



## Gateway Community Action Partnership

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### Agency Mission and CAP Promise

The agency's mission is to provide services that improve the quality of life and promote self-sufficiency.

**CAP Promise:** Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

### Contact Information

Rivers Edge Campus

Dear Gene,

The name Gateway Community Action Partnership reflects our expanded coverage area, but more importantly, it signifies what we are all about. We are a gateway to success for individuals and families in our community and we achieve those results through actions done in partnership within that very community we serve. So please take a minute to read our newsletter and learn more about our successes and struggles as we serve a Gateway to Community Action in Partnership with others for everyone's benefit!

### A Message From Albert B. Kelly, President And CEO Of Gateway Community Action Partnership

Spring is traditionally a time of hope and renewal.

At Gateway, hope and renewal are what we offer to individuals and families on a daily basis, season after season, Spring after Spring. This year is no exception.

Even as we navigate the difficult times created by the COVID-19 pandemic, our course is clear. To continue to help those most in need, most at risk and most vulnerable. Our challenge is greater as the number of people in dire need has increased exponentially, as has the spread of this dangerous virus.

We have not abandoned those most in need in their hour of need. We have modified our schedule to try and help all those negatively impacted by the many implications of this pandemic, but have done so with the health and safety of

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our Gateway family, our cherished and valued employees, in mind as well.

Our offices and outreach sites are closed Monday and Friday each week so that employees can work safely from home and still accomplish the tasks related to helping our brothers and sisters in need.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week our offices and outreach sites are open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to provide the essential services the community has counted on us to deliver for more than five decades. That service is being provided in accordance with social distancing protocols and health safety procedures for the good of our workers and for the good of those we are here to assist.

Sometimes this process might seem cumbersome and a delay to service delivery. But it is necessary to keep everyone safe and healthy. We remain here for you and committed to improving the quality of life and promoting self-sufficiency.

It is our hope that you and yours remain safe and healthy and know that better days are ahead for all of us, as we are all in this together.

Sincerely,

***Albert B. Kelly***

President and CEO  
Gateway CAP

**2020 Is The Year Of The Census! Please Participate!**

**Together, we can ensure  
that our community receives the  
resources it needs.**

**United States®  
Census  
2020**

**Learn more at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov).**

The United States Census 2020 affects every one of us, from the distribution of \$675 billion in federal funds to plans for future government services. We need you to complete the Census 2020

questionnaire. There are three ways to do it: online, by phone and by mail. We are all in this together. Help us get a Complete Count.



**Message from Albert B. Kelly,  
President and CEO of Gateway  
Community Action Partnership.**

**More Information On How To Participate In The 2020 Census**

**You can complete your 2020 Census through various different methods!**

- 1.) Go online via computer or your phones web browser:  
@ [2020CENSUS.GOV](https://2020census.gov)



Or for Spanish [2020CENSUS.GOV/ES](https://2020census.gov/es)

You can find the online translation for even more language's on  
[2020census.gov/en/languages](https://2020census.gov/en/languages)

- 2.) **Connect directly to a live Census service representative by calling toll free at:**

- English: 844-330-2020
- Spanish: 844-468-2020
- Chinese (Mandarin): 844-391-2020
- Arabic: 844-416-2020
- Portuguese: 844-474-2020
- Japanese: 844-460-2020



You can find even more languages at:

[2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond/responding-by-phone](https://2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond/responding-by-phone)

