



UNITED IN CARING



2024
ANNUAL
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Dear Friends of United Way of Hamblen County,

As we gather for our Annual Meeting to reflect on the remarkable year behind us and plan for the year ahead, I am in awe of how truly United in Caring our community is. I sincerely thank every individual who has supported the Hamblen County United Way this year. Your generosity has allowed us to continue our proud tradition of helping those in need and proves that we can accomplish great things when we stand united.

Our 21 agencies remain at the core of the United Way's mission. These vital organizations support over half of our community either directly or indirectly. As this past year has shown us, life can be unpredictable and our agencies have been there to assist with support through emergency assistance, health services, youth programs, support for seniors, and crisis intervention. By being United in Caring, these agencies reach thousands who need a helping hand so hope and opportunity remain within everyone's grasp here in Hamblen County.

A core aspect of our mission involves orchestrating successful fundraising campaigns and I am thrilled to share that, thanks to the incredible support of our community, we raised over \$1.4 million dollars this year—exceeding our stated goal. This was made possible through the outstanding leadership of our Campaign Chair, Carl Storms. Thank you, Carl, and your team of volunteers, for your hard work, enthusiasm, and commitment to making a difference.

A special thanks to Gary Matthews and Jennifer Winkler for guiding us through the year. Their dedication ensures our organization remains fiscally responsible and well-run, providing the essential support needed to keep our agencies going strong.

It has been a privilege to serve as Board President during this past year. The caring spirit that defines Hamblen County makes this a wonderful place to live and work. Thank you for supporting the United Way of Hamblen County and embracing our 2024 theme, United in Caring.

Sincerely,

Justin Cook, 2024 Board President, United Way of Hamblen County



United Way is supportive of those who may not have opportunities they need to succeed.

Campaign Chair Carl Storms serves snacks to children at The Boys & Girls Club of Morristown demonstrating this year's campaign theme of being "United in Caring" for one another.

AGENCY ALLOCATIONS



United Way of Hamblen County Participating Agencies

Contributions to United Way of Hamblen County support 21 health and human service agencies that exist to improve the lives of those who reside or work in the county.

American Red Cross

\$29,251

American Red Cross of Northeast Tennessee needs Volunteers from our area! Free home smoke alarms provided and installed, first aid training and certification, provides basic comfort items, and partners with Morristown Fire Department, EMA and 9-1-1.

Boys & Girls Club of Morristown

\$184,185

Boys & Girls Club of Morristown offers tutoring and homework assistance, computer and technology classes, a safe & fun place for after-school and when school is not in session, performing arts & recreational sports activities, healthy meals, and career/technical prep.

Boy Scouts of America - Great Smoky Mtn. Council

\$16,751

Serving more than 10,000 youth in 21 counties by preparing them to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes through service projects, exploration, earning merit badges, leadership, responsibility, maturity, service to the community, the environment and God. Co-ed programs offered.

Epilepsy Foundation

\$4,841

Our mission is to lead the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures, and save lives. Services provided include bicycle helmet distribution, first aid and seizure training, educational programs, support groups and referrals.

Friends of Hospice

\$18,156

Friends of Hospice, thru one of their diverse programs, Serenity House, provides a home-like setting for patients who are not able to remain in their own homes. Grief camp for children, grief education and peer support programs for adults, and "Last Wish" services to make dreams come true for hospice patients.

Girls, Inc. of Hamblen County

\$141,210

Making a difference for girls ages 6-18 with opportunities, experiences, and support needed to thrive in today's world since 1972. Encouraging & empowering girls through life's trials while they learn new skills for success in adulthood. After-school transportation provided from most schools.

Helping Hands Clinic

\$10,086

Free medical clinic in Morristown providing primary care to uninsured individuals that live or work in Hamblen County. Over 2500 patients are cared for annually at no charge according to Federal Poverty Guidelines. All staff are volunteers except for one nurse practitioner. Translator services provided.

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Kingswood Home for Children

\$41,572

Private residential children's home for ages 5-18 in a nurturing, Christian, home-like environment for children that have been abandoned, abused, neglected, or displaced with all basic needs provided. Programs for emotional healing, self-esteem & physical development, spiritual growth, independent living skills, educational support.

