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## Message for the Executive Director



2008 found us continuing to build on past successes and programs to make inroads into building strong communities by helping people to lift themselves out of poverty and to bridge unexpected crisis events. Despite our best efforts we found ourselves slipping into an unexpectedly large economic crisis by late 2008 and closed the year with the largest number of requests for services in our history.

Our more than 40 programs to help people to build self-sufficiency into their lives and lifestyles are suddenly overwhelmed by demand. All of our more than 100 collaborating or partnering non-profit allies serving Hennepin County are finding themselves having the same type of experience highlighted by dwindling resources and skyrocketing demand for services. However, all is not lost: we must keep our focus on the mission of meeting the needs of today while helping to build the new economy of tomorrow in which everyone is prepared to participate.

Some of our current successes include a large addition to our foreclosure prevention program. This has allowed us to significantly increase our capacity to meet a rapidly growing demand for assistance services and counseling. We have also been able to increase the size of our energy assistance program to the same effect while we serve significantly increased demand for assistance and support. In fact, we are seeing huge increases in the number of requests for services and support in all areas of our communities due to loss of employment, loss of assets, loss of pensions and the general need to replace or build stronger and better 'safety nets' in our society.

As we move forward into 2009 with the clear understanding that we have challenging new goals in sight in light of the current economic crisis, let us all come together to help build the solutions that will ensure that America stays strong and vibrant by re-creating an economic base that enables everyone to survive and aspire to thrive. If you can afford to donate to your local favorite charity please do so. If you cannot afford to donate money then please consider donating some of your time to volunteer and help build resilience and strength into you community of friends and neighbors both old and new. Be assured that Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin will be there with you doing just this same thing in 2009.

*Richard Zierdt*

# Message for the Board Chair



Dear Community Members,

In 2008, CAPSH was working hard to relieve the impacts of poverty on Hennepin County Residents. With an increasing number of individuals and families who are being thrown into poverty crisis due to job loss, fewer benefits and fewer safety nets, CAPSH was faced with serious challenges.

In Minnesota, Food Support jumped 120 percent in five years, serving 279,971 individuals. The number of unemployed individuals in Hennepin County is moving at fast speed reaching 38,773 in Dec. 2008, a 125% increase from 2007. And with 7,348 foreclosed homes, foreclosures in Hennepin County have reached an all time high.

Each number is a real person facing an ever-increasing struggle. Our residents are in desperate need of support and protection from potentially irreversible damages. With a variety of successful services, CAPSH's initiatives have been able to help people not only fix an immediate problem but also provide significant impacts on poverty reduction, community empowerment, and self-sufficiency. Programs such as Foreclosure Prevention, Food Support, Transitional Housing, Energy Assistance and more, enable us to strengthen families and rebuild hope.

As poverty increases, so does the need for help. For us to continue serve our community's needs, we need public support. CAPSH is thankful to the 2008 public and private donors who are making it possible for us to provide the needed services to achieve self-sufficiency of people in our communities. Their assistances helps us offset the growing gap between the demand for our vital programs and the diminishing number of resources available to meet those needs.

With your help, CAPSH will continue to work with our partners to increase opportunities and build strength for our community members, making Hennepin County a better place to live.

*Marty Kirsch*

## 2008 Board Members

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# About Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin

CAPSH'S mission is to improve the quality of life in suburban Hennepin County by creating and supporting links between individuals and communities through services, education & collaboration.

Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin (CAPSH) is a non profit organization that provides opportunities for individuals and families and helps them become self-sufficient members of the community.

In 2008 CAPSH served 44,958 people with a variety of programs and services. These programs include Energy Assistance, Family Asset Development, Financial and Employment Counseling, Food Support, Homeownership Programs, Home Rehab Counseling, Foreclosure Prevention, Reverse Mortgage, Tax Assistance, Transitional Housing Support, and Planning & Development Services.

In addition, CAPSH partners with over 100 providers and organizations to improve the lives of low-income people throughout suburban Hennepin County.

Today's devastating economic situation is seriously affecting the ability of low-income Hennepin county residents to make ends meet and survive the economic crisis. With a 6.9% unemployment rate, rising foreclosure rates, and cuts on safety nets, CAPSH's work is now more important than ever.

