

# Helping People. Changing Lives. Kids Art Contest



## ENTER THE ART CONTEST!

C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation will be hosting an art contest that encourages children in kindergarten through twelfth grade (ages 5-18) to use their creativity and talent to raise awareness about how the programs of C.E.F.S. work to make a difference in their communities. Each age group will be assigned specific C.E.F.S. programs with submitted artwork representing only one of the programs assigned.

## CONTEST RECOGNITION

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each age group.

1st place - \$75 gift card (Visa/Mastercard)

2nd place - \$50 gift card (Visa/Mastercard)

3rd place - \$25 gift card (Visa/Mastercard)

Age groups & Program assignments:

**Group A** - Kindergarten to 4th grade

**Programs:** Meals on Wheels, CIPT

**Group B** - 5th grade to 8th grade

**Programs:** Head Start, Outreach, LIHEAP

**Group C** - 9th grade to 12th grade

**Programs:** WIOA, Weatherization, RSVP

Descriptions for each program are listed on the back of this form. More information can be found at [www.cefseoc.org](http://www.cefseoc.org).

Each winner's artwork, name, age and grade will be featured in the offices of C.E.F.S. and highlighted on the C.E.F.S. website and social media.

## CONTEST RULES

1. Entry deadline is December 1, 2022. Winners will be notified after judging. Contest winners will be officially announced via the C.E.F.S. website and social media in January 2023.
2. Children in kindergarten through twelfth grade who live in one of the seven C.E.F.S. service counties are eligible: Christian, Clay, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Moultrie, and Shelby. Only one entry per child.
3. The child must produce the artwork without assistance from anyone else. The entry must be original and not a copy of another work.
4. Artwork can be a drawing, painting, collage or other two-dimensional piece. Artwork must be vertical in layout (also known as portrait), without mat, frame or border and created on paper no larger than 16" x 20".
5. Artwork must represent one of the assigned programs to the age group.

## SUBMISSION RULES

Artwork and form may be submitted by mail or drop off.

1. The artwork must include on the back of the artwork: student first and last name, grade, teacher or parent name, school, home address, and parent phone. Use a separate piece of paper for this contact information and tape to the back of the artwork. Do not use staples or paperclips.
2. The contest may copy and modify any entry for reproduction. Artwork will not be returned and may be used for future promotions.
3. All entries must be postmarked to the address listed below no later than December 1, 2022.
4. Must include completed entry form with the artwork.

# C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation Program Descriptions



C.E.F.S. is a not for profit Community Action Agency serving the Illinois counties of Christian, Clay, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Moultrie, and Shelby. C.E.F.S. develops, implements, and evaluates social services programs to assist economically and socially disadvantaged people in their quest for greater self-sufficiency. We offer programs as diverse as the needs of the people in the communities we serve. **C.E.F.S. Mission Statement:** Provide opportunities for people in our communities through education and support to achieve and maintain stability.

**Central Illinois Public Transit (CIPT)** - CIPT provides transportation (rides) to community members who might not have a car to get to doctor, grocery store, or other appointments on white busses.

**Head Start** - Head Start provides home visit educational services to pregnant women and children ages 0-3 and preschool services to children ages 3-5.

**Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)** - LIHEAP helps community members with paying their gas and electric bills so they can heat their homes in the winter and cool their homes in the summer.

**Meals on Wheels** - Meals on Wheels provides meals for senior citizens who want to stay in their home. Meals are delivered by volunteers to the home bound senior citizen.

**Outreach** - We have an Outreach Office in each of our seven counties that assist people who are homeless, help people with housing, provide food pantries, and help people know about resources in our communities.

**Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)** - RSVP is for adults over the age of 55 who want to volunteer and serve in their communities.

**Weatherization** - Weatherization helps community members with making sure their heating systems, windows, and doors are properly keeping their homes weatherized during the summer and winter.

**Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)** - WIOA helps youth and adults who are looking for jobs and needing assistance with paying for school and books.

## C.E.F.S. Outreach Offices

Christian County - 220 West Franklin, Taylorville, IL, phone: 217-824-4712

Clay County - 835 West North, Flora, IL, phone: 618-662-4024

Effingham County - 1010 West Jefferson, Effingham, IL, phone: 217-347-7514

Fayette County - 517 West Gallatin Street, Vandalia, IL, phone: 618-283-2631

Montgomery County - 8353 Route 127, Taylor Springs, IL, phone: 217-532-5971

Moultrie County - 114 East Harrison, Sullivan, IL, phone: 217-728-7721

Shelby County - 515 North Cedar, Shelbyville IL, phone: 217-774-3532

*For more information about C.E.F.S. and our programs, visit our website at [www.cefseoc.org](http://www.cefseoc.org).*

# Helping People. Changing Lives. Kids Art Contest Entry Form



Artist's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist's Age: \_\_\_\_ Artist's Grade: \_\_\_\_ Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Artist's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School City: \_\_\_\_\_ School State: \_\_\_\_\_ School Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about the contest? \_\_\_\_\_

## Regulations

By entering the contest, each contestant and his or her parent, guardian and/or legal representative warrant that the submission is the contestant's original work. They contest to the use of the contestant's first and last name, artwork and grade while artwork is on display and other related promotional items without further permission, compensation or approval.

Original artwork submitted becomes the property of the contest sponsors. Winners assign all copyright, trademarks and other intellectual property rights related to their entries to the contest sponsors.

In consideration for the participation in this contest, contestants and their parents, guardians, and or legal representatives release, discharge, indemnify and agree to hold harmless the C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation, their employees, officers, directors, and partners from all claims, damages, demands, obligations, or losses of any kind related to this contest. Original artwork submitted becomes the property of these agencies. Winners assign all copyright, trademarks and other intellectual property rights related to their entries to previously mentioned agencies.

All communication regarding the contest, including announcement of winners, will be sent to the artists' parents. Please provide all information below.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Artwork submissions and entry forms mailed or dropped off.

By mail: **C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation, P.O. Box 928, Effingham, IL 62401**

By drop off: **C.E.F.S. Outreach Office** during normal business hours. A list of Outreach Office addresses are listed on the Program Description page.

Teachers - pick up: Please call Jamie at 217-342-2193 ext. 170

Please direct any questions to: **cefs@cefseoc.org** or call **Jamie at 217-342-2193 ext.170**