



# UNITED WE WIN

**2019 United Way of Champaign County  
ANNUAL REPORT**



**Dear supporters,**

At United Way, we are passionate about creating long-term social change that produces healthy, well-educated and financially stable individuals and families.

We hear it in the staff's voices at campaign presentations. We see it in the enthusiastic discussions in the board room. And it leaps off the pages of this Annual Report.

We believe that every person in our community has great potential – and with your support, we're helping them achieve it.

The accomplishments outlined in this Annual Report are a credit to you – our loyal supporters. Over 90% of Pillar Leadership donors renew their gift every year. Without your support, none of this work would be possible.

We thank you for joining our fight for a better, brighter Champaign County.

Our Board of Directors is currently undergoing a strategic planning process. As we approach United Way of Champaign County's 100th year in 2023, we want to hear from you – what potential do you see in our community, and how can we help unlock it? What barriers can we move, what systems can we change? We think BIG here at United Way, because at the root of it all, we are optimists.

Champaign County's future is bright. We know that together we can achieve more than anyone can alone.

United We Win.



Sue Grey  
President & CEO

Andy Quarnstrom  
Chair, Board of Directors





## OUR MISSION

United Way of Champaign County brings people and resources together to create positive change and lasting impact in our community.

## OUR CREDO

We fight for the Health, Education and Financial Stability of every person in Champaign County.

## OUR CORE VALUES

Leadership, partnership, responsiveness, integrity and good governance.

# TOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY

## Annual gift of \$10,000 or more

The **United Way Tocqueville Society** recognizes local philanthropic leaders and volunteer champions around the world who have devoted time, talent and funds to create long lasting changes by tackling our community's most pressing issues.

The society's namesake, Alexis de Tocqueville, recognized, applauded, and immortalized North American voluntary action on behalf of the common good. In 1835, he wrote, *"I must say that I have seen Americans make a great deal of real sacrifices to the public welfare; and I have noticed a hundred instances in which they hardly ever failed to lend a faithful support to one another,"* eloquently capturing the essence of personal philanthropy that persists almost two centuries later.

The Tocqueville Society of Champaign County, established in 1995, echoes the American spirit of cooperation and goodwill which Tocqueville spoke about with such enthusiasm. It personifies the true meaning of philanthropy with members giving over \$10,000 annually to the United Way campaign. This group of leaders recognizes the vital importance of voluntary community service and personal giving at an exceptional level.



**La Société Nationale**  
**\$100,000-\$249,999**

**Chris & Jodi Saunders**  
**Anonymous**



**Ordre de Fraternité**  
**\$75,000-\$99,999**



**David and Susan Eades**



**Ordre de Egalité**  
**\$50,000 - \$74,999**

**Anonymous**



**Ordre de Liberté**  
**\$25,000-\$49,999**



**Dave Downey and  
Jane A. Hays**



**Richard M. Noel  
Noel Family Foundation**

**Not pictured:**

**John and Angela Kluth**

**George Shapland**

**David and Christina Whippo**

**Anonymous**



## Membres de la Société \$10,000-\$24,999



Mark S. Ballard



Kyle and Phyllis Robeson  
Robeson Family Benefit Fund



William T. and Kathryn Luther Henderson



Ed and Carol Scharlau



Margo and Greg Lykins



Lott and SuAnn Thomas



Kim and Denise Martin

### Not pictured:

Roger G. Clark and Gaye Wong • Rudy and Lucille Frasca • C. K. Gunsalus and Michael W. Walker

David and Patti Hood • Jeff and Shari Wampler • Rebecca S. and John E. Wetzel

## PILLAR GIVING GROWS

We'd like to extend a special Thank You to our newest Pillar donors. Last year **206** individuals chose to become a Pillar for the first time!

New Pillars are critical to the long-term growth of support for United Way. When you are finished with this publication, we hope you'll pass it along to a friend or family member, and invite them to become a Pillar today.



# PILLARS

**At the core of every community are leaders whose caring and generosity set the course for others.**

United Way Pillars are a group of people who demonstrate extraordinary care for our community by donating \$500 or more annually to United Way. Gifts can be made through payroll deduction, direct payments or stocks/securities. Last year 1,219 Pillars contributed \$2,422,592!

## DIAMOND CIRCLE

**Annual gift of \$7,500 - \$9,999**

Renee Baillargeon and Jerry Dejong  
J. William Bell and Elizabeth Murphy  
May R. Berenbaum  
**Dorothy Ann David and Steven Woodard**  
**Ann Einhorn**  
**Barb and Tom Harrington, Jr.**  
Diane and Craig Kiddoo  
**Susan and Ron Kiddoo**  
Don Moyer, Jr.  
Kim and John Powers  
**Mr. Richard Ross**



## CORNERSTONE PILLARS

**Annual gift of \$5,000 - \$7,499**

Curt and Jo Anderson  
**Scott and Lynn Anderson**  
**Janice Bahr and Erwin Hoffman**  
Jim and Nancy Bell  
Mary and Kenneth Beth  
Lois Brighton  
**Steve and Donna Carter**  
John Cronan  
Van A. and Patti J. Dukeman  
Dale and Joyce Ewen  
Emmie Fisher and Andy Lee  
Janette and Matt Gibb  
Jim and Deb Halle  
Jim and Rebecca Heffernan  
**Dennis Hesch**  
Bruce and Jan Hinely  
**Janice Bahr and Erwin Hoffman**  
David E. Irwin  
**Paula Kaufman**  
Douglas and Josephine Kibbee  
**Daniel and Ellen Kirsanoff**  
Margaret and Ed Krol  
Wayne and Loretta LaFave  
Rosemary Laughlin

**Dr. and Mrs. James Leonard**  
David and Nancy Morse  
**Elaine Nicholas**  
**Deena Noel-Horberg**  
Todd and Carolyn Petersen  
**Marlyn W. Rinehart**  
Jennifer and Grant Robbennolt  
**Arch and Amy Robison**  
Peter and Ellen Schmidt  
Martha Seeber and Family  
Dave and Anita Seiler  
**Linda C. Smith**  
Vern and Jeannie Snoeyink  
Cindy and Mike Somers  
**Bill and Sandy Volk**  
Shirley Walker  
Josh and Hope Whitman