**Now** is the critical time to join together to create long term solutions to fight the war on poverty.



## Six National Goals

CAPSH is one of over 1,000 Community Action Agencies throughout the United States, dedicated to change people's lives, embody the spirit of hope, improve communities, and make our neighborhoods a better place to live. To ensure consistency, CAPSH, like all Community Action Agencies, designs its programs, services and outreach efforts around the Six National Goals. The Six goals are divided into three categories. Each category focuses on stakeholders that play a significant role in CAPSH's functions.

The first category focuses on **family**. These are the people who are directly impacted by CAPSH's services.

The goals for this category are:

- Low-income people become more self sufficient. (Goal 1)
- Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive systems. (Goal 6)

The next category that the goals address is **community**. Since the quality of life of low-income residents depends, in part, on community conditions, it is CAPSH's goal to increase or preserve opportunities and community resources and services for individuals in the community. When the quality of life and assets in low-income neighborhoods are improved, the community becomes stronger and more stable.

The national goals for community are:

- The conditions in which low-income people live are improved. (Goal 2)
- Low-income people own a stake in their community. (Goal 3)

The final group of goals focuses on the **agency**. These goals help CAPSH continually improve its services. The goals highlight the importance of partnerships among CAPSH and organization, both public and private, who work together to expand resources and opportunities to achieve successful outcomes for families and individuals in the community.

The national goals for agency are:

- Partnerships among supporters and providers of services to low-income people are achieved. (Goal 4)
- Agencies increase their capacity to achieve results. (Goal 5)

This report will present and explain the CAPSH programs and services that fulfill each of the six national goals.

# Goal 1

Low-income people become more self-sufficient.

## Transitional Housing Program

*The Transitional Housing Program* helps families, youth and individuals who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. In 2008 95 people, received help through this program and another 825 individuals received emergency family assistance and homeless assistance.

A CAPSH Case Manager provides homeless people with the services they need to stabilize their lives and become more self-sufficient. The Case Manager helps the individual or family locate and secure safe, and

affordable housing. After the move, the Case Manager conducts home visits and assists clients with maintaining their housing and basic needs including clothing, food, money management, healthcare and education.



Unfortunately there are still people who continue lose their homes and end up at an emergency shelter or in secure waiting. In efforts to help them, CAPSH offers the Rapid Exit Program that strives to get people out of shelters and back into stable living situations. CAPSH is one of four Rapid Exit providers for Hennepin County, and is the only agency that focuses on providing low-income housing in suburban Hennepin County.



Housing Program and Rapid Exit Program clients.

Finally, CAPSH, in collaboration with the NW Hennepin Family Service Collaborative, offers tenant training classes that outline renter's rights and responsibilities. Participants learn how to communicate with the landlord, how to file complaints, laws that apply to renters, and more. Classes are open to the public and are required for all Transitional

## Goal 1 Continued

Low-income people become more self-sufficient.

### **Foreclosure Prevention Program**

*The Foreclosure Prevention Program* assists Hennepin County homeowners who are faced with foreclosure by providing counseling, advocacy, and referrals to additional resources. Also, based upon funding availability, homeowners who qualify may receive financial assistance in the form of a deferred, interest-free loan.

Over the past year, CAPSH added six staff members to its foreclosure prevention program. Furthermore, CAPSH instituted a Foreclosure Prevention Hotline which serves as the initial intake for foreclosure questions. Five counselors are available to work with homeowners and offer intervention assistance with lenders, foreclosure mitigation strategies and gap loan assistance. The clients are generally able to go from Hotline contact to foreclosure counseling in 24 hours.

During 2008, the Foreclosure Prevention Program became critically important to maintaining the health of suburban Hennepin County communities. The number of foreclosed properties in 2008 skyrocketed over 365% percent from 2007. In 2008 the Foreclosure Prevention Program provided foreclosure counseling to 1,281 households.

### *Success Story*

Dear Foreclosure Prevention Counselor,

I just wanted to say thank you for all the hard work you put into getting my loan re-modified. I faxed the signed, notarized papers, wired the money and sent the originals in the mail. It is a great weight off my shoulders knowing that this has been taken care of. I deeply appreciate all the time and effort that you put into this endeavor. I know this is your job, but I really felt that it mattered to you what the outcome was. You did an outstanding job!!! I would like to pass this onto your manager. Could you send me her/his name so I may let them know what a great job you did in saving my home for me. You don't even know how much I appreciate it! I know, now, that I would have never gotten even close to saving my home on my own. I did give it a good effort, but I am so glad that I found you to be my advocate.

