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New Community Action Agency Opens its Doors to Chaves, Lincoln and Lea County Residents

Santa Fe, May 17, 2004 – A new partnership between the State Human Services Department (HSD) and the Southeast New Mexico Community Action Corporation means Chaves, Lincoln and Lea County low-income residents will begin receiving better services than before.

Community Action Agencies (CAA) like the Southeast NM Community Action Corporation provide services to families through the Federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program administered through HSD. Those services include emergency assistance, nutrition services, housing assistance, education services including Head Start and adult education and help in filling out income tax returns. “The goal of the CSBG program is to reduce poverty and revitalize low-income communities by helping individuals become fully self sufficient, particularly families who are attempting to transition off the state Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program,” said Katie Falls, HSD’s Income Support Division (ISD) Director.

The Board of Directors of the Chaves County Community Action Program (CAP), which serviced Chaves, Lincoln and Lea County residents, dissolved the agency in February.

Today both the Lincoln and Lea County CAC offices opened their doors to begin serving residents, while the Chaves County office will open next Monday, May 24.

Southeast NM Community Action Corporation Offices (Lea County)

Opening: May 17, 2004
Address: 1720 North Dal Paso, Suite A
Hobbs, NM
Phone: (505) 383-9328
Bus. Hours: MWF 8am-1pm/T, Th. 12pm-5pm

(Lincoln County)

Opening: May 17, 2004
613 Sudderth Dr.
Ruidoso, NM
Phone: (505) 257-6937
Bus. Hours: MWF 8am-1pm/T, Th. 12pm-5pm

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(Chaves County)

Opening: May 24, 2004
Address: 2009 East Hendricks
Roswell, NM
Phone: (505) 624-1285
Bus. Hours: M-F 8am- 5pm

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