*Three Cornerstone Pillars  
wish to remain anonymous.*



## PLATINUM PILLARS

Annual gift of \$3,000 - \$4,999

Dick Adams and Pat Januszki  
Adelaide Aime

**Marc and Fran Ansel**

**Robert and Cathy Baird**

**Dick and Lynne Barnes**

**Brian and Leanne Barnhart**

**Danda and Dennis Beard**

**David and Sheri Boberg**

Anne and Willard Broom

Roy and Ann Campbell

Sandy and Steve Chapman

**Bridget and Dean Clausen**

Eileen and Dennis Coleman

**Thomas and Sharon Conry**

**Jack and Judy DeAtley**

**Elizabeth deGruy**

**Mike and Christy Devocelle**

**Bradley S. and Debra L. Diel**

**Bernie and Chris Dunn**

Mary Ann and Robert D. Espeseth

John Frasca

Vera Mainz and Gregory Girolami

**Randy and Theresa Green**

**Tom and Sue Grey**

**Joseph and Rebecca Guyette**

Terry and DiAnne Hatch

Roger and Fran Haughey

Clare and Alan Haussermann

Kelly and Nathan Hoffmann

Mark and Cheryl Holderbaugh

Judy and Brian Holding

**Peter and Joan Hood**

James and Karin Imlay

Harold and Pat Jensen

Sara and Keith Kelley

Bruce and Mary Knight

Leanne and Tim Kopischke

**Wynne Sandra Korr**

Pat and Sara Kovar

Dave and Elizabeth Krchak

**Sheila and Philip Krein**

**Martha Landis**

Chuck and Annette Lansford

Bud and Sandy Leister

Elizabeth Lavin Lemoine

Mary McGrath and Dennis Lewis

**Walter McMahon**

Martin and Darla Mintz

**Dennis Muncy**

**Michael Novak and Lee Ann Rotz**

Robert K. O'Daniell

Mark and Julie Palermo

Robert and Vicki Patton

**Roscoe and Ann Pershing**

Bob and Kathy Plecki

Jennifer K. Putman

James P. Quisenberry

Maureen and Mark Radi

**Jason and Lisa Rector**

**Linda and Randy Richardson**

Craig and Gail Rost

Blair and Joyce Rowitz

**Alma Sealine**

**Tom Seals and Ruth Wene**

**David and Julie Sherwood**

David and Jan Sholem

**Chris and Jeana Shroyer**

**Steven T. Sonka**

**Bob Spitze**

Glenn and Jo Anne Stanko

Ed and Nancy Tepper

Walter and Joan Tousey

**Chuck and Laurie Tucker**

John and Nancy Weimer

Herb and Yvette Whiteley

**Barbara Wilson and John Lammers**

Carolyn S. Witter

**Sarah Zehr**

*Three Platinum Pillars  
wish to remain anonymous.*

## PILLAR PLUS

Supporters with names listed in **BOLD** type are members of our **Pillar Plus** program.

Each year United Way sees an increase in the amounts requested by our grant-funded partners. In response, we offer the **Pillar Plus** program which allows our friends to increase their support. By pledging an annual 10% increase, **Pillar Plus** donors are critical to United Way of Champaign County's goal to fully fund programs that support our Building Blocks: Education, Health and Financial Stability. In 2018, 35% of our Pillar supporters chose to increase their gift through **Pillar Plus**.

We hope you will join them and make a **Pillar Plus** gift this year!

# 35%

**OF PILLARS  
INCREASED  
THEIR GIFT  
LAST YEAR  
THROUGH  
PILLAR PLUS!**

## GOLD PILLARS

Annual gift of \$2,000 - \$2,999

Sarita Adve

**Carl and Nadja Altstetter**

**Greg Anderson**

**Kimberly and Todd Anderson**

**Wells and Joann Anderson**

Ken and Sari Aronson

**Andy Arwari**

**Robert and Jennifer Ballsrud**

Sam and Maureen Banks

**Scott and Carol Bennett**

Bertha Jean Berger

**TJ and Katie Blakeman**

Marie Bohl

Karl and Jeanne Bohlen

Dawn Carson and

Matthew Snyder

**Russell and Darcy Chalfant**

Louis Kuo Chi Chan

**David and Kelly Clark**

Greg and Kristie Cozad

**John and Melinda Dabrowski**

Benjamin and Jennifer Davis

**Steve and Jayne DeBruyn**

Gary Dell and Susan Garnsey

**Michael and Stacey DeLorenzo**

John Dudley

Michael A. Dyer

**Robin and W. Brooke Elliott**

**Rhoda R. Engel**

**Chris and Kim Evangelisti**

Daniel Feldt

**Jill Flessner and Jay Scott**

Mike and Karen Folk

Ted and Linda Frank

Rusty and Jill Freeland

**Jill and Jeremy Frieberg**

Beverly A. and Mike Friesse

Beth Geis

Thomas Geis

**Jim and Mars Gentry**

Elizabeth Goldwasser

**Don and Liz Greeley**

Fred Green, Jr.

**Heath and Kathy Grote**

**Mike and Linda Haile**

**Tim and Kris Harrington**

Al and Nina Heckman

Michael Henry

Royce and Jean Hinton

**Debra and Michael Hirschi**

**John M. Hoffmann**

**Jackie and G. Andrew Hohn**

Lewis and Susan Hopkins

Jessie G. Houston

**Bret and Kara Johnson**

# WE FIGHT FOR HEALTH

The loss of an immediate family member is one of the most difficult challenges we can face in life. After a major loss, such as the death of a spouse or child, studies show up to a third of people will suffer negative effects on their physical or mental health.

Amanda\* and her two young children experienced a sudden, unexpected loss when their father and husband Michael passed away. They connected with Family Counseling, a Community Impact Grant program that provides outpatient therapy. Because of the program's United Way Community Impact Grant, Amanda didn't have to worry about finding the money for the therapy she and her children needed.

The therapist worked to help the family express their grief in age-appropriate ways, support each other and begin moving forward in life. While they continue to grieve Michael, they now have the tools and supports to grieve in a healthy way.

Amanda and her children are now able to carry on with meeting their responsibilities as employees, students, parent, and family members. United Way's Community Impact Fund grants help many families just like Amanda's cope with the unexpected challenges of life – regardless of their ability to pay.

With your Community Impact Fund gift, you're joining the fight to improve the health of every person in our community.

*\*While this story is real, names have been changed to protect privacy.*





# BECAUSE EVERYONE DESERVES TO BE HEALTHY.

We expand access to affordable healthcare, healthy food and opportunities for physical activity, so that everyone can lead happy and successful lives.