Thank you,  
Client

## Goal 2

The conditions in which low-income people live are improved.

### **Family Assets for Independence in Minnesota**

*Family Assets for Independence in Minnesota (FAIM)* is designed to help Hennepin County residents build assets through purchase of a first home, pursuit of a higher education, or capitalization of a small business. The program is supported by federal and state funding, county governments and private foundations.

FAIM helps low-wage earners save money by tripling each dollar they save. Program participants save \$40 each month in a special savings account. Those savings are matched at a 3 to 1 rate. The means for every \$40 saved, FAIM will add \$120 a month, plus earned interest.

In 2008, 60 households, totaling 158 individuals, benefited from the FAIM program at CAPSH.

As part of the program, CAPSH sponsors its Financial Security Workshop, a free educational series that provides area families with the tools they need to become more financially secure.

The workshops focus on:

- Budget to create savings
- Reduce debt and build assets
- Build a good credit rating
- Protect themselves from fraud and abuse

Developing skills to be financially stable and secure is not only beneficial to the family but to the entire community. CAPSH is proud to provide this service and pleased to do it at no cost.



## Goal 2 Continued

The conditions in which low-income people live are improved.

### Home Rehab, Maintenance & Repair

Once a community member owns a home, maintaining it is important. CAPSH'S *Home Rehab, Maintenance & Repair Program* assists low-income individuals and families in prioritizing projects to improve their homes.

The CAPSH Home Rehab Specialists help homeowners:

- Inspect their homes for needed repairs
- Prioritize their repairs
- Locate grants and loans to finance home repairs
- Learn about the bidding and contract process
- Become familiar with how to choose a qualified contractor
- Learn more about hazardous substances, such as lead, asbestos, and mold.



In 2008, 259 households in suburban Hennepin County were served by CAPSH's Home Rehab, Maintenance & Repair Program (including energy related repairs). Many of the people served by this program are senior citizens who cannot afford to repair their homes on their own. The Home Rehab, Maintenance & Repair Program ensures that they are able to live in a safe home.

### Reverse Mortgage Counseling

In collaboration with the Minnesota Senior Federation, CAPSH provides the Reverse Mortgage Program which allows homeowners 62 years of age or older to borrow against their home equity without having to make monthly payments. The money gained can be used to pay health-care, home repairs, or daily living expenses. This gives clients the opportunity for a regular monthly income without the pressure of repaying the loan as long as they live in their home.

CAPSH Reverse Mortgage Counselors provide counseling sessions for seniors informing them about the reverse mortgage process. Clients' families are also encouraged to attend the session. In 2008, 82 clients enrolled in CAPSH's Reverse Mortgage Program.

## Goal 3

Low-income people own a stake in the community.

### Hennepin County Votes

Low voter turnout is a continuing problem in U.S. politics. Nevertheless, setting itself apart from the rest of the country, the State of Minnesota has been successful in encouraging its residents to vote. According to State-Master.com, Minnesota ranks at number one for total votes as percentage of those who qualify, coming in at 76.7%.



In efforts to ensure a high level of voter participation, CAPSH developed the *Hennepin County Votes program*. The program strives to improve voting levels through a variety of strategies designed to inform and empower potential voters to make their voice heard. Also, with the growing immigrant and refugee population in our communities, we believe it is important to provide them with the necessary tools for understanding the importance of voting. To meet these goals, in 2008, as an example, CAPSH partnered with Brooklyn Park Hennepin Library and offered Voter Education & Registration workshops.

To encourage voting, CAPSH encouraged staff to engage in community non-partisan voting events on Election Day. Staff reminded family, friends and neighbors to vote, offered rides to voters, assisted with registration, helped with filling out ballots and baked goods for voters and election judges.



## Goal 3 Continued

Low-income people own a stake in the community.

### **First-Time Homebuyer Education & Counseling**

The CAPSH First-Time Homebuyer Program offers workshops, counseling and advice helping prospective homebuyers understand the path to homeownership.

A part of the First-time Homebuyer Program is the *Home Stretch Homebuyer Workshop*. The workshop, which is held 24 times throughout the year, incorporates multiple aspects of homeownership, from evaluation of the household's financial situation to the legal rights of owning a home. During the workshops, clients hear from experts in real estate, lending and home inspections. In these sessions, potential homeowners may also receive a credit report and learn how that might affect the mortgage application process. Through these workshops, clients gain a better understanding of the purchasing process as well as future maintenance of the home. In 2008, 315 individuals and couples attended a Home Stretch Homebuyer Workshop.