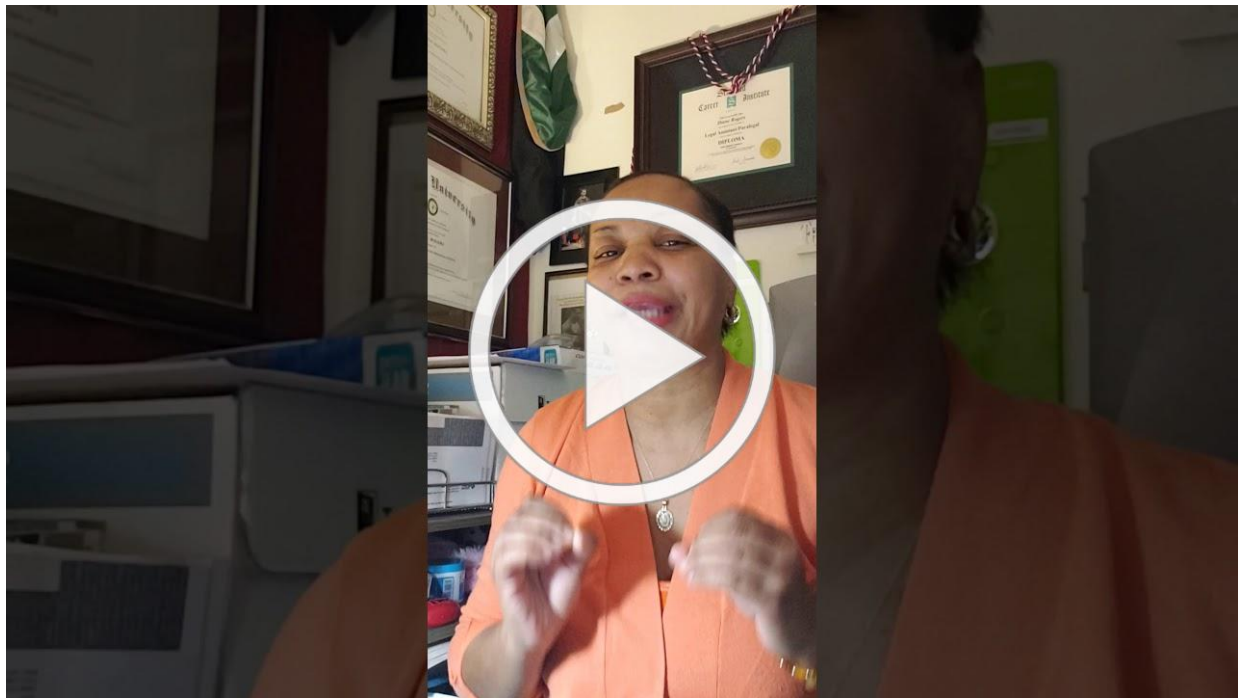
- 3.) **Responding through the mail is an available option for those households who haven't responded yet.**

**Just wait for a paper form questionnaire to arrive in your mailbox. Complete and return using the enclosed envelope!**



## Gateway Head Start Keeps Contact With Students With Remote Learning

Diane Fitzgerald from Gateway CAP's Swedesboro Head Start Center does a Simon Says lesson for students participating in remote learning at home.



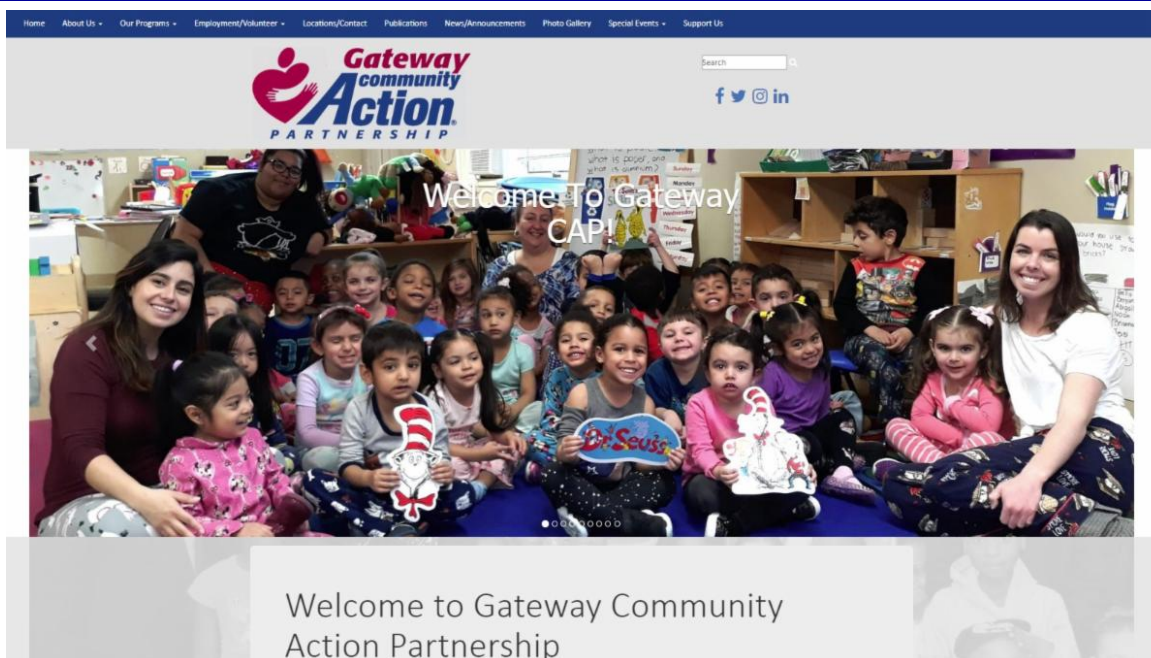
Simon Says Lesson work





Valentina Arana, from Ocean City Head Start, has a creative way of doing her lessons from home.

## Gateway Launches New And Improved Website To Better Serve Community



Gateway Community Action Partnership's new and improved website is now accessible at [www.gatewaycap.org](http://www.gatewaycap.org). The new site has some new features, a new look and an improved mobile version that allows users a better experience when visiting the site from a smartphone or tablet.

