

Shawnee Development Council, Inc.  
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# Program Information



**Your Community Action Agency  
serving southernmost Illinois  
since 1965.**

## Helping People... Changing Lives

Shawnee Development Council, Inc. is a non-profit Community Action Agency designated by the State of Illinois Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Program. SDC seeks to involve the community, including elected public officials, private sector representatives, and low-income residents in assessing local needs and attacking the causes and conditions of poverty.

It is the mission of Shawnee Development Council, Inc. to enable individuals, families, and communities to determine their needs and obtain the resources required to accomplish their goals of self-sufficiency and a better quality of life.

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618-287-7071

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Vienna, IL 62995  
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Mounds, IL 62964  
618-745-6388

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1000 N. Main Street  
PO Box 439  
Anna, IL 62906  
618-833-7431



## Additional Offices

**WIA Case Management**  
Shawnee Community College  
8364 Shawnee College Rd  
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**Illinois Employment & Training Center**  
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# Summary of Services

Shawnee Development Council, Inc. (SDC) is a private non-profit community action agency which serves the residents of Alexander, Hardin, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, and Union counties in southernmost Illinois. The following programs and services are currently administered by SDC:

[Community Care Program \(CCP\)](#): Provides homemaker services such as light house-keeping, transportation to the doctor and for essential shopping, personal care, meal preparation, laundry, etc. to persons 60 years of age and over who need help in certain areas, but who are otherwise capable of staying in their own home.

[Community Food Distribution](#): Food pantries are operated in Hardin, Pope, Pulaski, and Union counties. In an effort to reduce hunger, food items are provided to low-income individuals.



[Community Services Block Grant \(CSBG\)](#): This program provides a range of services which assist low-income people to attain

the skills, knowledge, and motivation necessary to achieve self-sufficiency. The program also may offer low-income people immediate life necessities such as food, shelter, medicine, etc.

[Economic Development Loan Program](#): This program is designed to assist economic development in the local community and for the purpose of creating jobs for low-income individuals. Low interest loan funds are available for starting a new business or for a business expansion.

[Emergency Assistance Program](#): Provides financial assistance to eligible low-income clients in meeting a variety of emergency needs, such as food, shelter, clothing, medical, utilities, etc.

[Family and Community Development \(FCD\)](#): A two-year program in which a certified FCD specialist works individually with families to develop goal oriented action plans for self-improvement and family stability.



[Housing Program](#): This program provides assistance to income eligible homeowners through new home construction and a variety of rehabilitation and preservation programs to have affordable, safe, decent, and energy efficient homes.

[Illinois Employment and Training Center \(IETC\)](#): A resource center composed of a partnership of local agencies providing information and access to the services of each agency. Services are provided at no charge to job seekers, employers, and the community. It also includes an extensive resource library

and materials to assist the public with their job search. Computers with Internet access and other office equipment are available for public use.

[Illinois Department of Human Services Homeless & Homeless Prevention](#): Provides financial assistance to eligible clients who are experiencing a need for rental or utility assistance, shelter, food, and supportive services.

[Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program \(IHWAP\)](#): Services designed to help low-income residents save fuel and money, while increasing the comfort of their homes. Services may include insulation, repairing windows and doors, and, inspection of the current heating system by an experienced heating contractor.



[Individual Development Account \(IDA\)](#): A matched savings program to help eligible low-income individuals accumulate funds to use for post secondary education, purchase a home, or start a small business.

[Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program \(LIHEAP\)](#): Provides energy conservation counseling and assistance with fuel and energy bills to eligible low-income households. Emergency assistance may be available for households disconnected from an energy source or denied delivery of fuel. Emergency furnace assistance may be available to income eligible homeowners to restore the heating system to safe and effective operation by appropriate repair or replacement of the unit.

[Retired and Senior Volunteer Program \(RSVP\)](#): Provides volunteer opportunities for persons 55 years of age and older within their community. The program encourages older adults to remain active by utilizing their skills, experience, and talents to the benefit of others.

[Scholarship Program](#): \$500 scholarships are available to low-income disadvantaged persons seeking higher academic attainment. Applications are available each spring for awards to be used in the summer or fall semesters.

[Senior Companion Program \(SCP\)](#): Promotes opportunities for persons age 60 or older to provide companionship to other home bound senior citizens. The senior companion may also provide respite to the family caregivers.

[Senior Community Service Employment Program \(Title V\)](#): An employment and training program designed to assist the older worker (55 and older) to re-enter the job market. Participants receive on-the-job training and upgrading of marketable skills. Work experience is provided through assignment to local not-for-profit organizations.

[Workforce Investment Act \(WIA\)](#): Provides education, career counseling, job training, placement assistance and supportive services for eligible youth and adults. The Dislocated Worker component of this program assists displaced homemakers and those who have lost their jobs due to plant closure or reduction in workforce with re-training in an occupational area of greater stability.