CAPSH also offers individualized counseling for first-time homebuyers. Counseling helps clients remove barriers, identify best financial options and create a realistic plan for homeownership.

CAPSH also offers the Home Stretch Homebuyer Workshops and counseling in Spanish, and makes available translators and interpreters as needed.

### *Success Story*

A client was referred to CAPSH by the Program Administrator from West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust (WHAHLT), also known as Homes Within Reach (HWR). This young woman had some credit issues. She attended the Home Stretch workshop in November 2008, and then began working with CAPSH's First-Time Home Buyer Counselor to resolve her issues in order to be able to purchase a home. According to the counselor, "[she] is probably the most motivated and dedicated individual that I have met in the few years I have been in this position. She told me several months ago that "I will purchase in 2009!"

"She has taken my advice and done everything required to meet the criteria to purchase through HWR. As of right now, this client will close on her first home prior to the end of March. How exciting! It is always good when a plan comes together!"

## Goal 4

Partnerships among supporters and providers of services to low-income people are achieved.

### Planning & Development Services

The CAPSH Planning and Development Department offers a wide range of services to local community, and grass-roots organizations.

Below are some of the services the department offers:

#### **Organizational Services:**

- Serve as the fiscal agent and prepare legal documents to establish a non-profit organization
- Help organize and train boards of directors

#### **New Programs Assistance:**

- Facilitate the development of new programs by providing administrative and financial tools
- Provide start-up operating assistance for 2 to 3 years until the program is well established

#### **Technical and Marketing Assistance:**

- Provide computer and technical expertise
- Develop effective marketing materials

#### **Planning & Development Assistance:**

- Work with groups and organizations to develop a long-term strategic plans
- Assist in developing mission and vision statements



#### *Success Story*

In 2008, CAPSH worked with *Gifts For Seniors*, a program that began at Hennepin County, to provide gifts to the county's most isolated seniors. Due to Hennepin County's withdrawal from the program, CAPSH has been working with *Gifts for Seniors* serving as the fiscal agent, working to revise and streamline processes and increase financial and other resources. As a result of the strides made by GFS and its dedicated Board, GFS was able to increase the number of isolated seniors who are assisted through the program. CAPSH's Communication Development efforts impacted over 2,000 seniors who received gifts over the holiday season through this wonderful program.

## Goal 5

Agencies increase their capacity to achieve results.

### Community Partner Programs

Part of Community Action's goal is to create links within suburban Hennepin County and partner with other organizations to expand the services available to low-income individuals and families. In 2008 CAPSH continued to provide office space for Lutheran Social Services and HIRED to improve accessibility to financial and employment counseling services to low-income residents.

*Lutheran Social Services (LSS)* is one of the largest providers of full-service, community-based financial counseling in Minnesota. The program offers a Budget Counseling Program that is available to individuals concerned about their financial situation or who are having difficulty with debt. A Certified Consumer Credit Counselor (certified through the National Foundation for Credit Counseling) helps clients achieve the desired financial goals by developing a workable spending plan and identify issues for better money management. For those whose income allows them to meet their day-to-day expenses, but who are struggling to make payments to their creditors, LSS offers a Debt Management Plan which helps repay debt in full with one monthly payment.



In 2008, LSS counselors located at CAPSH helped over 5,248 people in suburban Hennepin County become more financially stable.



*HIRED* is a workforce development organization whose mission is to provide personalized and innovative work solutions. The program offers a wide range of programs to help low-income and other job seekers prepare for and obtain employment. At its CAPSH location, HIRED, through a partnership with Hennepin Technical College, runs its *M-Powered Program* which prepares jobseekers for entry-level jobs at a wide range of manufacturing firms. The training covers basic skills that manufacturing employers require. During 2008, HIRED served 113 new clients at the CAPSH location.

## Goal 6

Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive systems.

### Food Support Program



CAPSH helps people apply for the *Food Support program* to help them avoid a situation where they have to choose between paying their bills and feeding their families.

Food Support is a county-administered program that provides money for low-income people to purchase food for themselves and their families.

