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2019/2020 ANNUAL REPORT

United Way of Allen County



#### GIVE.



Your contribution drives community-wide outcomes and has the power to change lives.

## ADVOCATE.



Your voice creates awareness about community challenges.

#### VOLUNTEER



Your time and talents drive change in individual lives and community collaborations.

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Our mission, our purpose, is to unite our community's time, talent, and treasure to cultivate and advance community solutions that address the most critical issues around basic needs, education, financial stability, and healthy lives.

The vision, our driving force, is an Allen County where all individuals and families discover and achieve their potential.

#### **STRATEGIES**

United Way of Allen County's footprint is a vital part of our approach to transforming our community. There are four strategic channels that advance our impact: advocacy, volunteerism, collaborative initiatives, and agency investments. Our work is focused on a generational approach in the four impact areas of childhood success, youth success, adult success, and safety net services. We are identifying and working toward eliminating the social dilemmas facing 24 percent of households in our community that make an annual income above the Federal Poverty Level but below the basic cost of living in Allen County. This is the population we know as ALICE.

### **UNITED WAY SUPPORTERS,**

We are extremely fortunate to serve a community that in a time of uncertainty and a time defined by crisis and great need. When faced up against a worldwide pandemic, social injustice, and one of the most controversial presidential elections in United States history; our community has banned together and made sure those that needed us most knew they were not alone.

The generous spirit of Allen County continues to grow; UNITED, our philanthropic efforts and quick action with the Emergency Relief Fund (ERF) resulted in 400,000 individuals served since March 2020 and the inception of our fund. This doesn't include the individuals that we served because of your generosity prior to and outside of ERF.

I am proud of our response - what we did, how we did it, and how we continue to recover and rebuild our community. Together, United we are working to ensure that all individuals and families in Allen County succeed to their fullest potential in life by equipping our youngest generation with a quality education; preparing our youth for a career, college education or military; providing adults with job skills and stable housing avenues and doing this all while providing a safety net for our neighbors.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, as we have Responded, it is now my hope that you will join us in these efforts. We need you to Recover and Rebuild our home, our community, our Allen County.



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SUE EHINGER
Chairwoman of the Board
United Way of Allen County

#### **OUR WORK**

We have learned a few things in our first century serving this community and one of the most important is that we always get more done and with greater impact when we work together with others. Whether it is the State of Indiana asking if we can help pilot the On My Way Pre-K program ensuring that children enter kindergarten ready to learn or financially partnering with a local non-profit to ensure that families have food, shelter, and other basic needs, United Way leads the collaborative charge to solve social dilemmas in our community. United Way of Allen County and our partners are committed to helping families that are working hard but struggling to survive. We know that above the poverty line does not mean out of the woods, and this population frequently falls between the cracks. Through our evidence-based research we have come to understand this group as ALICE.

#### 2019-20 **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The individuals who serve on the United Way of Allen County board and committees are members of our community. Thank you for your service as you advocate, volunteer, and give back to Allen County.



"United Way understands our community, fights for those who don't have a voice, and strengthens our community so individuals and families have hope to live to their potential".

- Sue Ehinger, Chairwoman of the Board 2019-2020

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

#### **Sue Ehinger Board Chair Don Cates**

**Vice Chair | 3Rivers Federal Credit Union** 

Paula Hughes-Schuh Secretary | YWCA Northeast Indiana

> **Ahmed Abdelmageed Community Volunteer**

#### **Rob Allen Steel Dynamics Headquarters**

**Herb Anderson Community Volunteer** 

> **Mary Bell Wells Fargo**

**Susan Berghoff Dulin, Ward and DeWald, Inc.** 

> Joe Cohen **Barrett McNagny LLP**

John Court **ONI Risk Partners** 

**Stephanie Crandall** City of Fort Wayne

> Dan Doan **Old National Bank**

**Merry Ewing** WPTA-TV

#### **Chris Gomez Community Volunteer**

**George Guy Fort Wayne Housing Authority** 

Kristi Harkenrider **Lincoln Financial Group** 

**Prachi Hoffmeister** Flagstar Bank

> **Dent Johnson** Do it Best Corp.

