

Community Action:

Confronting Economic Challenges With Opportunities For Change



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FACA Self-Sufficiency Award

The FACA Self-Sufficiency Award was established by the Florida Association for Community Action (FACA), Inc. to recognize and honor achievements by individuals who, with the assistance of a Community Action Agency (CAA), have changed their lives and achieved economic independence.

The FACA Self-Sufficiency Award represents what Community Action is all about: “*Helping people and changing lives*”. Community Action Agencies have been honoring “*Achievers*” by opening doors and leading the way from poverty to economic independence since 1964. Every CAA has success stories of program participants. With this award, the Association seeks to honor those individuals who have turned hope into reality.

Eligibility Criteria

The individual nominated must have:

- Changed his or her life and achieved economic self-sufficiency with the assistance of a Community Action Agency;
- Contributed to improving his or her community through advocacy, volunteerism, public service, or some other vehicle.

Nomination Procedures

FACA members may nominate a candidate by submitting the following:

- Official Nomination Form
- A Narrative of no more than two pages demonstrating the nominee’s eligibility for this award
- Supporting material (e.g., press clippings, articles, letters, or photos)

Please adhere to the nomination guidelines to ensure the candidates eligibility. The nomination packet must include the official nomination form, narrative, and letter(s) of support. If your nominee is selected, the Florida Association for Community Action will request that you provide a three-minute videotape featuring your award nominee. This video of the award recipient will be presented during the *Opening Luncheon* at the 2009 FACA Annual Conference in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

Selection and Submission Deadline

The Executive Director of the Community Action Agency award recipient will be notified at least one month before the Conference. The Award will be presented during the *Opening Luncheon* and nominations must be received or postmarked by **April 3, 2009** to be considered. The award winner will be invited to attend the *Opening Luncheon* ceremony. The Nominating Agency must provide travel for the Award recipient.