Today, there is about a 64% participation rate in the Food Support Program. CAPSH is working to improve the participation rate by helping potential recipients apply for help. In addition, in efforts to increase participation, CAPSH has formed initiatives to promote food support outreach. CAPSH's goals are to educate the community about the purpose and use of the program, to dispel the myths associated with the program, and increase access to information and application of the program.

In 2008, CAPSH provided information on food support for 1,585 individuals and families, and assisted 78 clients with the application process.

### Tax Assistance Program

CAPSH provides free income tax preparation and e-filing for low to moderate income individuals and families. The tax program, put on in collaboration with AccountAbility Minnesota (AAM), is proving to be tremendously valuable. During the months of February, March and April, trained CAPSH staff members and volunteers prepared federal, state and property tax returns for individuals earning less than \$35,000 and families earning \$45,000 or less annually.

In 2008, the program completed tax returns for 460 households, which resulted in \$832,099 in federal, state, and property tax refunds for low income households in suburban Hennepin County. These refunds help people meet their basic needs and help boost the economies of our local communities.

## Goal 6 Continued

Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive systems.

### Energy Assistance Program (EAP)

*The Energy Assistance Program is CAPSH's federally-funded program that helps low-income households pay home heating costs and energy bills. The program provides direct payment to the energy supplier, educates consumers to use heating and energy efficiently, provides crisis help for utility disconnections and offers emergency heating system repair or replacement.*

During the 2008 heating season, the Energy Assistance Program at CAPSH assisted 14,231 households with energy related issues. This translates into 24,546 people in suburban Hennepin County who were helped by the program.

### *Success Story*

A couple from Plymouth had been injured in an accident a few years ago and were forced to take early retirement in the form of SSDI. Since they had recently paid off their mortgage they thought they would be able to cope with their expenses. However, about a year later, gas prices hit an all time high, and utility and groceries began to get so expensive that the couple was forced to choose between paying their gas and electric bills and buying food and medicine.

The couple was uncomfortable with the idea of asking for help from their local Emergency Service Provider. One day they came across an ad insert in their local Sun/Sailor paper for Energy Assistance. Deciding that this might be the "lesser of 2 evils" in terms of asking for assistance, they contacted EAP at CAPSH and were stunned to learn about the services available and the assistance they could receive that would relieve the current crisis they were facing. "We were a bit embarrassed to go to the local food shelf," the couple stated. "The grant we received from EAP was enough to catch up our past due balances as well as allow us to arrange for affordable monthly payments. That meant we could better budget our minimal financial resources for groceries and medicines."

The couple was so thankful that they sent a note to the EAP staff, simply stating "thank you. We couldn't have made it with out you".

# Financial Statement

## Statement of Financial Position as of Dec. 31, 2008

### Assets 2008

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Current assets:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 403,518.00
Investments	\$ 53,403.00
Grants receivable	\$ 258,317.00
Accounts receivable	\$ 2,999.00
Prepaid expenses	\$ 76,404.00

Total Current Expenses \$ 794,641.00

Property and equipment:

Furniture and fixtures	\$ 84,254.00
Accumulated depreciation	\$ (49,684.00)

Total property and equipment, net \$ 34,570.00

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 829,211.00

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### Liabilities and Net Assets 2008

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Current liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$ 4,627.00
Due to fiscal agents	\$ 3,367.00
Accrued expenses	\$ 64,911.00
Grant funds received in advance	\$ 164,232.00

Total current liabilities \$ 237,137.00

Net assets:

Unrestricted:	
Undesignated	\$ 538,671.00
Board designated for future initiatives	\$ 53,403.00
Total unrestricted net assets	<u>\$ 592,074.00</u>

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS** \$ 829,211.00

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# Financial Statement

## Statement of Activities as of Dec. 31, 2008

Unrestricted public support and revenue.	
Public support:	
Government grants	\$2,846,878.00
Contributions	\$ 24,050.00
Total public support	<u>\$2,870,928.00</u>
Revenue:	
Investment income (loss)	\$ (1,448.00)
Other revenue	\$ 17,376.00
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 15,928.00</u>
Total unrestricted public support and revenue	<u>\$2,886,856.00</u>
Expenses:	
Program services:	
Community development	\$ 175,885.00
Housing services	\$ 963,667.00
Energy assistance	\$1,036,076.00
Other	\$ 132,964.00
Total program services	<u>\$2,308,592.00</u>
Supporting services:	
Management and general	\$ 554,787.00
Fundraising	\$ 20,172.00
Total expenses	<u>\$ 574,959.00</u>
Changes in unrestricted net assets	\$ 3,305.00
Unrestricted net assets - beginning of year	<u>\$ 588,769.00</u>
Unrestricted net assets-end of year	<u>\$ 592,074.00</u>