Lakeway Achievement Center

\$1,009

Teaching and learning opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities, transportation to medical appointments, shopping, and community involvement. Job coaching, supported employment programs, and residential services for individuals who require 24 hour care available.

Lakeway CASA

\$10,086

Volunteers serve as Court Appointed Special Advocates for abused and neglected children in juvenile court to represent their best interest with the goal of securing a safe, permanent home. State law allows judges to appoint CASA volunteers to "speak up" for the child's best interests. CASAs work for the child.

McNabb Center

\$24,820

Inpatient and outpatient services for adults and adolescents recovering from substance abuse. Support groups, outreach, assessment, education, and counseling. Youth Emergency Shelter (YES) for temporary housing for children who need immediate care and basic needs met. Jail-to-Work program for female inmates to break the cycle of repeat offenders, establish employment, and housing.

M.A.T.S.

\$74,639

Serving men, women, and whole families who experience homelessness by providing shelter, food, clothing, budget coaching, and soft skills. Counseling and job readiness training to improve chances of success and ultimately achieve their goal of a sustainable income leading to permanent housing.

Morristown-Hamblen Central Services

\$282,419

Emergency assistance programs include food pantry, reduced price thrift store, rent/mortgage and utilities payment assistance, and Holiday meal and gift programs. Prescriptions and medical equipment assistance. Education and training designed to break the cycles of poverty by providing compassionate empowerment.

Morristown-Hamblen Child Care Center

\$119,020

Provides physical, speech, and occupational therapy at children's homes and at the facility, in addition to providing services for children with disabilities. Free or low-cost child care is available based on income requirements.

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Morristown Rescue Squad

\$45,389

Volunteer staff that renders first aid and care for all persons in distress while assisting first responders with knowledgeable, trained emergency care. Personnel are trained and equipped to provide vehicle extrication, search and rescue, high angle - dive - confined space rescue, and support for medical and fire emergencies.

Rose Center

\$14,121

Educational and community opportunities including displaying county schools' student art, dance, music, and fitness classes, and maintain Rose School as a museum and cultural center. Annual festivals and events for community engagement with local artists, crafters, and makers. Space is available for rent to host events.

SafeSpace of East Tennessee

\$12,000

SafeSpace is a safe, secure, and confidentially located domestic violence shelter working to end domestic violence by supporting and empowering victims and educating our community. The shelter services provided are comprehensive to anticipate the needs of victims & children in crisis including 24 hour assistance and crisis hotline, counseling, advocacy, and ensuring basic needs are met.

Senior Citizens Center of Morristown

\$22,190

Enhance the quality of life, help seniors remain independent for as long as possible, provide educational, fellowship, and fitness activities in a comfortable and safe place to socialize, make new friends and create memories. Keeping the body and mind active to prevent loneliness and isolation which are frequently a problem for people as they age.

Senior Citizens Home Assistance

\$19,164

Caregivers help clients remain in clean, familiar surroundings at home with meals prepared, Trained to provide companionship, help with light chores and housekeeping, shopping, laundry, medication reminders, transportation, salon services and respite care for family caregivers. Skilled medical care is not provided.

Stepping Out

\$18,156

Guiding people to a better life by teaching a pattern of positive behavior in individuals and families to equip with skills to achieve emotional, physical, and spiritual growth. Life skills education, behavior modification in multiple areas including parenting, anger management, household management, and Automatic Positive Thinking.

BUDGET & ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE



The Budget and Allocation Committee conducts an annual review of all organizations seeking to join or continue their partnership with the United Way of Hamblen County. This committee is distinct from other funding organizations as it ensures that all donated funds are strictly accounted for, giving contributors peace of mind.

LEIGH ANN ALLEN	● ● ● ● ●	CITIZENS BANK
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CHRIS HORN	● ● ● ● ●	CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK
SCOTT KINGTON	● ● ● ● ●	RICH PRODUCTS
GORDON LINTZ	● ● ● ● ●	MHHS - COVENANT HEALTH
BETH MCGHEE-FOLSOM	● ● ● ● ●	COLORTECH
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DON ROGERS	● ● ● ● ●	ROGERS PETROLEUM
BECKY SKELTON	● ● ● ● ●	REMAX REAL ESTATE
CARL STORMS	● ● ● ● ●	COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER
TIM WILD	● ● ● ● ●	WILD BUILDING CONTRACTORS

United Way of Hamblen County is an independent organization governed by a local, volunteer Board of Directors who apportions funds where they are needed the most among 21 health and human service non-profit agencies.

