

History

In 1967, late spring rains inundated the rural areas of Yolo County, keeping many of the county's migrant workers from the fields. Without income, they had no way to pay for food or housing. STEAC was born to provide emergency aid to them. Volunteers did (and still do) everything from donating money to delivering food for those in need, and more.

Funding

About 85 percent of STEAC's income is from individual donations, which provide funding for operations, special projects and needs. The remaining funds are provided by private and government grants. Individual donors also provide support with gifts of stocks, bonds, mutual funds and other non-cash items. STEAC also receives support from bequests, memorials and other planned gifts.

STEAC is a public benefit, nonprofit corporation with tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code (TAX ID: 94-6138684).

Achievements

Since 1967, STEAC has played an important role in Yolo County by keeping families together, brightening many holidays for low income families, setting the model for providing service to the public, introducing many to the world of volunteerism, and helping create a generation of charitable donors.



From 2000 to 2015, STEAC was able to provide help 42,496 times to an individual or family, including 833,000 meals, and 5,706 families served by the Holiday Program.

Types of help during this time frame were Food (48%), Holiday Adoption (13%), Rental Assistance, Utilities and Motel (11%), Miscellaneous (Car Repair, Education, Gas, Medical, Transportation, Suit Up for Success, Job Assistance, Furniture, Other) (11%), Clothing (9%), and Legal Documents (8%).

How You Can Help

- Donate money by mailing a check (payable to STEAC) or online on our website.
- Donate at your workplace through the United Way or other corporate giving and matching programs. STEAC is a certified partner agency of the United Way.
- Donate cash equivalents (e.g. appreciated stocks, bonds, mutual funds) or real property, or remember STEAC in your estate planning or bequests.
- Adopt a family during STEAC's holiday program.
- Donate goods like food year around and coats during the winter months.
- Donate your time by becoming a volunteer.



How to Get Help

Financial Assistance

- ◆ You must be a low-income resident of Yolo County. See STEAC website for guidelines.
- ◆ If your referral agency determines that you are an appropriate client for STEAC's services, the agency will contact STEAC on your behalf.
- ◆ The minimum requirements for assistance are income verification and a valid ID for each household member.

Food Assistance

- ◆ Clients are low-income Davis residents only, and are served by appointment only.
- ◆ Clients are screened and referred by local social service agencies.
- ◆ Clients can receive this service no more than once per month.
- ◆ Families with children enrolled in the Davis Joint Unified School District's free lunch program can call the STEAC office to request an appointment at the food closet.

Referral Agencies

- ◆ See website for list of referral agencies.

STEAC

Short Term Emergency Aid Committee



*Extending a helping hand
in Yolo County since 1967*

Mission

To provide immediate short-term assistance with basic necessities to Yolo County families and individuals with income below the poverty level.

STEAC is committed to enlarging the social awareness of the community and to provide opportunities for local citizens to help others in need.



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STEAC Programs & Services

Homeless Prevention

STEAC helps Yolo County's low-income residents through a temporary housing emergency with these services:



◆ Rental Assistance

Preventing Evictions

STEAC provides emergency rental assistance so that low-income residents can pay rent and not be evicted from their homes.

◆ First Month's Rent

Helping Overcome Housing Barrier

STEAC provides cash assistance to help residents pay for first month's rent in long-term housing.

◆ Utility Assistance

Keeping Power from Being Cut Off

Cash assistance is given to residents in order to prevent their utilities from being turned off or to have them restored.

Community Awareness

Community Volunteers

Promoting Awareness

Residents are encouraged to become more aware of community problems and needs by serving as a STEAC volunteer.

Volunteers work on collecting and distributing food, answering the phone, assisting with office work, and helping with the holiday program.



Road to Independence

STEAC helps residents overcome barriers to becoming employed with these services:



◆ Education

Gaining Job Skills

STEAC provides funding for students to buy books at Woodland Community College.

◆ Employment

Getting Licenses Needed to Work

STEAC pays for courses needed for residents to operate a forklift and safely handle food.

◆ Family Expenses

Help with Day-by-Day Essentials

Assistance is provided for expenses associated with legal documents, drivers' licenses, bus passes and more.

◆ Suit Up for Success

Providing Clothes for Job Seekers

STEAC provides free work attire for job seekers to wear for employment interviews.

Partnerships

Working with Community Coalitions

Ensuring Efficient Delivery of Services

STEAC is an active participant in the work of the Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition, Yolo Nonprofit Leaders Alliance and other coalitions working to ensure efficient delivery of services.

Helping Hand

STEAC lends a helping hand by providing everyday needs for the most vulnerable residents with these services:



◆ Free Food

Feeding Families in Need

STEAC provides five days worth of free food to Davis residents from a food closet located in Davis. This service is available once a month to each qualified applicant.

◆ Holiday Adopt-A-Family

Providing Gifts and Food for Families

Thanks to generous donations and volunteer efforts, STEAC annually helps nearly 400 low-income families in Davis have a happy holiday season with gifts, food and warm winter coats.

◆ Food Packs for Kids

Providing Weekend Food for Students

STEAC provides a bag of food on Friday afternoons to elementary students in Davis on the free lunch program. This service helps them stave off hunger over the weekend so that they can arrive Monday mornings ready and able to focus in the classroom.