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# NEWS

L-R) *Front row:* Kay Davis, H.S. Center Director, Judy Spires, CSBG/HEAP Program Director. *Back row:* Susan Johnson, H.S. Teacher, Bonnie Carpenter, H.S./E.H.S. Program Director, Gary Ricer, GMN CEO

COMMUNITY ACTION

## GMN 25 YEAR EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED

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Guernsey, Monroe, Noble Tri-County Community Action Corporation recently recognized 3 long-tenured, 25 year staff members, for their dedication and service to the underserved of our region. Elaine (Kay) Davis, Head Start Beech Grove Center Director, started out as a substitute Teacher at Lincoln School. Then, Day Care Mentor, for a brief stint. Followed by, Byesville H.S. Director/Teacher. With the consolidation of Byesville to Beech Grove, Kay began her duties as Beech Grove Center Director, where she currently serves.

Judy Spires, Community Services Block Grant/Home Energy Assistance Program, Program Director, commenced her employment with GMN, October 30, 1995, as an Intake Worker in the HEAP Department. Later, her title was PSA Program Services Assistant, also in HEAP. In 2014, Judy was elevated to current status of CSBG/HEAP Director. Judy commented upon receiving her award, "I have enjoyed working with all the clients we serve in the three county area, and working with the GMN family of employees!"

Susan Johnson, Head Start Teacher, Beatty Avenue. Susan started as a parent volunteer, experiencing local, state, and national event trainings, she further traveled through all three counties, observing each and every classroom. Susan proudly became Head Start Teacher, in the Cambridge area in 2005. Susan commented "I am a proud member of GMN's Head Start Division, so thankful for the opportunity to work with so many wonderful staff and families throughout the years!" In closing, Johnson stated "Teaching children to enjoy learning, and discover their talents, is my passion!"

Each 25 year service award recipient was presented an ebony wood, gold leaf plaque, recognizing their dedicated service, and a check for \$100!

GMN CEO, Gary Ricer, offered the highest praise for each award recipient. "These ladies are the epitome of what community action is all about! Each has served, for many years, with the utmost of respect and dedication in fulfilling our mission in the truest sense!"

The GMN Tri-County CAC is a private, non-profit, community action agency. The agency strives, in cooperating with business, labor, government, and community organizations, to improve the quality of life for low-income residents of Guernsey, Monroe, and Noble Counties. GMN CAC offers programs in Direct Employment, Head Start, Home Energy Assistance, Senior Services, Senior Companions, Weatherization, Information and Referral, and several other programs. GMN CAC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.