Thank you for your support!

Dedicated to People & Communities

At Community Action we provide access and opportunity for those we serve and those who support our efforts. Through innovative programs and strong community partnerships we eliminate barriers, establishing clear pathways to economic self-reliance.

Since 1965, Community Action has worked hard every day to achieve this mission, by reducing poverty that already exists in our communities, and preventing it from happening to local families and individuals in the first place.

Addy took her first steps at Twin Oaks. For most of her life, she and her mom slept on friends’ couches in Walworth County. Addy is a happy little girl with a strong desire to learn about her surroundings. Her infectious smile brightened even the darkest moments for other residents facing crisis.

Ella, Nick, Ian and Izzy only sporadically attended elementary school when they came to Twin Oaks with their parents. While they were at Twin Oaks, it was the first time they consistently went to the same school. All four excelled in the classroom and would come home telling everyone about their new friends at school. The kids spent extra time reading books from Twin Oaks’ on-site library.

With your support in 2019, we were able to help 166 people facing a housing crisis. Sixty-five of those people were children under 18. Thank you!
There are many misconceptions about the causes of homelessness. At Twin Oaks many of our residents have suffered a crisis such as:

- Domestic violence
- Medical bills that drained their finances
- A sudden loss of a job
- Inability to work due to disability

Whatever the cause, we know that homelessness is a real obstacle for many families in our area. Twin Oaks is only a temporary solution, but our shelter provides a stepping stone to permanent, stable housing.

Besides housing and shelter—most residents are with us for 60 days—Twin Oaks Shelter for the Homeless provides:

- One-on-one case management to help resolve crises and find stable housing
- Workshops to build residents’ knowledge and skills in areas such as employment, landlord-tenant relationships, budgeting, stress management, nutrition, and addressing mental health
- A community kitchen and food pantry
- A laundry room
- A library and resource room
- An outdoor playground and gardens

Contact Twin Oaks staff directly
(262) 882-3662
twinoaksshelter@community-action.org

Our application is also available online at www.community-action.org

Read more about the impact of Community Action’s programs:

Volunteer work days ● Regular shelter shifts
Help at fundraising events ● Lead a workshop
Provide respite child care ● Organize donations
Coordinate a donation drive ● Be an advocate
Share our mission with friends on social media

We accept monetary and in-kind donations, but please call ahead to ensure we have space to store your donation if we can’t immediately use it. The items we use most frequently:

- Cleaning supplies, mops, brooms
- Paper towels and toilet paper
- Personal care products
- Washcloths, hand towels, bath towels

A list of top needs is also included in our e-newsletter, along with success stories, volunteer highlights and upcoming events. Subscribe online at www.community-action.org or send an email to info@community-action.org.

Community Action is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.