**Max Montesino Purdue Fort Wayne** 

**Holli Murphy UAW 2209** 

**Lloyd Osborne IUOE Local 399** 

**Irene Paxia Amani Family Services** 

**Commissioner Nelson Peters Allen County, Indiana** 

> **Stan Richard Pinnacle Industries LLC**

**Lisa Smith Mental Health America of Northeast Indiana** 

> **Greta Southard Allen County Public Library**

#### **Dan Starr**

Do it Best Corp. | Immediate Past Chair

Mike C. Thomas **General Motors** 

**Luther Whitfield New Covenant Worship Center** 

> **Jeanné Wickens Parkview Health System**

Dr. Debra Faye Williams-Robbins **Fort Wayne Community Schools** 

#### **EMERITUS MEMBERS**

**Marilyn Moran-Townsend CVC Communications** 

> **Ron Turpin** Gibson

David Trenkner. M.D. **Radiation Oncology Associates** 

> **Irene Walters Community Volunteer**

Louie Oieda **Community Volunteer** 

#### **INTERN**

**Joe Edwards** Steel Dynamics, Inc.

#### 2019-2020 AGENCY PARTNER FUNDING INVESTMENTS BY IMPACT AREA

**AMOUNT** 

\$145,000

\$90,000

\$45,000

\$20,000

\$45,000

\$20,000

\$72,500



**Brightpoint** 

SCAN, Inc.

**Turnstone** 

**Early Childhood Alliance** 

**Lutheran Social Services** 

**Mental Health America** 

**MLK Montessori School** 

CHILDHOOD SUCCESS PARTNER INVESTMENT \$437,500 **INVESTMENT %** 25%

#### CHILDHOOD SUCCESS



#### YOUTH SUCCESS

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AGENCY	AMOUNT
Anthony Wayne, Boy Scouts	\$10,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$130,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Fort Wayne	\$50,000
Brightpoint	\$50,000
Center for Nonviolence	\$20,000
Cornerstone Youth Center	\$20,000
Girl Scouts	\$10,000
The League	\$40,000
Lutheran Social Services	\$40,000
Wellspring Interfaith Social Services	\$15,000
YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne	\$52,500
YOUTH SUCCESS PARTNER INVEST	MENT
\$437,500	MENT
INVESTMENT %	
<b>25</b> %	



#### **ADULT SUCCESS**

AGENCY	AMOUNT	
	4	
A Mother's Hope	\$15,000	
Blue Jacket	\$70,000	
Brightpoint	\$160,000	
Catholic Charities	\$20,000	
Early Childhood Alliance	\$11,000	
East Wayne Street Center	\$20,000	
The League	\$20,000	
Lutheran Social Services	\$91,500	
SCAN, Inc.	\$15,000	
Vincent Village	\$15,000	
ADULT SUCCESS PARTNER INVESTMENT		
\$437,500		
INVESTMENT %		



#### **SAFETY NET SERVICES**

AGENCY	AMOUNT		
American Red Cross	\$24,000		
Associated Churches Food Bank	\$25,000		
Brightpoint	\$12,000		
Cancer Services	\$12,000		
Catholic Charities	\$50,000		
CTN	\$50,000		
GiveHear	\$35,000		
The League	\$15,000		
Lutheran Social Services	\$54,705		
Positive Resource Connection	\$6,000		
The Rescue Mission	\$35,000		
The Salvation Army	\$40,000		
Turnstone	\$8,795		
Vincent Village	\$15,000		
Visiting Nurse	\$15,000		
Wellspring Interfaith Social Services	\$5,000		
YWCA of Northeast Indiana	\$35,000		
SAFETY NET SUCCESS PARTNER INVESTMENT			
\$437,500			
INVESTMENT % 25%			
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Cancer Services staff outside of their building

## **FUNDED PARTNER SPOTLIGHT**

Partnering with United Way of Allen County is about much more than the generous funding; it is about collaboration and the ability to network. When you become a Funded Partner through United Way, you enter a network that offers support and resources you may not otherwise receive in your community.

"United Way helps Cancer Services when needing volunteers, reaching individuals in the community, and by encouraging collaboration that only amplifies the impact of donations and volunteer efforts" shares Stacey Stumpf, Development and Marketing Director at Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana.

During the unprecedented challenges that our community is currently seeing, being a Funded Partner of United Way has benefited Cancer Services during this time, their client base has increased and so has the need for many items to ensure they continue providing services safely to their clients.



The Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne joins us as one of our first funders for the ERF.

