



Dear Friends,

There's something powerful about a community that comes together with purpose. When generosity meets opportunity, lives change. That spirit is exactly what makes our 2nd Annual Casino Night - "Gatsby Gamble" more than just a fun evening out — it's a night where glamour and goodwill combine to create real impact across West Central Missouri.

Inspired by the bold energy and timeless style of the Roaring Twenties, Gatsby Gamble invites you to step into an unforgettable evening of entertainment, connection, and celebration — all while supporting neighbors who are working toward brighter futures.

This year, proceeds from Casino Night will directly support West Central's mission of helping individuals and families achieve and maintain safe, stable housing. A secure home is the foundation for everything else — employment, education, health, and long-term success.

Each year, West Central Missouri Community Action Agency serves more than 25,000 individuals across our nine-county region. Our programs provide housing, energy assistance, energy conservation, and workforce training. In addition, our nonprofit community development corporation, New Growth, advances rural entrepreneurship through the Women's Business Center and the Start Here Network and helps farmers connect and build working relationships to make farm-to-table work. New Growth Transit, our volunteer-based transportation program, provides free rides to employment, medical care, food access, and other essential services.

When you attend, sponsor, or contribute to Gatsby Gamble, you are investing in safe homes, stronger families, and a more stable community. We hope you will join us for a memorable night filled with elegance, excitement, and meaningful purpose. Together, we can ensure that safe, stable housing remains within reach for the individuals and families we serve.

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary Lou Schussler".

Mary Lou Schussler
CEO, West Central Missouri Community Action Agency

