

CSA Annual Program Highlights

“Labor Cares – Labor Shares”



US Secretary of Labor Tom Perez helps CSA raise funds for emergency assistance at the 2014 Labor Night at the Nats

Meeting Emergency Needs

- **Emergency Assistance Program** helped 300 working families avoid evictions, foreclosures, utility cut-offs and hunger
- **Holiday Basket Project** provided food, gifts and funds for 60 area needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas
- **Food drives** collected non-perishable food distributed to 120 neighbors in need and 5 area non-profits
- **Referred 200 area residents** to additional resources in the area for emergency and other family needs

Every year, CSA sponsors the “Bowling for Gold” Bowling Tournament, Labor Night at the Nats, and the Annual Golf Tournament, all of which raise money for the Emergency Assistance Fund. For information about these fun events, email kmckirchy@dclabor.org

Helping Families Become Self-Sufficient

- **Building Futures Program** trained 80 unemployed area residents in a construction pre-apprenticeship training program with 80% landing jobs and apprenticeships after graduation
- Conducted **academic and job readiness assessments for over 450** underemployed and unemployed neighbors with referrals for jobs and training
- Started a pre-apprenticeship program for low-income suburban Maryland residents that also offers incumbent worker training **to boost earnings and job advancement potential for 300 individuals**
- **Helped train 32 youth** in Prince George’s County for jobs in hospitality



Building Futures women during a hands-on training at IBEW Local 26. The Building Futures Program has had support from the US Department of Labor, the MARPAT Foundation, CenterCity DC, The City Fund, the United Planning Organization, and other area funders.

Supporting the Local Labor Community

- Promoted the **Letter Carriers Food Drive** in May which collects thousands of pounds of non- perishable food for area food banks
- Provided **emergency assistance to over 300** members of area local unions
- **Worked with AFGE and AFSCME and other federal locals** to prepare and support members effected by sequestration and government shutdown
- Worked with the **building trades unions** to promote jobs on the Silver Line in Virginia and the upcoming Purple Line in Maryland
- Provided **strike preparation training to staff and members of UFCW 400** prior to tough contract negotiations



Building Futures team members and graduate hired in May 2014 by Washington Gas share the pride of a job well done.

*The mission of the Community Services Agency is to **improve the lives of workers and their families** by meeting their human and social services needs; by building diverse coalitions to promote and protect dignity and justice for workers; and by empowering workers and their unions to make their communities better places to live, work, raise a family and retire.*

CSA is a United Way/Combined Federal/DC ONE Fund Campaign Participant and is a member of the DC Jobs Council, the Fair Budget Coalition, the Fairfax County Alliance for Human Services, and the AFL-CIO Community Services Network.

CSA provides services for residents of suburban Maryland, Northern Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

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