As the Coronavirus (COVID-19) continued to spread across the country and Indiana, United Way of Allen County quickly Responded with the **Emergency Relief Fund in** March 2020, 100% of what was raised was directly invested back into our community's most pressing needs as we worked with our community nonprofits to address those critical issues. By June 2020, we had funded 16 agencies and raised \$2.6 million dollars. We have now entered into our next phases of Recover & **Rebuild for Allen County.** 



148,449 MEALS PROVIDED



122,555 POUNDS OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED



40,646 MEALS PROVIDED TO SENIORS & INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES



**☆ == 345 INDIVIDUALS ACCESSED EMERGENCY SHELTER** 



8,195 SHELTER DAYS AND NIGHTS PROVIDED



1,979 ACCESSED ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES



2,095 ACCESSED PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE



81 ACCESSED TRANSPORTATION



7 RECEIVED MORTGAGE/RENT ASSISTANCE



**27 ACCESSED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES** 



Bridge of Grace food bank

Bridge of Grace was awarded \$20,000 from the Emergency Relief Fund for purchasing food, cleaning supplies, gas for food deliveries, and payment for staff time for food distribution.

Maria, a local teenager and patron, was one of the individuals that benefited from the 3,050 meals distributed by Bridge of Grace in just nine weeks during COVID-19. Maria did not know where her younger siblings next meal was going to come from until she was connected to these resources. Due to the response of United Way during the COVID-19 outbreak, Maria was able to receive groceries, toiletries, and basic necessities for her family. Together, UNITED, we are working now to ensure Allen County recovers from the effects of the pandemic. In August 2020, to address our community's needs, Bridge of Grace plans to convert their food distribution site into an Education & Resource Center that will provide adults and youth with a safe space to complete resumes, apply for jobs, receive virtual tutoring, and obtain access to e-learning courses as we work to recover our community and the amount of individuals who lost their employment.

Respond. Recover. Rebuild. United Way will be here every step as our community breaks down the barriers that many individuals are facing in Allen County.

## PATHS TO QUALITY

"United Way of Allen County is not only a nonprofit organization that can help you with resources for child care but also assists providers when they and their children's families need other resources". Tammy says, "we may provide services from our homes but we go through trainings, in-services, are on Paths to QUALITY™ and/or accredited, obtain degrees, made a career out of this field just like those in centers. Let's show families we take pride in what we can do for children and families. Become an On My Way Provider." - Tammy **Tucker, Owner of Precious Cherubs** Childcare

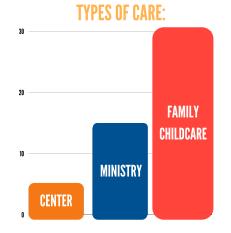


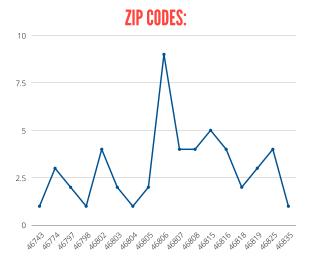
## **CUMULATIVE PTQ GRANT REPORT**

YEARS: 6	YEARS (2014-2019)
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED:	\$385,674.85
TOTAL AMOUNT GIVEN:	\$132,280.90
TOTAL # OF APPLICATIONS RECEIEVED:	172
TOTAL # OF GRANTS GIVEN:	56
TOTAL # OF PROVIDERS RECEIVING A GRANT:	49
# OF PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RECEIVED 2 GRANTS:	9
# OF PROVIDERS THAT MOVED UP 1 PTQ LEVEL:	12
# OF PROVIDERS THAT MOVED UP 2 PTQ LEVEL:	7
PERCENT OF PROVIDERS THAT IMPROVED THEIR QUALIT	Y: 40%

PTQ LEVELS AT APPLICATION SUBMISSION:		
LEVEL 0	13	
LEVEL 1	16	
LEVEL 2	7	
LEVEL 3	10	
LEVEL 4	7	

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## **COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVES**

#### UNITED WAY OF ALLEN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS FUNDING BY IMPACT AREA

Childhood Success	Amount	Adult Success	Amount	Safety Net	Amount
Kindergarten Countdown	\$62,980	VITA Tax Prep	\$94,437	Emergency Food & Shelter Progran	n <b>\$3,489</b>
Paths To QUALITY ™ Grants	\$38,256			Coordinated Entry	\$5,307
On My Way Pre-K Pilot	\$21,829				
Focus on 5 Coalition	\$716				
COLLABORATIONS TOTAL 2019-20	\$123,781	COLLABORATIONS TOTAL 2019-20	\$94,437	COLLABORATIONS TOTAL 2019-20	\$8,796

