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GECAC Receives Funding to Support AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP Program

ERIE, PA — The Greater Erie Community Action Committee (GECAC) is pleased to announce it has received $197,500 in continuation funding through a federal AmeriCorps grant to support its AmeriCorps Seniors Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

This funding allows GECAC to empower older adults to stay active, engaged, and purposeful through volunteer service. Many participants bring decades of knowledge, skills, and life experience, and the program creates meaningful opportunities for them to continue contributing throughout Erie County.

RSVP helps meet some of the most pressing needs in the community. Nearly 400 seniors volunteer at food banks and pantries, deliver meals through GECAC's Meals on Wheels program, and support a variety of community initiatives, including building toys for children. Without these volunteers, many local organizations would struggle to meet demand.

"Through RSVP, we are not only meeting critical community needs, but also empowering older adults to share their time, talents, and experience in ways that strengthen Erie County for everyone," said Kyle Hagstrom, RSVP Director.

GECAC remains committed to empowering older adults, strengthening families, and building more resilient communities across Erie County. This funding represents a meaningful step forward in reducing barriers, creating opportunities, improving quality of life, and recognizing the valuable contributions of volunteers.

For more information about the AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP program, please visit www.gecac.org.

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