1,761

SENIOR CITIZENS WERE ABLE TO LIVE  
INDEPENDENTLY THANKS TO HOME-  
DELIVERED MEALS



5,708

LOW INCOME PEOPLE WITH CHRONIC HEALTH  
CONDITIONS RECEIVED AFFORDABLE CARE



800

YOUTH LEARNED ABOUT HEALTHY  
RELATIONSHIPS AND SEXUAL  
VIOLENCE PREVENTION



3,541

PEOPLE SAVED MORE THAN \$107,000 ON  
THEIR PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION



1,072

PEOPLE RECEIVED LOW-COST  
CARE FOR MENTAL AND  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

**Brett and Jennifer Johnson**

Tom and Susan Johnson

Rebekah Jones

**Laura Jordan**

**Chris and Robin Kaler**

**Miles Klein**

Jessica Krogstad

**Rena Lee Lenz**

Brenda Lindsey

**Lynne and Ron Lyman**

David and Chris Main

**Sally and Jim Martinie**

Ravi Mehta

**Caleb and Deserai Miller**

**George and Diane Miller**

Drs. Henry and Sofia Moore

Dale and Susan Morrissey

**Diane Mortensen**

**James A. and Carol L. Neilson**

John and Sara Olson

Tom and Diane O'Rourke

**Todd Kinney and Peggy Patten**

Mark E. Peecher

Marvin D. Piwoni

Dan and Helen Richards

**Rick and Lori Rinehart**

**Gene and Julia Robinson**

Michael and Taya Ross

Nancy Fay and Ken Rowland

Dilip and Sandhya Sarwate

**Richard J. Schicht**

Richard and Susan Schnuer

Charles and Julia Shapland

**Myron and Sonya Sholem**

Frank and Carol Shupp

**Carol Slough**

Jean Smith

Jim and Sandy Snodgrass

Elaine and Case Sprenkle

**Ryan and Elizabeth Squire**

Mary Noel and Zach Stefan

Michael Stevenson

**John and Anne Storsved**

Neil Strack and Mary Bissey

**William and Jerilyn Stratton**

**Burton E. and Iris M. Swanson**

**Jonathan and Kathy Sweedler**

Bob and Bonnie Switzer

Arthur and Shirley Traugott

Joy Thornton-Walter and

John Walter

Larry and Joanne Walther

**Art and Cindy Warren**

Joe and Mary White

Sean Williams

Murray and Valerie Wise

*Four Gold Pillars  
wish to remain anonymous.*

## SILVER PILLARS

Annual gift of \$1,000 - \$1,999

Kim Adkinson

**Brian Alexander-Ward**

**Deidra Almaroad**

**Ken and Mary Andersen**

**Ruth and James Anderson**

**Daly and Magnus Andersson**

**Brock and Elizabeth Angelo**

**Karl and Palmira Appelquist**

**Dianna K. Armstrong**

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Arnould

Walter and Charlotte Arnstein

Beth Auterman

**Tim and Sue Bachman**

**Dan and Beverley Baker**

**Micah and Amy Bandy**

Bob and Amy Bane

Barbara and Dick Barker

**Betsy Barringer**

**Timothy Bartlett**

Wendy L. Bell

**Karen Bender**

**Bob Bentz**

Don and Pam Berbaum

**Christopher Beyler**

Michael Biehl

**Greg and Pam Bigler**

Eleanor Blackmon

Mary A. Blair

**Steven Blauwkamp**

Van and Kathy Bowersox

Keith E. Brandau

John and Denise Breen

William and Ellen Brewer

Harry Brockus

**Jane A. Brockway**

**Jeffrey Brown**

Danita Brown Young

Jan and Dennis Buerkett

Jeff and Pam Burgoyne

Kimberli McCloud Burnett

**Charles Burton**

Carla E. Caceres

Martin Camargo

David Ceperley

Donna Chapel

**Chris and Lisa Cheely**

Shobashalini Chokkalingam

Kent and Lori Choquette

**John and Jamie Clausen**

**Jo Lynne Clauson and**

**Steve Mertens**

Laura Clower

**Anthony Cobb**

Peter Constable

Rhonda and Michael Costa

# WE FIGHT FOR EDUCATION

Success in life begins with a quality education. And yet, hundreds of children and youth in our community lack the support they need to strengthen their literacy, stay on track in school, graduate high school and find a career.

The Operation Hope program at Champaign Unit 4 Schools receives a United Way Community Impact Fund grant. The program works with low-income high school students who are at risk of not graduating due to many risk factors. These include unstable family dynamics, exposure to crime, violence, or drug and alcohol abuse, absence of adult role models, and more. Students join the program as freshman and continue through graduation.

Operation Hope staff provide wrap-around services including mentoring, advocacy, tutoring and academic supports, monthly peer group meetings and workshops, career and vocational experiences, college visits, and community service, cultural enrichment, and family engagement activities. Many students say their Operation Hope peer group becomes like a second family.

With special attention to academic progress, attendance, and behavior, staff help students set personal and academic goals, navigate the path to high school graduation, and have a plan in place for their future.

In 2019, 96% of seniors in the program graduated with a post-high school plan! This is significantly higher than the 82% average. Many students plan to attend college and have earned merit-based scholarships.

When more students graduate from high school, our whole community wins. High school graduates have access to better jobs, have greater earning potential, and are more engaged in their community.

With your Community Impact Fund gift, you're joining the fight to improve the education of every person in our community.



# HOMEWORK IS EASIER WHEN YOU ACTUALLY HAVE A HOME.

We ensure children and youth learn and grow by helping them achieve crucial developmental milestones, graduate high school on time and thrive in the job market.



1,401

CHILDREN EXPERIENCED ACADEMIC  
GROWTH THROUGH AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS



7,500

PARENTS RECEIVED OUR FREE GETTING  
READY FOR KINDERGARTEN CALENDAR



320

STUDENTS GAINED THE SOFT SKILLS  
NECESSARY TO HELP THEM GET & KEEP A JOB



6,270

PRESCHOOLERS ACHIEVED DEVELOPMENTAL  
MILESTONES AND ARE ON TRACK FOR  
KINDERGARTEN SUCCESS



467

AT-RISK YOUTH STAYED ON TRACK AND GRADUATED  
FROM HIGH SCHOOL

Tom and Rosemary Costello  
Marietta K. Coufal  
**Dan Crawmer and Nancy Clinton**  
**Lashaunda Cunningham**  
George and Sally Czapar  
**Mark Czys**  
**Tracy Dace**  
William Davey  
Debbie Day  
Mike and Joyce Day  
Ann and Dennis Deedrich  
Jayne and Joe DeLuce  
**Tatyana Deryugina**  
Harold and Nancy Diamond  
Gifts Fund  
**Adam and Anne Dill**  
Katheen Dominguez  
**Nanette Donohue**  
**Cale and Tracy Doubet**  
**Jay and Hyon Downey**  
**Fritz Drasgow**  
Bob and Cheryl Easter  
Melissa Edwards  
Brian and Sara Egeberg  
**Chad and Carrie Eisenmenger**  
**Celia and Jeff Elliott**  
Robert W. and Jane Elliott  
**Kevin and Chantel Ellis**  
**Charles and Ruth Ann Evans**  
Jeff and Tammie Fago  
**Frederick and**  
**Constance Fairchild**  
Charles and Deborah Feinen  
Doug Fink and  
Elizabeth Weathers  
**Greg and Kay Fink**  
Cynthia Fisher  
Tim and Susan Flanagan  
Cherie and Rod Fletcher  
**John and Jill Flodstrom**  
Mrs. Richard Foley  
Greg and Barbara Foster  
Shari Fox  
Matthew Frank and Kathy Shannon  
Lonnie and Jona Franklin  
Mike and Linda Fred  
**Tom and Bev Frey**  
Sue Fristoe  
**Samuel and Pamela Furrer**  
Teresa and Rich Gabel  
Charles Gammie  
Lianghe Gao  
Benjamin Garlock  
**Susan K. Gelvin**  
Philippe and Nancy Geubelle  
Donna Giertz  
Kyle Giertz  
**Todd and Claranne Gleason**