Among the changes:

Home Page - features an agency-wide calendar, live social media and news feeds, and promos for the Census and Gateway Golf Classic.

About Us - Features a new Board of Directors page with photos of the board officers and a new Executive Leadership page with photos of agency staff.

Programs - Revised program-specific pages, many with new photos, videos, graphics, and embedded direct email forms where clients can request additional information right from the page. New pages are now available for the **County Councils for Young Children** and **Gateway's Male Initiative Program**. The **Family Success Centers** page now features three separate event calendars and direct email for to each center coordinator. The **Greater Bridgeton Area Transit** page features a new video and interactive route map.

[Click Here To Check Out Our New Website!](http://www.gatewaycap.org)

Gateway CAP Helping Residents Through Emergency Assistance Food Pantry



**Albert B. Kelly, Gateway's President and CEO, assists at Gateway's Emergency Assistance Food Pantry.**

Gateway continues to provide food for those in need during the COVID-19 crisis. This month, 788 food boxes were distributed through our food pantry. In addition to direct distribution from our pantry, we also delivered or sent food to: Spring Gardens, some of the Foster Grandparents, Hopewell Senior Apartments, Riverwalk Senior Apartments, St. John's Food Pantry (Salem), Bridgeton Housing Authority sites, Holly City Family Success Center, Family Support Center of Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem, and Kidston Towers (Vineland). The Emergency Assistance Food Pantry will be open this week on Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The pantry is located at 65 Manheim Avenue in Bridgeton. Recipients will be served "at the door" rather than inside the building to pick up food. Please call 856-451-6330 for more information.

**A Warm Welcome To Gateway Community Action Partnership's Newest Employees**

**Welcome To Gateway CAP's New Hires!**

**Tanya Thomas, IT Project Manager**  
**Angela Hatzantonis, WIC**  
**Vincent Staub, Jr., Mill Creek Urban Farm**  
**Samantha Ivanic, Head Start**  
**Jocelyn Ponce, Head Start**  
**Salma Vega-Caluff, Early Head Start**  
**Ruth Rivera, Head Start**  
**Fatiha Nabaoui, Head Start**  
**Ashleie Gordy, Early Head Start**  
**Atika Louni, Head Start**

## Support Gateway CAP By Shopping At AmazonSmile

You can support Gateway's mission "to provide services that improve the quality of life and promote self-sufficiency" while shopping at Amazon's "AmazonSmile" during this holiday season or any time of year. Please click on the link below the next time you shop. More information about the program follows the link. Thank you.

**[Click Here To Donate To Gateway Through AmazonSmile!](#)**

### About AmazonSmile

#### What is AmazonSmile?

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Gateway Community Action Partnership every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to Gateway.

#### How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply click on the link above or go to smile.amazon.com from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

#### Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

#### Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

## Around Gateway Community Action Partnership ... News And Notes

**Internet Essentials**, a program offered by **Comcast**, gives income-eligible families **access to the Internet for \$9.95 a month** with no activation fee, equipment fees or price increases. Having the Internet enables children to do homework, type reports or do research and enables the parents to e-mail teachers as well as look for jobs, pay bills or find doctors. Gateway Community Action Partnership is working with Comcast to inform families of the program. To be eligible, low-income applicants need to show they are participating in one or more of a dozen different federal assistance programs, including Medicaid, SNAP, and SSI. They must reside in a Comcast service area and must not have subscribed to Comcast Internet in the last 90 days or have overdue Comcast bills. Also, low-cost computers are being offered for \$149.99 and free training is accessible if needed. To get more information or to sign up, visit [www.internetessentials.com](http://www.internetessentials.com) or call 1-855-846-8376. ... Gateway operates the **Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants & Children (WIC)** in Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Atlantic and Salem counties. The program provides supplemental foods, nutrition education, lactation support, immunization education and health care referrals to income-eligible pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children up to age 5. Gateway WIC serves more than 23,000 clients annually through flexible hours through its eight (8) offices and a full-service, health screening mobile office. WIC is an equal opportunity program. If you believe you have been discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age, sex or handicap, write immediately to: USDA, Director-Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC, 20250 - 9410. For additional information on the Gateway WIC program or nearest office location and hours of operation, call



the Gateway WIC program at 856-451-5600 or 856-225-5050. ... Gateway's **Head Start** program is once again sponsoring the **Child Care Food Program**. This program is designed to provide meals to children receiving services in Head Start centers located throughout Atlantic, Cape May, Mercer, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem counties. Meals are available at no separate charge to all children 12 and under enrolled in the Child Care Food Program and are served without regard to race, color, national origin, disability, age or sex.



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Sincerely,

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