OFFICERS

JUSTIN COOK



PRESIDENT

LAUREN CARROLL



VICE PRESIDENT

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TREASURER

SUSANNE DENEAU



SECRETARY



BOARD MEMBERS

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SHIRLEY HOLT	CHRISTINE GOSSER	JESSICA RICH
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BECKY SKELTON	SCOTT KINGTON	DREW ROWE
DAVID SLACK	CARL STORMS	
TIM WILD		



TERM EXPIRES 2025





TERM EXPIRES 2026





TERM EXPIRES 2027



For the annual campaign, the Campaign Chair selects volunteer members for their cabinet to assist with community engagement and fundraising. This reinforced strength in numbers approach creates an extended network of reach and support. It is our belief, based on results, that an effective campaign is designed with a volunteer spirit in mind.

CAMPAIGN CHAIR

CARL STORMS

- MAJOR FIRMS I
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- CHRIS HORN
- MAJOR FIRMS II
-
- SCOTT KINGTON
- MAJOR FIRMS III
-
- DREW ROWE
- MAJOR FIRMS IV
-
- LINDA RAINES

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PACESETTERS

GORDON LINTZ

LEADERSHIP

CHRIS LIPOSKY

CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

2024 JOE Q. DOUGHERTY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR FAITH BAUER



Central Services, Inc.
MORRISTOWN-HAMLEN



Ashley Hux, Executive Director at Central Services, and Faith take a moment for a hug and a few pictures.

Faith Bauer, a volunteer with Morristown-Hamblen Central Services for 16 years, has had an immeasurable impact on the organization through her unwavering dedication and tireless work. Committed to maintaining a consistent flow of donations being processed, she ultimately allows the thrift store to operate efficiently and smoothly, helps with the food pantry, the angel tree program, and around the office, and enjoys cooking for staff and their Board of Directors.



Hamblen County Mayor Bill Brittain was our Kick-Off speaker & shared the many ways United Way agencies have been a part of his life.

Special Guest speaker and volunteer Lisa Grooms shares holding the campaign progress sign with Campaign Chair Carl Storms. Lisa spoke about the life-changing impact Stepping Out has had on her life among other United Way agencies.



1) JR Thompson, Executive Director for the Morristown Emergency Rescue Squad, shared about their involvement in Hurricane Helen rescue and recovery efforts.



2) Joe Ely, former youth club member & current Board Member for The Boys & Girls Club of Morristown, shared how The Club saved his life.



1) Campaign Chair Carl Storms expresses his gratitude during the Annual Meeting. 2) Participants in the Rogers Petroleum Golf Tournament to benefit United Way of Hamblen County pose between tees. 3) Representatives of Pacesetter Companies: Chris Liposky with Rogers Petroleum, Dale Gentry with International Paper, and Corey Everett with MHHS-Covenant Health. 4) Office Manager Jennifer Winkler recognizes the Loaned Executive volunteers at the Annual Meeting.



Surrounded by smiles, Campaign Chair Carl Storms and a group of club members at The Boys & Girls Club of Morristown say "THANK YOU" to the community for their support reaching and exceeding this year's fundraising goal with \$1,461,979!

CAMPAIGN SUMMARY

GOAL	FUNDS RAISED	GOAL EXCEEDED BY
\$1,375,000	\$1,461,979	\$86,979

As a bridge connecting our community's steadfast financial support to local agencies and the needs of many, United Way of Hamblen County has upheld a legacy of neighborly, community-based giving for 69 years. Anyone who lives or works in Hamblen County is able to gain access to these resources and is encouraged to do so. With diverse needs across a growing population to support, this year's campaign fundraising goal was \$1.375 million dollars. Excess funds raised were gratefully received and allocated to our agencies.