Nick and Patti Glumac  
**Helen and Gene Grandone**  
 Mike and Donna Greene  
 Julie Gunn  
**Pamela A. Gustafson**  
 Devon Wallis Hague  
**Russ and Linda Hamilton**  
 Cheryl Hanley-Maxwell  
**Carol and Rick Hannah**  
 Mike and Elizabeth Hannan  
 James and Sandra Hannum  
 Kiruba Haran  
**Chris and Katie Harlan**  
 James and Ellen Harms  
 Stephen and Karen Hartman  
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harvey  
**Julia Hawthorne**  
 Jane and Patrick Hayes  
**Tabatha and Greg Helm**  
**Steven E. Henderson**  
 Bev Herzog and Craig Cutbirth  
**Leon M. and Jean M. Hinton**  
**James Hipskind**  
**Duff and DeDee Hoel**  
 Patrick and Andrea Hoey  
 Robert and Hilary Holbrook  
 Kathleen Holden and  
 David Prochaska  
**Jean Holley**  
 Mark Holley  
 Lois Hoyer  
 Jose I. Hualde and Joyce L. Tolliver  
 Charles and Elizabeth Huber  
 Robert and Mary-Alayne Hughes  
 John Humlicek  
 Charles M. and Barbara S. Hundley  
 Kristin Hungerford  
 Brice Hutchcraft  
**Dr. Jennifer Ivory-Tatum**  
**Jerry and Helen Jahn**  
 Gilda Jennings  
**Patricia Johnson**  
 Lyn and Mike Jones  
 Patricia M. Jones  
**Chip and Jennifer Jorstad**  
**Janice Juraska**  
 Mary Kalantzis and Bill Cope  
 Rob Kanter  
**Richard and Judith Kaplan**  
 Troye and Herlinda Kauffman  
**Tammy Kikta**  
 Steve Kirwan  
 Napoleon Knight  
**Kris Koester**  
**Matthew and Andrea Kolb**  
 Joan and Charles Kozoll  
 Dave and Barb Kuhl  
**Elizabeth Ladd**

# WE FIGHT FOR FINANCIAL STABILITY

Problem solving, teamwork, creativity, communication and persistence are important job skills. These 'soft skills' are transferable to nearly every type of job.

The Vocational Options Program helps place youth with behavioral or emotional challenges in supportive job environments where they can grow. This program helps students build soft skills, find employment and become self-sufficient. United Way provides a financial stability Community Impact Fund Grant to support this program.

Aaron\* stands a little taller these days. His increased confidence is a direct result of the valuable experience he's gained at his job.

Aaron's job responsibilities at a local thrift store include tasks like sorting, tagging and pricing items, housekeeping, and maintaining the overall appearance and organization of the store. He also received customer service training, which is an important component that brings out appropriate social skills.

Often times, youth who experience emotional, behavior and mental challenges struggle to develop positive coping and behavioral skills, as well as develop the life skills necessary to be successful in our community. Aaron's employer worked with him to improve his soft skills and offered constructive input so he could grow.

Once Aaron proved he could accomplish his tasks with minimal coaching, he requested and was approved to move into a position where he could work more independently. This extra touch instilled the confidence Aaron needed to begin making decisions on his own.

More than 50 businesses participate in the Vocational Options program, providing local youth with the opportunity to become self-sufficient through training, support and real world experiences.

With your Community Impact Fund gift, you're joining the fight to improve the financial stability of every person in our community.

*\*While this story is real, names have been changed to protect privacy.*



# UNITED WE TURN JOBS INTO CAREERS.

We give people the education, resources and opportunities they need to improve their lives and the lives of their children — because a better future begins with financial stability.



120

FAMILIES ARE NO LONGER HOMELESS



245

PEOPLE RECEIVED FINANCIAL COUNSELING  
AND INCREASED THEIR CREDIT SCORE



1,922

PEOPLE ARE MORE FINANCIALLY  
STABLE



549

PEOPLE INCREASED THEIR INCOME AND BUILT A  
SAVINGS PLAN



190

INDIVIDUALS RECEIVED JOB-SKILLS TRAINING,  
HELPING THEM LAND QUALITY CAREERS

**Cloydia Hill Larimore**  
Andrew Lemoreux  
Pamela Lau  
Tony and Haruko Kinase-Leggett  
**Eric and Tammy Lemke**  
Mike and Elizabeth Lindemann  
**Marlin and Denise Livingston**  
Tom and Cathy Lockman  
**Kelly Duitsman Loschen**  
Cindy and Michael Loui  
Rose Luvaas  
Joseph and Barbara Lyding  
Drew MacGregor  
Carol W. Maddox  
**Sinead R. Madigan**  
**Rick and Melanie Manner**  
John Marden  
**Dan and Angie Marker**  
**ChaiVay and Remi Martin**  
**Janice McAteer and Mike Smith**  
Brad and Sandra McBride  
Brian and Kelly McClure  
**Jane and Michael McCulley**  
James K. McEnerney  
**Peter and Deborah McFarland**  
Johnpaul McGreal  
**James and Maggie McGuire**  
Mark and Melinda McHale  
**Dr. Patricia and Mr. Jon McNussen**  
**Stu and Susan Meacham**  
Evan M. and L. Lee Melhado  
**Bridget and Noah Melton**  
**Brian L. Merrill**  
Anna Merritt  
**Brittany Michaels**  
Jan and Karen Miller  
Judith K. Miller  
**Sallie and Norman Miller**  
Charolette Miszczak  
**G.A. and Aparna Naidu**  
**Traci Nally and Bruce Kelso**  
Andy and Kelly Nelson  
**Randall and Marcia E. Nelson**  
**Mark Netter and Eve Harwood**  
Joseph and Christine Nevitt  
**Ty and Debra Newell**  
**Colleen Nolan Grob**  
Margaret and Terry Noonan  
Alan and Kassandra Nudo  
Timothy Oberg  
**Martin and Emily O'Donnell**  
Linda Olsen  
Charles and Jan Olson  
Michelle Olson  
Kelly Oppe  
Doug and Charlotte Palm  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parker  
**Lorrie Pearson and Jeff Kohmstedt**

