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2019 SPEAKER | KIM GUARDADO



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Kim Guardado is the Director for the Food Reservoir at Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP). HACAP is a large community action agency in East Central Iowa serving people in poverty to help them be successful and build strong communities.

Kim is a registered nurse and has been serving those in poverty for most of her career. In her time with HACAP, she served as a leader of health services for nearly two decades recently transitioning to the Food Reservoir to focus on fighting hunger as a condition of poverty. Most recently Kim has been a part of a team that has developed a local multiagency collaboration to increase effectiveness of care provided within community partners serving those affected by the social determinants of health. Since Kim began her nursing career she has been focused on serving those in need and addressing the whole person instead of just the illness at hand.

While not at work Kim enjoys spending time with her husband and two teenage daughters. She is active in her church and enjoys connecting with her friends when possible. She loves to travel and enjoys trying new restaurants. Professionally & personally, she is driven to connect people with the resources they need to be successful.

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION

Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP)

Hawkeye Area Community Action Program, Inc. (HACAP) is a diverse, community-focused nonprofit dedicated to empowering and improving the lives of families living with the everyday barriers of poverty. HACAP is a local Community Action Agency delivering services to families in Benton, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Linn and Washington counties since its incorporation in 1965. The HACAP Food reservoir also provides services in Cedar County. HACAP provides programs and services to homeless and low-income families. Major programming is in the areas of children and family services including Early Childhood services, Housing Stabilization services, Health services, Emergency Assistance and referral services. In total, HACAP administers more than fifty different programs, employs over 275 staff members and maintains an annual budget of over 32 million dollars. HACAP operates programs funded by federal, state, county, city, and private funding sources. The HACAP Mission above all is to help people develop the skills necessary to become successful and build strong communities. The HACAP Vision is a thriving community where all people have the opportunities for success.

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