

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

50 years of work is not just a number, it's a legacy of giving back to our community. We've helped thousands of people live, work, and play. By partnering with other agencies and supporting local businesses, each year we address the needs of our community.



LOOKING BACK TVCCA

LOOKING FORWARD



EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

1965-1968
1968-1975
1975-1998
1998-Present

Richard O. Brooks
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Deborah Monahan

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Head Start Program
Little Learners Program
United Community & Family Services
Senior Corp Programs
Head Start Program
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LOOKING BACK

In **1965**, we started small – one employee and a little over **\$40,000**.

In **1966**, we began operating programs: Head Start served **278 children**; employment services helped **1,061** individuals gain employment and or training; and the Foster Grandparent program brought **31 seniors** into classrooms to help needy children.

In **1974**, the Senior Nutrition Program began, targeting senior citizens and utilizing the town senior centers to deliver hot nutritious meals daily to **688 seniors**. The energy crisis hit the United States, fuel costs started to rise and availability was limited. TVCCA initiated a “Cold Line” for people needing emergency fuel – **164 families** received the help they needed to stay warm.

In **1975**, the WIC program began as a partnership with Backus Hospital, the Visiting Nurse Associations and UCFS and reached **1,486** medically at-risk women and young children, getting them into health clinics and providing them with vouchers for highly nutritious foods along with nutrition counseling.

1965:

- A BARREL OF CRUDE OIL COST \$2.86
- A GALLON OF GASOLINE WAS \$0.31
- THE DOW JONES INDEX WAS AT 969 POINTS
- A DOZEN EGGS COST \$0.53
- THE COST OF A FIRST CLASS STAMP WAS \$0.05

BOARD CHAIRS

1965-68	Alfred Bingham	1986-88	Loretta Pollock
1968-69	Clyde Burelle	1988-90	William P. Powers
1969-70	Margaret Wilson	1990-91	Arline P. Krug
1970-71	Leslie Secora	1991-93	Donald Farrington
1971-72	Robert Booth	1993-95	Jeffery Prichard
1972-73	Garfield Rucker	1995-96	Theresa Cruz
1973-74	Arline P. Krug	1996-98	Franco Cristofaro
1974-75	Mary Clark	1998-01	Olive Buddington
1975-76	Kenneth G. Brevard	2001-02	Thomas Manning
1976-77	Harrison F. Day	2002-03	Thurston Fields
1977-78	Lewis Cornelius, Jr.	2003-06	Rose-Ann Girard
1978-79	Alfred Hill	2006-08	Kathleen McCarty
1979-80	Nan Wasniewski	2008-12	Aaron Daniels
1980-83	Patricia McTigue	2012-14	Audrey Leone
	McLaughlin	2014-15	Anthony Madeira
1983-86	Jacquelyn Randall		

PERSPECTIVE

This year, TVCCA commemorates its 50th year of service to the community.

On March 22, 1965, a group of private citizens came together to form Thames Valley Council for Community Action, then hired Richard Brooks as Executive Director. Under the direction of Mr. Brooks, TVCCA began a planning cycle to leverage federal dollars for programming. Building on the words of President Johnson, “through a new community action program we intend to strike poverty at its source. In the streets of our cities and on the farms of our countryside. Among the very young and the impoverished old...the most enduring strength of our nation is the huge reservoir of talent, initiative and leadership which exists at every level of our society. Through the community action program we call upon this our greatest strength to overcome our greatest weakness.” The work of TVCCA in the region began.

FROM ONE EMPLOYEE AND \$40,000 IN 1965, THE AGENCY HAS GROWN 50 YEARS LATER TO EMPLOY 380 PEOPLE, LEVERAGING OVER \$27 MILLION TO SERVE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS ACROSS THE SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT REGION. SOME OF TVCCA'S SERVICES ARE ALSO PRESENT IN TOLLAND AND WINDHAM COUNTIES.

TVCCA programs work with families and individuals of all ages to empower them to be self-sufficient. Our programs are designed to meet the needs of the communities we serve, while fulfilling funders' requirements. Education, housing, nutrition, financial literacy, employment, training and senior programs each strive to improve the lives of those receiving the service. Case management services provide crisis intervention and longer-term solutions for the challenges faced by our clients each day. TVCCA strives to achieve economic stability in the lives we touch.

We have made tremendous progress in the past 50 years, but our work is not done. By partnering with other health and human services providers and supporting local businesses, each day TVCCA continues to work hard to address issues of poverty throughout the region, in hope of making the lives of the people receiving services a little better. TVCCA continues to review the programs we operate. This ensures that our programs are meeting the needs in the community while we continuously seek other resources to bring into our region.

WE WILL NOT GIVE UP UNTIL OUR COMMUNITIES ARE HEALTHY, THRIVING, SAFE AND AFFORDABLE PLACES FOR ALL PEOPLE TO LIVE, WORK, GROW AND PLAY.

DEBORAH MONAHAN
Executive Director

ANTHONY MADEIRA
Chairman of the Board

FUNDING

TVCCA has long been committed to providing services that not only fulfill basic human needs, but also afford people the opportunity to acquire skills and training that enable them to become independent from the system.

Our funding is primarily provided through seven Federal and six State sources; the towns and cities in our service area; local foundations; fees for service; and individual and business donations. Grants range in amounts from hundreds to millions of dollars. We furnish information and reports to all entities from which we receive funds. TVCCA is subject to an annual audit, which is available for public review upon request. We encourage you to visit our website (tvcca.org) for further information.

The figures on this page are based on projected 2015 financials.

Support/Revenue

\$23,877,865	Federal and State grants
\$456,160	Local and other grants and contributions
\$2,110,884	Programs and other income
\$349,765	Non-cash contributions
\$388,386	Debt service paid on behalf of TVCCA by the State of Connecticut

\$27,183,060 Total Support/Revenues

Expenses

CHILDREN \$9,713,735	ELDERLY \$3,525,570	HOUSING \$1,910,857
ENERGY \$7,555,744	EMPLOYMENT \$2,354,259	MANAGEMENT \$1,578,882
	OTHER \$544,013	



LOOKING FORWARD

Today, TVCCA employs nearly **400 people** with a budget of more than **\$27 million**.

Last year, **1,320 children** participated in pre-school activities to develop school readiness skills.

2,003 individuals received the training and assistance they needed to find employment.

3,028 seniors received nutritious meals through our Senior Nutrition Program, which provides both home-delivered meals and congregate meals at local senior centers.

8,353 households received energy assistance, directing **\$6,677,673** to local fuel and energy vendors.

6,814 women, infants and children took part in WIC, which generated **\$3,530,489** in food purchases at local grocers and farmer's markets.

TODAY:

- A BARREL OF CRUDE OIL COSTS \$59
- A GALLON OF GASOLINE IS \$2.70
- THE DOW JONES INDEX HAS TOPPED 18,000 POINTS
- A DOZEN EGGS COSTS \$2.00
- THE COST OF A FIRST CLASS STAMP IS \$0.49