**Jana Perry**  
 Ronald Peters  
**Mark and Jennifer Peyton**  
 Donna Pittman  
**Meg and Jack Pittman**  
 Robert and Jane Plankenhorn  
 Mary Kay Pleck  
 Diane Pohl  
 Rodney and Stacey Poole  
 Lisa Power  
**Kevin and Jodie Pozzi**  
**Rebecca Preston**  
**John and Laurel Prussing**  
**William Qualls**  
**Andrew and Erin Quarnstrom**  
 Amanda Raklovits  
 Barbara J. Ramsay  
**Todd and Amy Randolph**  
**Allen and Carol Rinehart**  
 Mike and Barbara Roberts  
 Glenda Robertson  
 Margo Robinson  
**Sharee Robinson**  
 Dan and Karen Rock  
**Salvo and Betsy Rodriguez**  
**Christopher and Kate Rogers**  
**Mary Vita Rosmarino**  
 Sheryl Rounds  
**Stacey Roux**  
 Diane Ruedi  
 Marsha and Gary Russell  
 Gordon and Renee Salm  
 Emily and Bill Sanders  
 Alexander Scheeline and  
 Alice Berkson  
 Donald and Mary McCain Schlorff  
**Dennis Schmidt**  
 Alan and Amy Schuele  
 Norm and Pat Schutt  
**Matthew and Jacque Schweighart**  
 Tim and Judy Seh  
 Steven and Cheryl Seibert  
**Wes and Marjory Seitz**  
 John and Julianna Sellett  
**Todd and Rachel Sheets**  
 Trent Shepard  
**Nina Sibley-Richardson**  
 Kathleen Simmons  
 Charles and Patricia Simpson  
 Jamie Singson  
 Danniger Smith  
**Gregory and Vicky Smith**  
 Todd and Amie Smith  
 John Sollars  
**Shirley Soo and Matt Gorman**  
 Rosemary Garhart &  
 Frederick Stavins  
 Kevin Steffes

# BORN LEARNING TRAILS UNITE EDUCATION, PLAY, AND NATURE



You can't miss the colorful signs popping up all across Champaign County.

Over the past three years, United Way's Emerging Community Leaders have installed three Born Learning Trails in local parks.

The Born Learning Trail turns everyday experiences into teachable moments. These multi-station, family-learning courses connect learning in the classroom to real-world activities around the community and out in nature. The trails support language, literacy and social skills development, and remind us that learning can be fun.

This interactive trail contains signs with instructions for simple games that will turn an excursion at the park into fun learning moments for young children. The trail's theme of **Watch! Stop! Learn! Play!** encourages parents and caregivers to follow the child's lead, building the child's curiosity and confidence, and reinforces learning opportunities present in everyday life.

Our community's newest trail was installed in May 2019 at Wabash Park in Rantoul. It is unique as it features signs in both English and Spanish!

The Emerging Community Leaders program has a goal of installing 10 Born Learning Trails in parks all across the county by 2024.



## Visit a Born Learning Trail

### **Dana Colbert Park, Savoy**

203 E. Church St, Savoy

*Sponsored by Emerging Community Leaders and the Village of Savoy*

### **Beardsley Park, Champaign**

1006 N. Walnut St, Champaign

*Sponsored by Emerging Community Leaders, Barham Benefit Group and the Champaign Park District*

### **Wabash Park, Rantoul**

520 E. Wabash Ave, Rantoul

*Sponsored by Emerging Community Leaders and Village of Rantoul*



Jane Elizabeth Stegmaier  
Craig Stone  
Michael Stone  
**Steve and Lynette Strode**  
**Dustin and Stephanie Stuart**  
**Rich and Nancy Suchomski**  
**Tyler Suits**  
William C. Sullivan  
Kevin Teal  
**David and Carol Thomas**  
Jennifer Thompson  
**Marshall and Lelah Thompson**  
Steve and Jane Tock  
**Sandy Tompkins**  
Patrick Tranel  
Tim and Dorothe Trick  
**Carolyn Casady Trimble and Ralph Trimble**  
**Jim and Louise Turpin**  
**Bob and Mary Twardock**  
**Michael and Beverly Ujcich**  
**Bill and Joni Utnage**  
**Debra R. Vaux**  
Katie Vigil  
**Jack Waaler**  
Ross Wantland  
OJ Watkins and Marina Buttitta  
Robert A. Weatherford  
Jeanette Weider  
Laura and John Weis  
**Michelle Wellens**  
Don and Berta Wendel  
David and Laura Wetherell  
**Kyle and Molly Wetters**  
Brian and Stephanie Wheatley  
**Aaron and Hope Wheeler**  
Jewell and Tiffany White  
Glen L. Whitmer  
Gary T. and Connie L. Wikoff  
**William Wilder**  
Terrell Williams and Bobbie Hendrick  
Lori Williamson &  
the Williamson Family  
Michael Williamson  
**Carl and Diane Williford**  
Kerri Wiman  
Mark and Stacy Wisniewski  
**Rodney G. Woodworth**  
Ruth Worner  
**Jenny Zadeh**  
**Joan and Ted Zernich**  
Richard E. Ziegler

*Twenty-one Silver Pillars  
wish to remain anonymous.*



# THE MODERN UNITED WAY

As United Way of Champaign County approaches our 100th Anniversary year in 2023, we look to the future with enthusiasm. Our United Way is not the same as when we were founded – and neither is our community. In our world today, if leaders don't act, people will. We believe solutions to our greatest challenges will be realized when individuals and institutions work together. Our United Way is evolving and giving people platforms to connect, advocate and act.

## Women United

Our Women United group formally launched in 2018 and already has over 600 members! We ignite the power of women – who bring the passion, expertise, and resources needed to get things done – to create lasting change in our community. In just the first year, Women United has made a big impact by providing grants to assist families transitioning out of the Emergency Shelter for Families.

## Small Business Partnerships

Our Workplace Giving Campaign is a great solution for larger companies. But for small businesses, a more flexible plan is often the best way to help them maximize their community support. Through opportunities like sponsorship, volunteer days and Dine United, we're offering small businesses and entrepreneurs a platform for meaningful community engagement.



Growth and change are a constant in our world. But one thing remains steady – our mission to bring positive change and lasting impact in our community. Here are a few of our latest innovations.

### Emerging Community Leaders

Emerging Community Leaders (ECL) harnesses the energy and enthusiasm of our community's young professionals and channels it into meaningful community projects. Our 590 graduates are well on their way to reaching their goal of installing 10 Born Learning Trails in parks across our County. They also are the engine behind our work with the newly-acquired Bottom Line Diaper Bank.



### Community Impact Fund Grants

The United Way of today is driven by insight and data. We measure our success by lives changed - 48,000 over the past two years. This process combines people power - our grant review volunteers - and data to ensure your donation is used in a way that is truly changing lives.