#### **COLLABORATIONS AND FUNDED AGENCY INVESTMENTS 2019-2020**

Childhood Success	Amount	Youth Success	Amount	Adult Success	Amount	Safety Net	Amount
Funded Agency Investment	\$437,500	Funded Agency Investment	\$437,500	Funded Agency Investment	\$437,500	Funded Agency Investment	\$437,500
Collaborations - Childhood Success	\$123,781	Collaborations - Youth Success	\$0	Collaborations - Adult Success	\$94,437	Collaborations - Safety Net	\$8,796
Childhood Success Total	\$561,281	Youth Success Total	\$437,500	Adult Success Total	\$531,937	Safety Net Total	\$446,296
Childhood Success % for 2019-20	28%	Youth Success % for 2019-20	22%	Adult Success % for 2019-20	27%	Safety Net % for 2019-20	23%

TOTAL FUNDED PARTNER INVESTMENTS \$1,750,000 TOTAL COMMUNITY COLLABORATION INVESTMENTS \$227,014 TOTAL AGENCY FUNDING + IMPACT AREA COLLABORATION FUNDING \$1,977,014

## **COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVES**

#### **CROSS-SECTOR COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS**

Initiative	Amount
COVID-19 Relief	\$1,374,444
211 Resource Center	\$525,980
Labor & Community Services	\$29,097
Day of Caring	\$40,385
Advocacy	\$30,778
Strategic Volunteer Engagement	\$41,325
Community Impact General Expense	\$251,135
TOTAL	\$2,293,144

On My Way Pre-K is a game changer. According to Katy Bosk, mother of a child in the program, "It gave my son the chance to get ahead in his education before entering elementary. Not only getting ahead, but it gave him the tools he will need to be successful in the future. My son has grown so much in this program and that wouldn't have been possible without his teachers Tammy and Hailee." She adds that, "having to work and go to school myself has helped my family be at ease that Isaiah is getting full attention towards education and learning responsibility before entering kindergarten."



Katy Bosk and her son, a client of On My Way Pre-K

"United Way has made it easier for me to manage time and money. If it weren't for pre-k I would be struggling to find a sitter for my son as well as work even more to pay for that sitter," Katy states.



4.009 hours = \$101.949 (value of volunteer time plus donated goods & services)



\$134,881 Emergency Food and Shelter Program dollars to our community



\$1,266,476 in state direct funding for pre-k



49 Volunteers **2,530 hours = \$64,338** (time value @ \$25.43/hr) \$3,236,643 in tax returns \$486,288 saved in tax preparation fees

2,763 tax returns prepared

**TOTAL COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS \$4,270,158** TOTAL DOLLARS LEVERAGED \$5,290,575



"The USF students and I had a great time painting the murals at McMillen Park. We learned a lot and had to be patient with a variety of weather conditions. It was gratifying to watch the children and see their reactions when they walked by to investigate our work. We hope that this project will be enjoyed by the community for many years to come." - Dr. Kathy Danko-McGhee, Program **Director of Art Education &** Pre-Art Therapy shares about the Women United Born Learning Trail

## **ADVOCACY**

#### **FAIR LENDING PRACTICES**

United Way of Allen County advocates for protections for consumers from falling into debt traps and being set up to fail with loan payments that they are unable to repay. We advocate for capping the annual percentage rate (APR) for consumer loans at 36 percent, eliminating predatory loan policies, and expanding programs that improve financial wellness.



#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

United Way of Allen County advocates for increased access to stable. affordable, safe housing so families have better access to living-wage jobs and more to spend on groceries, health care and education for themselves and their children. Fort Wayne has the 13th highest eviction rate in the U.S., and over 40 percent of people in Allen County are housing cost-burdened, meaning at least 30 percent of their household income goes towards rent.

#### **COMPLETE COUNT CENSUS**

United Way of Allen County will work to assure the success of the local 2020 Census efforts to help ensure every Allen County resident is counted, especially our hardest-to-count residents that include young children and ALICE households. ALICE households are Asset Limited. Income Constrained, and Employed. United Way is uniquely positioned to leverage the community's trusted 2-1-1 services, partner agencies, and advocacy network to educate residents on the importance of participating. Low-income families are among the most likely to benefit from federal financial assistance programs that rely on the Census to determine geographical distribution of funds.

