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## Missouri Association for Community Action

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### Representatives from Singapore visit Community Action in Missouri

*Description: Nine representatives from Singapore are visiting Missouri to learn new and creative ways to address poverty.*

[Jefferson City, MO, March 11, 2008] – Nine individuals from Singapore's Central District Community Development Council will be the guests of the Missouri Association for Community Action (MACA) in Jefferson City on Wednesday and Thursday, March 12-13<sup>th</sup>. They are visiting Missouri to learn more about how Community Action in Missouri is addressing poverty on a local level and how those projects and ideas might be applied in their country.

The Singapore representatives will visit a local community action agency in Marshall, Missouri as well as a housing development and Head Start center run by that agency. Elaine West, Executive Director of MACA, states, "This is an excellent opportunity to expand our social and economic partnerships, not only across states, but across cultures as well."

Singapore is one of the world's only remaining city-state governments and the smallest nation in Southeast Asia. They became acquainted with MACA through participation in a poverty simulation developed and hosted by MACA.

For more information regarding both the Singapore CDC and the Missouri Association for Community Action visit [www.centraisingaporecdc.org.sg/index.html](http://www.centraisingaporecdc.org.sg/index.html) and [www.communityaction.org](http://www.communityaction.org).

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