## BRONZE PILLARS

Annual gift of \$500 - \$999

Annie R. Abbott  
Harold N. Adams  
**Maria Adams**  
Steven Aden  
Naveed A. Adoni  
Saad Adoni and Amena Saleem  
Connie F. Alexander  
**Andrew Alleyne**  
**Shauna Amdor**  
Penny Ames  
Thomas F. Anderson  
Matthew Ando  
Mary Arends-Kuenning and Matthew Kuenning  
Sean Arie  
Don and Suzi Armstrong  
Paul Arroyo  
Peter Ashbrook and Amanda Shepherd  
**Brian and Cindy Aubry**  
**Ashleigh Bachmann**  
Crystal and Greg Bailey  
Jonathan Bailey  
Vivian Bailey  
David A. and Laurel D. Bailie  
Sean and Megan Baird  
Brad and Kelli Baker

Carol Baker  
Gianina and Ronald Baker  
Bryan and Dr. Kayla Banks  
Marilyn L. Banks  
**Jennifer Gover Bannon**  
**Christine M. Bargman Rittman**  
**Barham Benefit Group**  
Tricia Barker  
Laura L. Barnes  
Chad and Cheryl Barringer  
**Diane Bates**  
Laura Bauer  
Sally and Neal Bauer  
**Jeremiah Baughman**  
**Vanessa and Phil Bechtel**  
Curt and Joan Beckemeyer  
Steve and Barbara Beckett  
Stephanie and Jon Beever  
Robert Bell  
**Shawna and Jeremy Benton**  
David Bergandine  
Matt Berning  
Craig and Wendy Bertram  
Christine Beuoy  
Gale and Gary Bickel  
Annette Bicknese  
Ken and Joy Bilger  
Kim Billman  
Lisa Black

Todd and Sara Black  
Richard Bodine and Linda Coomes  
Mr. and Mrs. Rick Boerema  
Eric and Jill Boland  
Roy E. Bond  
Natalie Bosecker  
Mike and Sarah Brady  
Laura Brauer  
Dana and Kathy Brenner  
**Bill and Debbie Brinkmann**  
Justin Brown  
Kendra Brown  
Kent and Amy Brown  
**Pat Brown**  
Michael and Pamela Brown  
Tom and Mary Ann Brown  
Melody Brucker  
**Cynthia and Tony Bruno**  
Beth Burke  
Dana Burns  
Jim and Deb Busey  
John and Judy Busey  
Jim and Donna Butler  
**Jim and Anne Button**  
David and Ann Byers  
Mike and Rita Byrd  
Eric Calamari  
Ralph Caldwell  
Lori Camacho

# DINE UNITED



For one week in April, local restaurants donate a portion of their sales to the Community Impact Fund.  
13 restaurants participated in 2019, raising \$4,241!

Elizabeth Camp  
 Jennifer Carlson  
**Kristine Carpenter**  
 Janet and Dave Carr  
 Matthew and Starla Carr  
**Marla Castor**  
 Kathryn Cataldo and Benjamin Lilies  
 Suzanna Challen  
 Margaret A. Chambers  
**Kimberly Cheek**  
**David Clark**  
 Joshua Clark  
**Peter and Chelsea Clausen**  
 Vicki Clements  
**Paula Cler Tankersley**  
**John Stanley and Daphne Cline**  
 Ronald Cline  
**Holly Clingan**  
**Dennis Cockrum**  
 Elyne Cole  
 Christopher Collins  
 Sampson Collins  
**Alyssa Combs**  
 Kathy Cooksey  
**Laurie Coward**  
**Anne Craig**  
 Roman Criollo  
 June Cullum  
 Daniel R. Cummings  
 Del and Sara Dahl  
**Robert Dalhaus**  
 Brad and Haylie Dancer  
 Deborah Davis

Jeff and Jodi Davis  
 Norman E. Davis  
 Ricky Davis  
 Tiffany Davis  
 B. A. Davis-Howe  
**Kyle and Cory Dawson**  
 Marilyn de Jong  
 Ed and Kamela DeAtley  
 Robert and Anne DeAtley  
 Lawrence and Cynthia DeBrock  
 Colin and Dana DeCair  
 Matt and Kate Deering  
 Patrick F. Devaney  
**Meg and Rob Dickinson**  
 Joan M. Dixon  
 Sheila Dodd  
**Newt Dodds**  
**David Donsbach**  
**Kurt and Julie Dörner**  
 Owen W. Doyle  
**Ryan and Caitlin Drake**  
 Bart Duesdieker  
 Leslie Dunavan  
 Bryan and Johnna Dunne  
**Ata and Amy Durukan**  
 Jennifer Eardley  
 Libby Ebelhar  
 Beth Edrington  
 Meg Edwards  
 Roberta Edwards and Richard Nohmer  
**Michael J. and Brenda Eilbracht**  
 Jim and Jennifer Eisenmenger  
 Madisan Eisenmenger

John and Lois Elder  
 Keith and Mary Emmons  
 Jason Ensign  
**Cynthia Eustice**  
**J. Bryant and Madeleine Evans**  
 James and Marlene Evans  
**Joella K. Evans**  
**Nicole Eveland**  
 Ed and Karen Ewald  
 Laurence and Cathy Fallon  
**Amanda Farthing**  
 Dave and Marietta Fernandes  
 Joan Fiesta  
 Pat and Susan Fitzgerald  
 Robert Flider  
 Caitlyn and Cody Floyd  
 Robert and Deborah Foertsch  
 Steven J. Franke  
 Angelica Franklin  
 Elizabeth Franklin  
 Kimberly Freemon  
 Keith and Amy Fruehling  
 Debra Fruitt  
 Donald Fulfer  
 Rochelle Funderburg  
**Elizabeth M. Funk**  
 James and Betty Gauze  
 Ann F. Gehant  
 Mark and Lorna Geiler  
**Judith Geistlinger**  
 Diane Genthner  
 Avijit Ghosh and Sara McLafferty  
**Daniel Gilbert**



# 2-1-1

211 is a vital service that connects people to help. It is the most comprehensive source of local human and social services information in the United States.

Highly trained, compassionate specialists are available 24/7. Simply dial 211 or visit [211.org](http://211.org)

In Champaign County, 211 is funded by United Way and the Champaign County Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Board.