DIVISION STATS { 13 OF 16 MET OR EXCEEDED THEIR GOAL } { 16 OF 16 RAISED 91% OR MORE OF THEIR GOAL }

PACESETTERS

Gordon Lintz, Division Chair

Three local companies held their employee campaigns early to "Set the Pace" for the overall countywide fundraising drive. Collectively these companies set the combined goal of \$185,000. Under the direction of Gordon Lintz, together they raised \$223,570 or 121% of their division goal.



LARRY WHALEN LEADERSHIP CIRCLE OF GIVING

Chris Liposky, Division Chair

Now in its 38th year, the Larry Whalen Leadership Circle of Giving Program has a membership of families. The program recognizes community leaders contributing a gift of one thousand dollars or more to the United Way of Hamblen County.

In 2024, with the efforts and dedication of the Leadership Committee, 293 families pledged one thousand dollars or more to be enrolled in the program. There were 37 new families participating.

The Larry Whalen Leadership Circle of Giving Program raised \$674,098 during the 2024 Campaign. Leadership giving comprises 46% of the money raised during the campaign

LOANED EXECUTIVES



This year Loaned Executives gave 38 presentations at businesses, city & county government offices, and schools. These volunteers are “on loan” for the duration of the campaign serving as an extension of our office’s staff. By giving presentations in the community, they make a personal connection so potential donors can learn about the impact their contributions could have.

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FRANKIE COX	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	CITY OF MORRISTOWN
TIM CREWS	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	WCRK / WMTN
JILL FISHBURN	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER
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DAVID HAUN	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	WALLACE DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
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KAY JAMES	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	MCNABB CENTER
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ED MCKINNEY	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	WALLACE DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
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Debbie A'Hearn



Frankie Cox



Tim Crews



Jill Fishburn



Christine Gosser



Lisa Grooms



Adam Ivy



Kay James



Janet Killian



David Haun



Ed McKinney



Rhonda Sams



Jessica Mills



Lauren Seaver

MEAL SPONSOR RECOGNITION



United Way of Hamblen County is grateful to the following businesses that made monetary donations specifically to provide a catered Kick-Off Breakfast, Pacesetter Luncheon, and Report Luncheons as prepared by Jersey Girl Catering.

MEAL FUND SPONSORS



ANDREW JOHNSON BANK

MAHLE

BIBLE INSURANCE

MHHS - COVENANT HEALTH

COLORTECH

MORRISTOWN UTILITIES

COMMERCIAL BANK

OTICS

DANIEL PAUL CHAIRS

PURKEY, CARTER, COMPTON,
SWANN & CARTER

FIRST BANK & TRUST

ROGERS PETROLEUM

FIRST HORIZON BANK

SONOCO

HEALTHSTAR PHYSICIANS

WALLACE DISTRIBUTION
COMPANY

HOMETRUST BANK

MEALS FOR BUDGET & ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE MEETINGS GENEROUSLY DONATED BY THESE LOCAL RESTAURANTS



STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURES

December 1, 2023 – November 30, 2024

INCOME DURING THE PERIOD

CAMPAIGN PLEDGE INCOME	\$1,308,745
INTEREST INCOME	\$6,519
RECEIPTS OF MEETING MEALS	\$5,650
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,320,914

EXPENDITURES DURING THE PERIOD

PAYMENTS TO AGENCIES	\$1,089,969
UNITED WAY ADMINISTRATIVE AND CAMPAIGN EXPENSES	\$220,353
PAYMENT FOR MEETING MEALS	\$6,538
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,316,860
INCOME EXCEEDS EXPENDITURES	\$4,054

Through the individual and collective purposes of Our Partner Agencies, a bridge of support is created to help people cross streams of troubles — ultimately encouraged, guided, and taught how to support themselves. This is the most self-sustaining solution to issues such as food or housing insecurity, substance misuse and addiction recovery, homelessness, financial and emotional management, and unmanaged healthcare needs. Between our United Way and partner Agencies, we utilize and value the dedication of more than 200 volunteers each campaign year!



Thank you for your continued support in our efforts to be...

The Best Way to Help the Most People!

UNITED WAY OF HAMBLEN COUNTY

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