



Election Day is over and a New Year with lots of exciting new challenges for CAPK is just beyond the horizon - on the other side of the holidays.

The celebrations have already begun as we look at the impact our agency makes on individual lives, cheer on the birth of the next generation and teach Head Start students the basics of voting and civic engagement.

Enjoy CAPK in Action!



Utility Assistance

Helping people make it through

Kathy Wise came to the CAPK Energy offices in 19th Street last week hoping for some help with her utility bills. She lost her job in a Doctor's office in the spring because of the COVID-19 pandemic and hasn't been able to go back to work. She just needed a little help to make it through. She left with tears of joy threatening to slip past her restraint and enough financial assistance to handle her utility bills through the winter. She was deeply thankful. Watch as she explains why CAPK



Becoming Grandpa

First Grandbaby for Jeremy Tobias

This week CAPK CEO Jeremy Tobias and his family welcomed the first Tobias grandchild. Grand-daughter Eloise is doing well and donations of diapers and support for the family pulled together by CAPK staff was greatly appreciated.

Child education is a big part of what we do and building strong families is a core mission of Community Action Partnership of Kern. We wish the Tobias family all the best as they celebrate their new member and the growth

Energy is so important for her. "It makes a big difference when you know there's someplace to go for help."

of their family.

Kathy's Client Video

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Election Day *Learning to Vote*

Tuesday wasn't just Election Day for adults. In CAPK Head Start's McFarland Center it was also class Election Day. The children learned about elections, democracy, choice and how to vote. Once they dropped off their ballots they got to wear and "I Voted" Sticker and see how their voice could make an impact.

A Head Start early childhood education is designed to give low-income children in disadvantaged communities the chance to build a strong educational foundation in ages 0 to 5. From there they can build a great future in school. Voting is a foundation of our democracy and its fantastic to see children learning about the power of elections early.

Food and Outreach *Housing for the Harvest*

Community Action Partnership of Kern is working to promote Housing for the Harvest, a way for agricultural workers exposed to COVID-19 to quarantine away from family and friends so people can stay safe from the virus. This program is all about support - it pays hotels and restaurants to care for the farmworkers. The benefits get magnified.

Another great example of this is our partnership with the Lo Que Buena radio station. We've worked with them to get advertising out to the people we want to serve and, in the spirit of community, Lo Que Buena has donated meals to workers in the fields. We love our partners in Community Action.