Karl Gnadt  
Robert and Brenda Good  
Kenny and Terry Goode  
Debra Goodwin  
Alexia Gossett  
Michael W. Goudy  
Aaron Graham  
Ben and Melodi Gramig  
Darrell and Terry Gray  
**JoAnne Gray**  
Krista Gray  
Jim and Bianca Green  
Jason and Jennifer Vallowe  
Nancy Greenwalt and Mark Aber  
Kim Griffith  
Cenya Grimes  
Will Gritten  
**William and Patricia Gropp**  
David and Claudia Gross  
**Nicki Grubaugh**  
Stacie and Robert Guido  
Jon Gunderson  
**Aleshiea Gustafson**  
Laura Hahn  
Bruce and Elizabeth Hajek  
**Bill and Elaine Hall**  
**Paige and Mike Hall**  
Joe and Helen Hallbeck  
Jeffrey and Catherine Hallett  
Jeff Hamilton  
**Linda L. Hamilton**  
**Karen Hampton**  
Beth Hand  
**Chris Hannauer and Jody Hanger**

**Terry and Dave Harby**  
**Frances Harris**  
John D. Hart  
Connie Hasty  
Bruce and Paula Hatfield  
Curtis and Paula Hays  
Paul and Margaret Heald  
Robert and Julie Healy  
Angela Helmuth  
Vickie Hemann  
Wendy Hendon  
Josh and Melissa Hendricks  
David W. Henry  
Carl and Teri Herzog  
Forrest Heyman and Laura Chaddock-Heyman  
John and Laura Hill  
Malcolm and Sandra Hill  
Doug and Angie Himelick  
James and Heather Hintz  
Jim Hires  
Kimberly S. Hislope  
Rebecca and Tim Hodson  
**Wade and Yen Hoey**  
Chad and Catherine Hoffman  
Mark Hoge  
Tammy and Andy Hoggatt  
Jessica and Austin Hogue  
Jeffery Hohlbauch  
**Pamela Hohn**  
Elizabeth and Derek Hoiem  
Josh and Tonya Horn  
**Lyndsay Howell**  
**Jennie Hsu-Lumetta**  
Harold and Amy Huang

**Michelle Hughes**  
Charles Hulett  
Gordy and Pam Hulten  
The Hunzinger Family  
Diana and Roger Hustedt  
**Bruce and Ingrid Hutchings**  
Heidi Imker  
Sally Jackson  
Sanjiv and Namita Jain  
Andy Jayne  
Diane Jeffers  
**Joshua R. Jessup**  
Aaron and Nikki Johnson  
**Barry and Janeen Johnson**  
Cynthia J. Johnson  
Jason Johnson  
**Stephen and Tracey Johnson**  
Stephen Johnson  
Tina and Brad Johnson  
Deborah Johnston  
Rocky Franklin and Sharla Jolly  
John and Brenda Jones  
Robert J. and Lynn Hassan Jones  
**Patricia A. Justice**  
Beth and John Katsinas  
**Jennifer and Martin Kaufmann**  
**Gloria Keeley**  
Patrick Keenan  
**Julie Kellogg**  
Brad and Linda Kent  
**Mark and Tamara Kesler**  
Pradeep Khanna  
Kimberlee Kidwell  
Jan Kiley



# FARMERS FEEDING FAMILIES

This partnership between United Way, Sage Farms and the local agriculture community has raised over \$125,000 in 6 years for local food programs.

The Farmers Feeding Families program is possible due to generous support from the local agriculture community. Together we are fighting for the health of every person in our community.



Dr. Kevin and Alice Kirby  
Robert Kirkland  
Ken and Angela Kleber  
Tiffany and Chris Kloeppel  
Kirk Knapp

**Gregory Knott**

Pam and Phil Knox  
Gene and Lisa Koch  
Tom and Brenda Koester  
Paul and Corinne Kohler  
Jenna Koss

**Rob and Jennifer Kowalski**

Letha S. Kramer  
Trent Kramer  
Lawrence Krause  
**Curtis and Susan Krock**  
William Krudenier  
Mark and Christine Kuechler

Brian Kuhn  
Andy and Janet Kulczycki  
Betsy Lancaster

Reed and Sharon Larson  
**Randy and Linda Laugges**

**Veronica Lauria-Heugel**

**Kurt and Amy Leifheit**

Rick Lema  
Ben LeRoy  
Kathryn Levy

**Melanie and Brandon Lewis**

**Mike and Ellen Leyerle**

**Charlee and Geoffrey Lin**

David and Cynthia Line

**Ashley Lingafelter**

Mark and Patricia Lipton

**Jeff and Sarah Livesay**

Kimberly Longfellow  
Melanie Loots

**Brian and Sarah Lorbiecki**

James Lowe

**Steven and Lacey Lowe**

Mary Ann Luedtke  
Edward Lutz  
Kim Lytle  
Barbara Mann and Steven Hankel  
Allison Manolakes

**Sean Manuel**

Kyle Marcellus

**Kelly and Jennifer Marquardt**

**Stephen and Kathryn Marshak**

**Ann and Tim Marty**

Brandyn Mason

**Christine Mathias**

Jeff and Danielle Matthews

**Jeff and Kim Matthis**

**Alyssa Mayer**

Brent McBride

**Therese McCarthy**

Mark McCleary  
Dannel and Jeanette McCollum

**Stephen and Kara McConkey**

**Carla McCowan**

Thomas McCowan

Darla McCoy

**Karen McFarlin**

Sheri McKiernan

Cynthia and Eric McNussen

Prashant Mehta

**Lisa Meid**

Debra Merz

Mary Elizabeth Metcalf

**Rob and Jane Meyer**

Brenda Miller

Kristina Miller

Terrica Miller

Julie Misa

Danielle Molina

Brett and Kellie Mook

**Melanie Moore**

David Morgan

Arnie and Linda Morrison

Raymond Mucha

**Eddie and Terra Mullins**

**The Joe Murphy Family**

Lowa Mwilambwe

Renee Nagy

Ken Napper

**Kay Nees**

Gordon Nelson

Ben Newell

Martin Nieto

Tracy and Claudia Nugent

Thomas O'Donnell

**Barbara Oehlschlaeger-Garvey**

**Chadwick Olsen**

Craig Olson

**Joseph Omo-Osagie**

# BATTLE OF THE PADDLE

It's a morning filled with ping pong, friendly rivalries  
and supporting United Way – it's Battle of the Paddle!

Presented in partnership with Hickory Point Bank, this  
unique fundraiser pairs eager community members  
together for an epic ping pong matchup.

Our players have raised over \$65,000 for United Way in  
two years!



