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GENERAL NEWS

Hunter retires from CAC post

By Charles Mattox News Editor chmattox@carlislemercury.com After three decades of local community service, Margaret Hunter retired from the Community Action Council July 31. 'She's a wonderful lady who has always been willing to help anyone, and she has always gone above and beyond the call of duty when it came to helping the families of Nicholas County,' said Nicholas County Judge-Executive Larry Tischer. 'She has always been an asset for Nicholas County and has always worked hard for Nicholas County. The Community Action Council is a very worthy organization and Mrs. Hunter will be missed. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mrs. Hunter my entire life.' Hunter's dedication to helping serve the needs of the community parallels the Council's fundamental belief, as stated in the Council's 2006 annual report for Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas counties, is that 'All people in the community are connected. If the challenges faced by low-income people are addressed and they have the same opportunities enjoyed by the majority of the community, then the quality of life for the entire community is improved. Although Hunter has devoted over 32 years of service to the CAC, and she says she is ready for retirement, it is still easy to hear her devotion for the community when she talks about the organization she has been so closely identified with in Nicholas County. 'My compassion is for people in need,' Hunter said. 'We at the Community Action Council are a team and work together in a team of effort to help people. You don't realize what a person has been through until you've walked along the same path.

The whole purpose of Community Action Council (CAC) is to help low income people become self-sufficient. The biggest area that we help in are energy assistance and helping individuals search for new jobs, even though we haven't had a lot of job openings lately. We also work with the local food bank and the Food Pantry to provide housing and we also help with food weatherization. We help people acquire homes through Rural Development. We also operate a clothing bank so people who need clothing for themselves or their family can walk in and fill out an application and take any clothing they need. Everyone is welcome to come here.' Those who worked closely with Hunter in the past, such as Vernon Clark, a family services worker for 28 years with CAC, described Hunter's devotion to Nicholas County. 'She's very loyal to the Community Action Council and has always shown deep concern for the needs of the families of Nicholas County. She has always sought out available resources to help the community. As far as her employees, she takes her job very seriously but she also knows how to have fun. Missy Lyons, a 21-year children's services coordinator for the CAC's head start program, and who will be the acting interim director of the CAC summed up Hunter's devotion in one sentence. 'She's very supportive of the community and has made a very positive impact on the community and the staff.' Others at CAC, such as Joyce McFarland, a 22-year family services worker, said they will miss Hunter as the mission of CAC continues. 'She'll be very missed by our agency, by the staff and the people of Nicholas County. She is a wonderful and kind-hearted lady. She is considerate of all of the people of Nicholas County and her staff.' Hunter began serving the Nicholas County community in 1966, as a bus driver for the head start program. She was already a veteran of hard work by then. Margaret and her husband William Hunter have been married for 58 years and were both raised on still-farms, daughter, Rita Hunter, is a retired teacher who owns the Bennett House, a Bed and Breakfast for those 62 years of age and older. 'Helping provide nice, affordable housing at The Shepherd Place is only one of the many great things Mrs. Hunter has done for the community,' Carlisle Mayor Ronnie Clark said. 'She has been a blessing for the community. Her work ethic has been unreal. She's always been willing to go the extra mile for the people of Nicholas County. I'm proud to know her. She is a great Nicholas Countian.'

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Photo by Charles Mattox Margaret Hunter is retiring as director of the Community Action Council in Nicholas County. She has served in various posts for more than three decades. Mrs. Hunter, wife of William Hunter of Carlisle, has served the council for 32 years. Her retirement became official on July 31.