## **WOMEN UNITED**

**Sheila Anderson Mary Coats Nadia Conti Sharon Eisbart** 

**Shannon Gage Greta Southard Caroline Stewart Irene Walters** 

## **ADVOCACY**

**Ahmed Abdelmageed** Madeleine Baker Michelle Chambers Stephanie Crandall **Sharon Eisbart** Steve Hoffman

**Angie Moellering Nelson Peters Scott Senger Lisa Smith Steve Smith** 

## **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

FuturePlan

GiveHear
Because Hearing Matters

Gibson

STRENGTH AGAINST RISK®

Greater Allen County UAW CAP Council

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**Headwaters** 

**Make City Bank** 

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HALLMARK HOME MORTGAGE

#### **DAY OF CARING TEAMS**



































































## STRATEGIC VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT









Women building better communities®





## **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

#### **ORGANIZED LABOR**



#### **COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES**

United Way's Community Services Committee hosts community education classes annually for the public to learn more about resources in our community.

**LGBTQ Support - Presented by Center for Nonviolence** 

Inclusivity for all people in our community, regardless of their sexual orientation.

**Credit Counseling - Presented by Live Better** 

This class will give you the tools to help you learn how to restore your credit.

**Home Repair/Maintenance - Presented by Carpenters Local 232** 

Learn simple home repairs that could save you money.

**Expungement of Criminal Records - Presented by Volunteer Lawyer Program** 

Everyone deserves a second chance and there are things you can do to help yourself.

#### NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS FOOD DRIVE



Due to COVID-19, the typical NALC Food Drive in May was postponed, but that did not stop Organized Labor from helping. Together, they partnered to create the "Solidarity Virtual Food Drive" that raised over \$30,000 to help fight hunger in Allen County.



Mike Bynum, Labor & Community Services Director, shares information at the Building Trades & Apprenticeship Fair

#### **NORTHEAST INDIANA LABOR CHAPTER**

Monthly, the Northeast Indiana Labor Chapter (NEIL) meets in order to determine what more they can do as Organized Labor members to ensure their community has the resources they need to succeed in all aspects of life. *This group of individuals is pictured to the right.* 





Lloyd has dedicated 35 years to the International Union of Operating Engineers, with the last 20 of those years being with I.U.O.E Local 399. "United Way of Allen County is an organization that offers a way for the hardworking men and women of Organized Labor to give of their time, talent, and treasure to serve the community in so many different ways" explains Lloyd. As a Union member, Lloyd is passionate about the future of Allen County and ensuring lives will continue to change for the betterment of this community.

- Lloyd Osborne, United Way Volunteer & NEIL Chapter President



"My experience with United Way means a great deal to me. United Way has provided me with an opportunity to truly make a difference with others who want to make a difference. It has allowed me, through my involvement with the Community Impact Committee, to have insight to all of partner agencies and the work that they do every day. We have an amazing community, but the work that United Way and other notfor-profits do in the community creates a whole other level of community pride for me. The impact that United Way has on our community truly cannot be measured." - John Court, **Community Impact Committee** Chair, ERF Advisory Member, **Executive Committee Member & Board Member** 

## **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS 2019/2020**

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Susan Berghoff Kimberly Moore Kathy Miller Tyson Moore

#### **COMMUNITY IMPACT COMMITTEE**

Ahmed Abdelmageed Sarah GiaQuinta I
Jill Brown Tina Grady I
Nelson Coats Danelle Hoffman
Joe Cohen Davyd Jones S
John Court Rebecca Karcher J
Sue Ehinger Aaron Lane J
Heidi Fowler Bennie Lewis

Irene Paxia
Dr. Debra Faye
Williams-Robbins
Steven Sykes
Jacque Wilson
Jarrod Wilson

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Bri Andrews
Corbin Archibold
Aaron Arechar
Amber Armstrong
Jannie Burkhamer
Sue Brock
Barb Casselman
Tyree Cooley
Melanie Chambers
Karen Deck
Carolyn Eldridge
George Eldridge
Rita Freed
Paula Friedrich
Courtney Gagnepain

Steve Gomez
Christopher Hurse
Cordell Hurse
Heidi Fowler
Randy Jarique
Brandon Kimbrough
Bill Kolkman
Courtney Lewis
Anthony McDonald
Misti Meehan
Elizabeth Mobero
Michael Moore
Olivia Morgan
Roxanna Murray
Kevin Murray

