

# CPCA NEWS

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## EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Congratulations to the Employee of the Quarter, **James Michael Martin!** His supervisor said, "James Michael is one of the most earnest and dedicated individuals that I have had the honor to work with. He recognizes the serious life challenges that many of our participants face, and he does all he can to help them turn their lives around. James is conscientious and thorough, and he holds himself to a very high standard. Without hesitation, James is willing to take on extra work such as assuming the caseload of a coworker who was unexpectedly out on leave all while struggling with his own health concerns. The only thing about James that I would change is for him to recognize the value that he adds to our CSBG team and to the agency. For all these reasons, I am pleased to nominate James for Employee of the quarter.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4 - Independence Day, offices closed

TBD - Back to School, RENA

Sept 4 - Labor Day, offices closed

Oct 9 - Columbus Day, offices closed

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# CHATHAM MOVIE NIGHT

Chatham CSBG staff hosted our annual Chatham Movie Night on April 21 at the CPCA Central Office in Siler City. There were games and donations for children, vendors with helpful resources, and lots of tasty food and treats. The spring weather brought many families out for the event, and everyone appreciated the food, entertainment, and fellowship.

We would like to express our thanks to Walmart, Pizza Hut, NAPA Auto Parts, Nelson Tire and Automotive, Pro-Kleen and Auto Zone, Elizabeth's Pizza in Siler City, Willy's Cinnamon Rolls in Pittsboro, and Chapel Hill Tire and Automotive for their very generous donations. We would also like to thank our vendors, Ben and Jerry's, Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Trio for their support and participation. Finally, we wish to thank RRH and Weatherization staff for assisting to make the event a success.

Top Left: CSBG Director Sheryl Andrews, CSBG Case Manager Carol Currie, CSBG Case Manager Lisa Scott.





## CSBG CLIENT KIM

Hard work. Dedication. Perseverance. You did it! Warmest congratulations to CSBG Customer Man Kim on graduating from nursing school at Alamance Community College. You are an inspiration to other CSBG participants, and we are so proud of you!



## CSBG CLIENT PAGAN

I wanted to reach out and thank CPCA and your CSBG program for all the help and guidance you gave me during some of my toughest times. Thank you again for everything you all did for me. I'm very thankful and will continue to be grateful for your support. I hope God continues to guide you all towards more people that you can help because you all are amazing individuals. God bless you all. - Nemesis Pagan, CSBG Graduate (Randolph County)



# RED CROSS AWARD

On 6/20/23, our agency, Central Piedmont Community Action (CPCA), had the honor of attending the Central North Carolina Chapter's Annual Meeting of the American Red Cross in Durham. It was an incredible event that recognized the outstanding contributions made by organizations in our community. We were thrilled to receive the esteemed Disaster Services Partner of the Year Award.

The award was presented to Weatherization Director Douglas Dixon by Jamar Brewton, the Disaster Program Manager of the Central North Carolina Chapter. This recognition holds a special significance for us, as it highlights our dedication and commitment to the installation of life-saving smoke detectors in our region.

Receiving this accolade would not have been possible without the continued partnership between CPCA and the American Red Cross. Together, we have been able to strengthen our community's resilience and enhance our preparedness for any future challenges. We are immensely grateful to the American Red Cross for recognizing our efforts and for their ongoing support.

This award serves as a reminder of the importance of community collaboration and the power of collective action. We are inspired to continue our work, forging partnerships and empowering individuals to overcome adversity and build a brighter future.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Central North Carolina Chapter of the American Red Cross for this honor and pledge to uphold our commitment to serving our community in times of need.

Top Right Pic: WX Technician Toribio Pena Dominguez, CSBG Case Manager Sandra Rush, WX Director Douglas Dixon, WX Crew Leader Alex Rivera, Red Cross Disaster Specialist Sweetly Sanders, CPCA Personnel Director Amber Cole, Red Cross Disaster Program Manager Jamar Brewton.

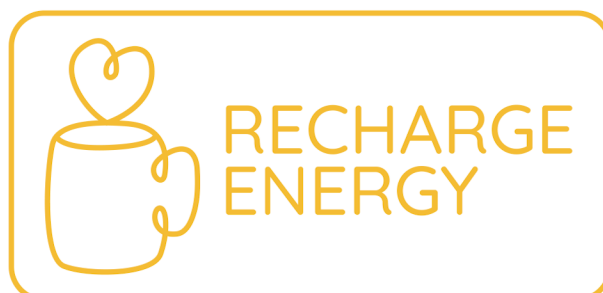




# NCCAA CONFERENCE

CPCA Staff had a wonderful time “recharging” at the 2023 Annual North Carolina Community Action Association (NCCAA) Conference in Winston Salem. CSBG Case Manager, Angeline Roberts, volunteered as moderator for a workshop on IT Security for Non-Profits and did a spectacular job. Assistant CSBG Director, Allexus Porter, was also enlisted by NCCAA to utilize her dynamic personality and marketing ability for fundraising ticket sales and other initiatives. We are very proud of both ladies, their willingness and efforts, and fine representation of CPCA among the community action network. All CSBG staff conscientiously participated in the presentations, workshops, and networking opportunities and were inspired and empowered to continue the important life changing work of community action.

Top Left Pic: CSBG Staff - Case Manager Angeline Roberts, Case Manager Carol Currie, Program Director Sheryl Andrews, Case Manager Sandra Rush, Case Manager Joanna Barksdale.  
Bottom Right Pic: CPCA Executive Director Natasha Elliott.





# SENIOR RESOURCE FAIR

On June 7, 2023, CPCA actively participated in the Senior Resource Fair held at the Western Chatham Senior Center in Siler City, attracting an impressive turnout. The event kicked off with a comprehensive dissemination of valuable information, accompanied by a thoughtful gesture from the Police Department, who organized a delightful hot dog cookout. Attendees had the opportunity to gather information about our Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), Rapid Re-housing, and Weatherization programs.

The primary focus of the resource fair was to raise awareness about elder self-neglect, which occurs when older adults, whether intentionally or unintentionally, fail to meet their basic needs, including food, water, shelter, clothing, hygiene, and medical care. The aim was to connect older adults with local resources to meet these needs.

This remarkable event was made possible through the collaboration of the Chatham Co. Department of Social Services, the Chatham Co. Council on Aging, and the Chatham Health Alliance. An exceptional lineup of community agencies and resources also participated, including Caring Transitions, Bio-One, CapTel Telephone, Chatham Co. Sheriffs Office, Siler City Police Dept, Liberty Home Care, Gentiva Hospice, Alignment Healthcare, Adult Medicaid, PACE, CORA, Central Piedmont Community Action, and many more. We extend our sincere appreciation to everyone involved for their outstanding contributions to the success of this event.

Top Left Pic: CSBG Case Manager Carol Currie, RRH Intake Specialist Andrea Wiley, CSBG Case Manager Roxanna Campos-Sosa.





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