How you can help strengthen Union County

GIVE

Making a monetary or inkind contribution is the heart of United Way support. Many local businesses and corporations in Union County also conduct internal United Way campaigns, giving their employees an opportunity to donate, volunteer and become advocates for causes that matter to them.

ADVOCATE

You can make change happen by getting informed, educating friends and showing your passion about local issues that matter to you. Our affinity group Women United, is a great way to help strengthen the lives of women and children in your community.

VOLUNTEER

Volunteering is a great way to change someone's life. We assist individuals and groups from our community and business sector. Whether you'd like to be a part of our seasonal volunteer initiatives like Stuff the Bus and Season of Caring or set up you're own volunteer efforts, we are happy to assist.

Get involved with strengthening your community by visiting us online at uwguc.org or calling 908.353.7171.



OUR VISION & MISSION

United Way of Greater Union County envisions a community where all children and families achieve their potential through education, income stability, health and family strengthening.

Our mission is to improve lives and build strong communities by uniting individuals and organizations with the will, passion, expertise, and resources needed to solve problems.

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The facts

of 3rd graders in Union County did not meet the state's proficiency requirements for math and language arts

Source: acnj.org

of Union County families live below federally defined poverty levels and have to make difficult decisions every day no family should have to make.

of individuals in Union County do not have access

Source: njhealthmatters.org

Why invest in **United Way**

United Way of Greater Union County works to provide lasting solutions and measurable results. From supporting literacy and scholastic achievement to fostering financial independence, promoting healthy lifestyles and alleviating hunger, a donation to United Way ensures that you are strengthening Union County and helping to create change lasting generations.



BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE, TOGETHER

United Way of Greater Union County (UWGUC) is dedicated to finding effective ways to help children and families gain access to quality education, financial stability, health and family strengthening in Union County, North Plainfield and South Plainfield. We are committed to helping build up our county so that everyone has the opportunity to grow and thrive in every aspect of their lives.

EDUCATION

We invest in 13 nonprofit agencies across Union County's academically underachieving communities. From kindergarten, to support services, to helping students overcome obstacles and families become more engaged in their children's education, we help ensure that children have the support they need to succeed in school.



FINANCIAL STABILITY

Our programs help people gain job skills and knowledge necessary for them to attain financial independence, stability and self-sufficiency.

Through the **Youth Employment Pathways Program (YEPP)**, we assist in-school and out of school youth between the ages of 14-24 with the necessary tools needed to successfully secure employment. Youth in our program go on to attend college, earn vocational certifications and more.

FAMILY STRENGTHENING

We help provide individuals, parents and care givers with the resources, supports and skills to be productive, successful and actively involved with their children in school and in the community.

With support from our **Family Success Centers**, each year, thousands of families receive services in job preparation and training, emergency funds for housing and food, social services, counseling, parent workshops and more.

• Hillside Family Success Center • Rahway Family Success Center • James Kellogg Multicultural Family Success Center • Village Family Success Center • Plainfield Family Success Center

HEALTH

We work to ensure that families have access to affordable health care, low-income first time mothers receive adequate pre-natal care and communities are educated about HIV and preventative sevices.

The Nurse-Family Partnership, an evidence-based, community health home visitation program, provides services to vulnerable first time expectant mothers. Our work with the City of Plainfield and key stakeholders to increase health outcomes for the residents who live in Plainfield, NJ, formed the Healthy Plainfield Coalition. We also help meet the needs in communities that are most affected by HIV through educating and promoting services in Essex, Union, Morris, Sussex and Warren counties through the The Ryan White Program.

OUR COMMUNITY RESOURCE NETWORK

Members in our Community Resource Network work to build a continuum of care – providing critical services ranging from tutoring to pre-natal health to life skills to food and hunger.

Our partnerships are:

CRANFORD

Cerebral Palsy League Cranford Family Care

ELIZABETH

Community Access Unlimited
Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless
FISH Hospitality
Gateway YMCA
Holy Redeemer
Housing Authority of City of Elizabeth (HACE)
Jewish Family Service of Central New Jersey
Make the Road New Jersey
PROCEED, Inc.
Salvation Army Elizabeth
Urban League of Union County

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Urban Workforce Advantage
Village Family Success Ccenter

HILLSIDE

Hillside Family Success Center

LINDEN

Family Community Development Corporation

PLAINFIELD

Homefirst

King's Daughter Day School

Neighborhood House Association

Plainfield Action Services

Plainfield Area YMCA

Plainfield Board of Education Plainfield FSC

Salvation Army Plainfield

Second Street Youth Center

United Family and Children's Society

RAHWAY

Rahway Community Action Organization Rahway Day Care Center, Inc.

ROSELLE

Boxwood Learning Center Occupational Center Roselle Day Care Center

SUMMIT

Family Promise
Junior League of Summit - GRACE
The Connection for Women and Family

UNION TOWNSHIP

YM-YWHA of Union County

COUNTY-WIDE PARTNERS

Arc of Union County, Inc.
Community Coordinated Child Care
NJ 211

Partnership for Maternal & Child Health of Northern NJ YWCA of Eastern Union County

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