# Financial Statement

## Statement of Cash Flows as of Dec. 31, 2008

Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents:	
Cash flows from Operating activities:	
Change in net assets	<u>\$ 3,305.00</u>
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$ 23,610.00
Realized and unrealized (gain) loss on investments	\$ 20,920.00
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	
Grants receivable	\$ (105,119.00)
Accounts receivable	\$ 18,282.00
Prepaid expenses	\$ (9,388.00)
Accounts payable	\$ (21,860.00)
Accrued expenses	\$ (33,190.00)
Grant funds received in advance	\$ (278,849.00)
Funds held for others	\$ 3,367.00
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>\$ (378,922.00)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Proceeds fro sale of investments	\$ 10,197.00
Purchase of property and equipment	\$ -
Purchase of investments	<u>\$ (13,273.00)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>\$ (3,076.00)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (381,998.00)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>\$ 785,516.00</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u><u>\$ 403,518.00</u></u>

## 2008 Supporters

Community Action could not exist without community support. It is thanks to the generosity of our donors that we at Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin are able to change lives and improve communities. Thank you to those who donated in 2008.

Erik Aamothe ★ Ameriprise Financial ★ Brookdale Library ★ CEAP ★ Charlotte Wilkinson ★ City of Bloomington ★ City of Brooklyn Park ★ City of Eden Prairie ★ City of Edina ★ City of Maple Grove ★ City of Minnetonka ★ City of New Hope ★ City of Plymouth ★ City of Richfield ★ Claire O'Connor ★ Community Corner ★ Dubbs & O'Meara, Inc. ★ Eden Prairie Library ★ Edwina Garcia ★ Fidelity ★ Fiterman Foundation ★ Hopkins-Minnetonka Resource Center ★ IWJ Charitable Foundation ★ Jeanne McTottle ★ Jimmy Wilson ★ John Helling ★ Kavitha Muppidi ★ Lallak ★ Liberty Diversified Industries ★ Linda Pearson ★ Maria Martin ★ Maria Sperduto ★ MIRA ★ Mizpah Church ★ MMFPA ★ Money Gram ★ Northport Medical Center ★ Oak Grove Lutheran Church ★ Paul & Judy Sperduto ★ Ridgedale Library ★ Robert Muller ★ ROFW ★ Rogers Library ★ Royalton Heating & Cooling Co. ★ Ronan's ★ Ruth Ruffin ★ Southdale Library ★ Sandra Spigner ★ St. Alphonsus Church ★ Westonka Library ★ Wolfensen ★ Wright County ★ Wright Hennepin Trust ★ Youth Energy Assistance

## 2008 Volunteers

Aaron Miller ★ Alexander Howard ★ Allison Laird ★ Annette Ronan ★ Anthony Howard ★ Arthur Howard ★ Barb Graham ★ Bob Hall ★ Brad Affeldt ★ Bryce Plocharz ★ Char Wilkinson ★ Dennis Hogan ★ Dorothy Janssen ★ Edwina Garcia ★ Elizabeth Aronson ★ Erik Aamothe ★ Jane Laird ★ Janis Callison ★ Jeanne McTottle ★ Jeff Gessell ★ Jennifer Rubenzer ★ Jim Nelson ★ Joanna Taguinod ★ Joel Liesener ★ John Purdy ★ John Ronan ★ Kevon Manning ★ Kristin Rial ★ Latrece Foster ★ Linda Pearson ★ Lisa Pearl ★ Marty Kirsch ★ Marvin Johnson ★ Mark Matasovsky ★ Matthew Smith ★ Maxine Timm ★ Mike Tanghe ★ Mike Weiland ★ Nancy Healy ★ Ruth Ruffin ★ Sandra Spigner ★ Tom Reidy ★ Uchoti Kuyomba

Thank you to all who volunteer their time and talents to help  
CAPSH improve lives and change communities in suburban Hennepin County.

## **CAPSH is proud to collaborate with the following organizations in suburban Hennepin County:**

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