Scot Nagel
Louie Ojeda
Quinton Perry
Treasure Peterson
Tom Ransom
Randy Schmidt
Shawn Smith
Kennedy Spivey
Shane Sullivan
Howard Traxmor
Dan VanDame
Jason VanJahnke
Darwin Wade
Adriana Walker
Autumn Woods

#### **EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Rachel Blakeman Alison Gerardot Jill McAllister Cheryl Taylor
John Court Andrew Hoffman Evan Schoof Denita Washington
Joe Cowen Michelle Kearns Paula Hughes-Schuh
Meg Distler Brad Little Terry Stevens

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Mary Bell John Court Sue Ehinger Paula Hughes-Schuh Jeanné Wickens Don Cates Dan Doan Lloyd Osborne Dan Starr

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Herb Anderson John Blum Allen Brouwer Dan Doan Joseph Edwards Susan Berghoff Tom Braun Nelson Coats Mary Bell Bruce Menshy

#### **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

Tom Braun Christopher Gomez Emily Musser Luther Whitfield Stephanie Crandall Kristi Harkenrider Joanna Rogers Daryl Flowers Max Montesino Stephen Smith

#### **MARKETING COMMITTEE**

Greg Allen Merry Ewing Holli Murhpy Paula Hughes-Schuh Javon Bell Daryl Flowers Bonnie Blackburn-Penhollow

#### RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mary Bell Courtney Lewis Deborah Sturges
John Bowman Jerry Long Toby Thomas
Becky Hill Jeff Markley Jeanné Wickens
Scott Hoffman Don Schenkel

#### **TOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY COMMITTEE**

Don Cates William "Dent" Johnson
Julie Inskeep Deborah Sturges



## **WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN PARTNERS 2019/2020**

\$500,000 +

GENERAL MOTORS

\$499,999 - \$250,000



\$249,999 - \$100,000







Do it Best Corp.



\$99,999-\$25,000





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\$24,999- \$10,000































Thank you for changing lives and running a workplace campaign!

## **CAMPAIGN AWARD RECIPIENTS**



## OUTSTANDING LARGE WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN BROTHERHOOD MUTUAL

The 2019 Campaign Award Recipient for Outstanding Large Organization recognizes Brotherhood Mutual for their dedication and accomplishments this year.

Not only did they exceed their fundraising and participation goals, but they ran a Best Practices campaign. Brotherhood Mutual is receiving this award because they are devoted to educating their staff on the barriers facing ALICE (Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed) households in Allen County. This company invited United Way to give an ALICE presentation during their staff chapel which helped employees understand our mission and the importance of their giving.



## OUTSTANDING SMALL WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN TRANSWORKS

The 2019 Campaign Award for Outstanding Small Organization recognizes TransWorks for their achievements this year.

This company has visibly supportive leadership that understands the importance of educating their employees on how they can support the community through United Way. Because of this, their participation and donation value increased over the past year. TransWorks receives this award because they understand the importance of participation, support, and engagement among their employees. This company not only gives of their treasure, but they give of their time and talent by contributing to Kindergarten Countdown and cold weather kit builds. When COVID-19 hit, they reached out to United Way asking how they could help and were instrumental in sharing information regarding the Emergency Relief Fund, United Way of Allen County's response initiative.



## OUTSTANDING MEDIUM WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN WEIGAND CONSTRUCTION

The 2019 Campaign Award Recipient for Outstanding Medium Organization recognizes Weigand Construction for their multiple successes this year.

This company consistently gives back to the community it serves and fosters an environment of philanthropy within its organization. Weigand Construction deservingly receives this award because they understand the value of exceptional leadership support of United Way of Allen County. They followed best practices for a successful campaign by offering a corporate match, allowing United Way to educate their employees, participating in year-round engagement, and by encouraging their employees to volunteer in projects to make Allen County a better place to live, work, and play. These best practices resulted in a significant increase in their total campaign. Weigand Construction is a name synonymous with philanthropy in Allen County.



## OUTSTANDING PARTNER AGENCY COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

The 2019 Campaign Award Recipient for Outstanding Partner Agency recognizes Community Transportation Network (CTN) for their dedication and accomplishments this year.

CTN is a long-time Funded Partner Agency of United Way of Allen County. CTN offers the resource of transportation to many neighbors in Allen County. Transportation is a common community barrier for many households that live paycheck to paycheck. CTN exceeded their fundraising and participation goals by running a Best Practices campaign. Justin Clupper, CEO, has been vocal about the community impact of our partnership presenting to United Way of Allen County Board of Directors, the Resource Development Committee, and the AFL-CIO Community Services Committee. Outside of campaigning, CTN has also been involved with United Way's Emergency Relief Efforts.

