**Collaborating, educating and providing services to help meet the basic needs of people and create opportunities for self-sufficiency.**

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***Proudly serving Black Hawk, Buchanan, & Grundy Counties***

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## Individual, Family & Community Impact

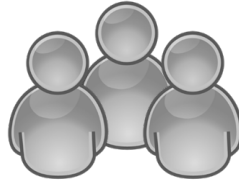
Individuals Served

**11,848**



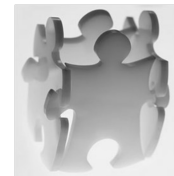
Households Served

**5,354**



Community Partnerships

**148**



**\$8.7 MILLION**

\$3.28 Million to help households defray winter heating costs

\$1.02 Million to Weatherize houses

\$4.40 Million in WIC Food Vouchers to help families with healthy food purchases

## Households Receiving Utility Assistance



**4,982**

- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP): 4,890
- Crisis Utility Assistance: 884
- Other Crisis Assistance: 30

## WIC - Women, Infants, & Children Served

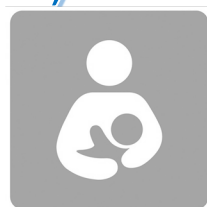
**7,430**

### WIC Program

Women Served: 2,139

Infants Served: 2,312

Children Served: 2,979



### Breastfeeding Peer Counseling

Women Served: 1,219

# Individual, Family & Community Impact, continued

## Early Learning & Family Services



Parents as Teachers: 64 Families  
 Maternal, Infant, & Early Childhood Home Visitation (MIECHV): 72 Families  
 Nest Program: 334 Individuals  
 Family Development & Self-Sufficiency (FaDSS): 125 Families

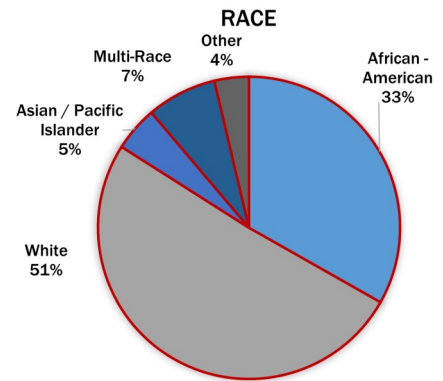
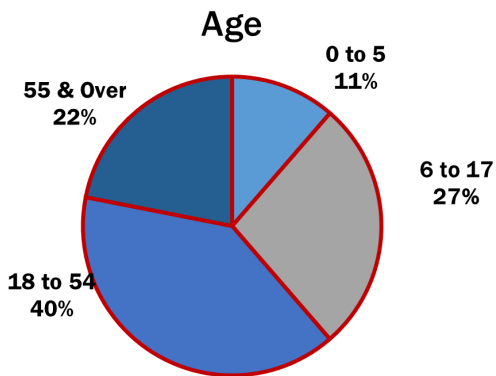
Home Visits  
 Conducted  
**2,011**

## Housing & Weatherization

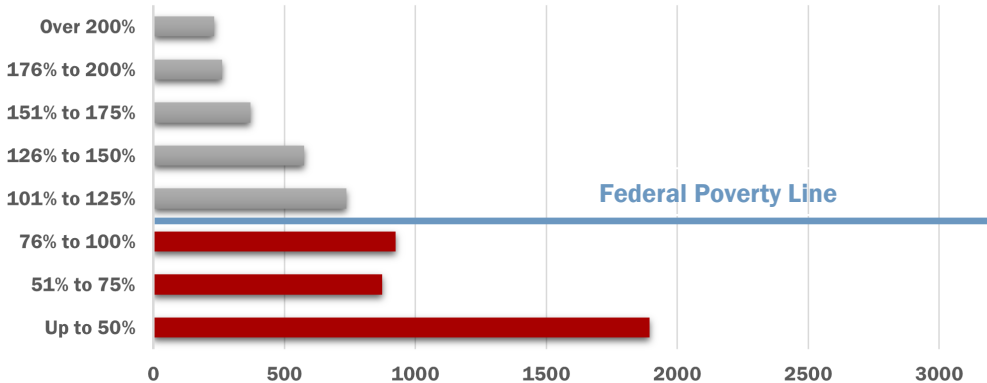


Weatherization: 45 homes made more energy efficient  
 Affordable Rental Units: 55 low-income families housed

## DEMOGRAPHICS

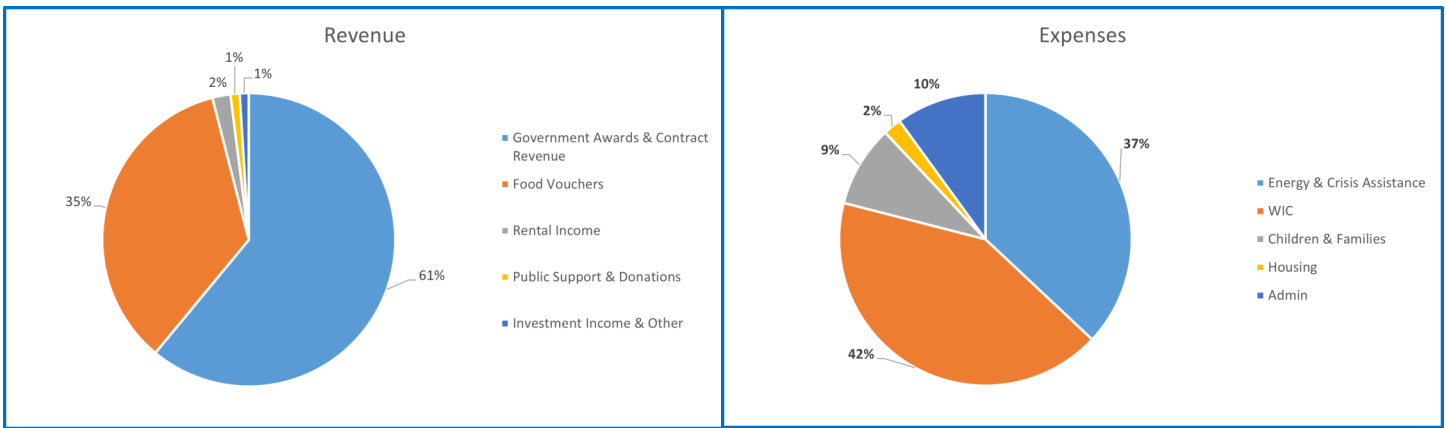


## Poverty Status of Families Served



**FY2024 Federal Poverty Level for a 2 person family:**  
**\$20,440/year**  
 or  
**\$1,703/month**

# Agency Impact



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## Operation Threshold Success Story –

One of our participants was a single mom with three children, one of whom is disabled. The mom recently lost her job because of her need to care for her disabled child. The mom is also going through a rough divorce. We were able to use Cedar Valley United Way funds to help her pay her rent and avoid eviction. In addition, she recently shared that she has been able to find a new job that is more supportive of her schedule and will enable her to pay her rent in the future. She shared that she is so thankful to Operation Threshold for the one time help.

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