- (1) ESTABLISHING A POOL OF RESOURCES TO SERVE A VARIETY OF COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS;
  - (2) DEVELOPING VERSATILE APPROACHES AND SERVICES; AND
- (3) IMPLEMENTING STOPGAP MEASURES PENDING THE EXPANSION OR MODIFICATION OF COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS.
  - (E) ENCOURAGING RESIDENT PARTICIPATION

## A COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SHALL:

- (1) ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS TO:
- (I) INFLUENCE THE CHARACTER OF THEIR COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS; AND
- $\qquad \qquad \text{(II)} \quad \text{PARTICIPATE} \quad \text{REGULARLY} \quad \text{IN} \quad \text{IMPLEMENTING} \quad \text{THOSE} \\ \text{PROGRAMS};$
- (2) PROVIDE THE NECESSARY TECHNICAL AND ADVISORY SUPPORT TO ENABLE LOW-INCOME PERSONS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS TO SECURE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THEMSELVES.
  - (F) SUPPORTING COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS.

A COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SHALL JOIN WITH AND ENCOURAGE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND OTHER PRIVATE OR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS THAT:

- (1) USE PRIVATE RESOURCES AND CAPABILITIES FOR NEW EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES;
- (2) STIMULATE INVESTMENTS THAT MEASURABLY REDUCE POVERTY IN AREAS OF CONCENTRATED POVERTY; AND
- (3) PROVIDE RESIDENTS IN THOSE AREAS WITH METHODS TO WORK WITH PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS, FIRMS, AND INSTITUTIONS TO SEEK SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS OF COMMON CONCERN.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 83B, § 12–101(h).

In the introductory language of subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "[i]n addition to the duties set forth elsewhere in this section" is deleted as implicit in the requirement that a community action agency fulfill the enumerated items in this title.

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the former reference to a "target" community is deleted as surplusage.

In the introductory language of subsection (c) of this section, the former reference to "affirmative" action is deleted as surplusage.