## **CAMPAIGN AWARD RECIPIENTS**



## SPIRIT OF GIVING HALLMARK HOME MORTGAGE

United Way of Allen County's highest award, the Spirit of Giving Award, recognizes a company that exemplifies what it means to LIVE UNITED.

This company consistently gives back to the community it serves and fosters an environment of philanthropy within its organization.

The 2019 Spirit of Giving Award recognizes Hallmark Home Mortgage for their multiple successes this year. Founder and CEO Deborah Sturges encourages her employees to contribute to the mission and to stay engaged with United Way year-round through volunteerism. Deb sets a great example by being a Tocqueville donor and volunteering to lead the Tocqueville Society and Leadership Circle of donors for the United Way of Allen County.

Hallmark Home Mortgage has donated hours of time and talent through their media team to further the mission of United Way of Allen County by creating impact videos. Hallmark Home Mortgage receives this award because they understand that engagement and living the mission of United Way are vital parts of a strong workplace campaign.

Thank you for your valuable partnership with us to always LIVE UNITED!



## MONSIGNOR THIELE STEVEN SYKES

Each year, the Raymond Rosenberger Foundation awards a committed United Way advocate with the Monsignor Thiele award.

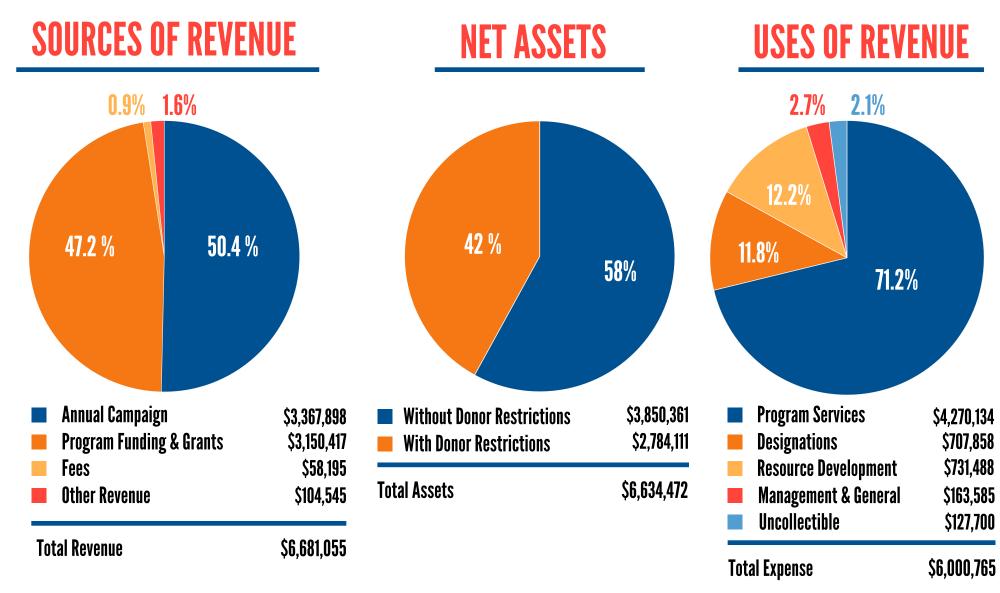
Monsignor Charles Thiele was rector of St. Peter's Catholic Church in Fort Wayne from 1905 to 1938 and was a priest in the Fort Wayne Diocese for nearly 53 years. Raymond Rosenberger and his parents were parishioners of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Steven Sykes works as the Senior Project Manager at Regal Beloit Corporation and has been a long-standing volunteer for various United Way's since 1994. Steven has dedicated his time, talent, and treasure to United Way of Allen County for the past 15 years and currently serves as the Team Leader for the Early Childhood Investment Team. Fund Distribution and Investment Teams have been a large part of Steven's volunteer career with United Way for over 20 years, but he has filled many other roles over the years. Steven came alongside Workplace campaigns where he was an Ambassador and has spent many hours volunteering through the annual Day of Caring over the last decade and a half.

Steven models what it means to Live United and his continuing commitment to this community and long-term service and leadership earned him the 2020 Monsignor Thiele Award.

Thank you, Steven, for Living United!

## FINANCIAL RESULTS





**United Way of Allen County** 

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