



The **EASY** Way To  
Build Stronger Families  
and Stronger Communities

## Trustworthy

Over 25% of Union County families are living below federally defined poverty levels and have to make very hard decisions each and every day. Decisions like having to choose between buying food or paying rent, make life extremely difficult. United Way of Greater Union County believes that strong families are the foundation of a strong community and our supporters, donors and contributors trust us to focus our efforts on addressing issues and creating opportunities for all.

## Family Success Centers

United Way of Greater Union County oversees a network of privately and publicly funded Family Success Centers where residents can find support and access programs and services for themselves or their families. Each year, over 1,000 families benefit and receive services such as job search and preparation training; emergency funds for housing or food; referrals to social services or counseling; and participation in parenting workshops, support groups or structured parent-child activities.

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UNITED WAY OF GREATER UNION COUNTY

## Our Role

Our mission is to break the cycle of poverty for our most vulnerable families. We fight for the health, education and financial stability of every person in our community.

We use data-driven strategies to engage the community in learning about these issues and finding ways to help families. Together, we garner support for programs and services that are focused on families and their education, health and financial well-being.

## Get Involved

Volunteer or give to your workplace fundraising campaign or corporate event. Make an online donation or use your workplace payroll deduction option. Every gift is invested in programs that directly serve our community's greatest needs.

## Get Connected

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# Building Stronger Families and Stronger Communities

United Way of Greater Union County funds more than 60 local programs and initiatives that provide lasting solutions.

## LEARNING & EDUCATION

High quality pre-school and after-school programs keep children safe and engaged in learning, increasing their chances of graduating on time.



## HEALTH & WELL BEING

Prenatal care for expectant mothers and mothers with young children; family counseling and mental health services to deal with trauma; and wellness initiatives for a healthier community.



## UNION COUNTY STATISTICS

**20%**

PREGNANT WOMEN DO NOT RECEIVE EARLY PRENATAL CARE

**70%**

OF 0-5 YEARS OLD LIVE WITH WORKING ADULTS, AND REQUIRE EARLY CHILD CARE

**31%**

TOTAL FAMILY INCOME IS SPENT ON LICENSED CHILD CARE (FOR A FAMILY WITH ONE INFANT AND ONE PRE-SCHOOL CHILD)

**18%**

YOUTH BETWEEN 18-24 YEARS OLD ARE UNEMPLOYED

**16%**

CHILDREN LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE (21,000 OF 132,000)

**11%**

RESIDENTS LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE

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The EASY Way

To Build Stronger Families and Stronger Communities!

## FINANCIAL SECURITY

Job readiness, occupational training, financial literacy and youth employment programs to support self-sufficiency and financial independence.



## SUPPORTING BASIC NEEDS

Healthy and fresh food, housing assistance and other lifesaving resources support families in crisis year-round, improving their overall quality of life.