Charles and Leanne Osborne  
 Chad and Renee Osterbur  
 Cornelia Otnes  
 Mark and Mary Overmier  
 Brenda M. Pacey  
 Emily and Mark Palmer  
 Avinash and Sabeeha Pandya  
 Jenny and Peter Park  
 Thomas Parkinson  
 Jeff Parmenter  
 Chirag and Rucha Patel  
**Cliff J. Peete**  
 Andrew Peralta  
 Brandi and Bill Peterson  
 Greg and Ann Petry  
 Michael Pleasant  
**Allan and Marie Polk**  
**Roger and Heidi Ponder**  
**Kimberly Powers**  
 Ray and Dana Pratt  
**Terry and Eileen Prillaman**  
**Bette J. Prince**  
 Julie Pryde  
**Allison Pulkrabek**  
**Jane Quinlan and Rod Kingston**  
**Zach Quinn**  
 Stacy Rachel  
**Radek Family**

**Ashley Ramm**  
**Christopher Randles**  
 Michael Raub  
 Robert Rea  
 Rush and Stephanie Record  
 Jamie and Ben Reep  
 Ryan Reid  
 Bruce A. Reznick  
 Cynthia Rhodes  
**Troy Rhodes**  
 Julia Rietz and Allen Johnston  
 Ben and Judy Robbins  
**Kris E. Robbins**  
 Anne Robin  
**Michael Rogalla**  
 RaeAnn Ronk  
 Elyse Rosenbaum and Robert Smith  
 Bruce E. Roth  
 Lynne Rudasill  
**Stacey Russell**  
 Tom and LaMae Ryan  
 Gary Saladino  
 Jeff and Sally Salmons  
 Bruce Sammons  
 Suzanne M. Sampson  
 Greg and Lynne Sancken  
**Marvin D. Sanders**  
 Rebecca Sanders

Rosa Santos Gilbertz  
**Bianca Scarbrough**  
**Elizabeth Scheid**  
 Pat and Cindy Schilling  
 Scott Schingel  
 Mitch and Peg Schluter  
**Lauren Schmid**  
 Kenneth Schmidt  
 Leonard and Deborah Schmidt  
 Grace Schoedel  
 Jeffrey M. Schrader  
**Amber and Matthew Schulz**  
 Edra J. Scofield  
 Lauren and Chad Scroggins  
 John and Jane Seiler  
 Karen and Bill Sharp  
 Sharon Shavitt  
 Aaron Sheppard  
 Nadja Shoemaker  
 James G. Shriner and Cheryl Light Shriner  
 Chad and Tara Sieben  
 Gerry Smith  
 Joseph and Linda Smith  
 Kevin Smith  
 Kodi Smith  
 Stuart Smith  
 Carol Smith-Hassell  
**Bryan Snodgrass and Bryan Lake**

# LABOR PARTNERSHIPS

United Way and organized labor have been partnering since 1946.

We first came together right after World War II, as an innovative way to rebuild our nation. We looked different back then, but our shared passion for building a better world was evident from the start.

United Way (then the Community Chests) and labor's umbrella organizations (the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations) worked together to create a mechanism for payroll deduction. That resulted in labor representation on United Way boards, and evolved into collaborative fundraising and community development.

Since then, unions have been strong partners in the workplace campaign, encouraging union members to give and volunteer. And here in Champaign County, the East Central IL Building & Construction Trades Council sponsors our annual Kindergarten Readiness Golf Outing.



**John and Pat Snyder**

**Bethany Socie**

Catherine Somers

Penelope and Anthony Soskin

**Tim Spear**

Justin and Tori Spring

**Michelle and Gregory Stallmeyer**

**Brooke and Lee Starks**

**Nathan and Amanda Steffen**

Cecile Steinberg

Thomas Stickels

Les K. Storm

Stacey Storm

**David and Nancy Strang**

Kitty Kay Strong

Ada Sum

Quint and Kim Summers

Mike and Daughn Sutter

**Aaron and Jenn Sutton**

Tara and Jeff Swearingen

Mitch and Christine Swim

**Jedd and Myra Swisher**

Charles and Linda Tabb

**David and Johanna Thies**

John and Terry Thies

Susan Thomas

Alexis Thompson

Tracy Thurman

**Bridget and Anh To**

**Dianne Toalson**

Mark Toalson

**Rodney Tolliver**

**Toney and Jennifer Tomaso**

Jeff and Judy Troxell

Jon Trupin

**Darlene Tulua**

Kandace Turner

**Marietta Turner**

Teresa and Tom Twigg

**Kaitlyn Uden**

Chris and Kelly Uhlarik

Brad and Susan Underwood

**Jason VanAntwerp**

Rod and Donna Van Buskirk

Lou Van Den Dries

**Phillip and Cheryl Van Ness**

Charles and June Van Vorst

Vamsi Vasireddy

Emily and Bryan Vayr

**Marla and Rob Vearil**

**Helen Vedder**

Michael Vittone

Dan and April Vogelsang

Monty and Rebecca Wade

**Amy Wagoner Johnson**

Tracy Wahlfeldt

Jon Walden

**Karen and John Walker**

**Andrea and Kim Wallace-Dahl**

Cristina Waller

**Joan Walls**

Karla and Wayne Ward

Wanda Ward

**Cayla Waters**

**Andy Webb**

**James Webb**

**Fran and Jim Welch**

Daniel Welge

Randy Wells

Neena Tripathy and Justin Wenzell

Roger West

Morgan White

Jill Wilberg

**Rick and Danielle Wilberg**

John and Julie Wilcox

Lynn Wiley

**Mr. and Mrs. Scott Williamson**

Edie Wilson

Alex and Karen Winter-Nelson

Richard Wolf

Donald and Barbara Wuebbles

Mary Ellen Wuellner and Ann Panthen

**Vicki Wyatt**

Roger and Dolores Yarbrough

**Jon Youakim**

Tony and Kim Zahrn

Betty J. Zeedyk

Julia Anne Zemaitis

Kristen Zidon

**Dr. Susan Zola**

*Thirty-nine Bronze Pillars  
wish to remain anonymous.*

# BOTTOM LINE DIAPER BANK

**In 2019, United Way took over operations of the Bottom Line Diaper Bank!**

**The purpose of the Bottom Line Diaper Bank is to raise awareness about diaper need, how it affects low income families in Champaign County and around the country, and to help alleviate that diaper need.**

**The Bottom Line Diaper Bank is a unique partnership. The day to day administration is done by the United Way of Champaign County. It is run by a team of volunteers with support from the United Way staff. The Champaign-Urbana Public Health Department provides the storage and distribution space.**

**The Diaper Bank ties directly into United Way's mission, helping families improve their health and financial stability.**



# COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND GRANTS

To effectively address our community's most persistent problems, we must have an organized, proven strategy.

The Community Impact Fund is that strategy. It provides grants to 38 programs that fight for our goals in **Education, Health and Financial Stability**. Through this fund, United Way surrounds our community's biggest challenges to drive measurable results and lasting change. Our partner programs are using proven tools to achieve measurable outcomes.

Each year, more and more donors are maximizing the impact of the dollars they give by donating to the Community Impact Fund. A gift to this fund supports our work to improve Education, Health and Financial Stability.

## HEALTH



**Our Fight:** Access to affordable healthcare, especially behavioral and dental care, continues to be a challenge for many. Police calls for domestic violence and child abuse are high. Adults with developmental disabilities and senior citizens can feel isolated.

**Our Strategy:** Promoting optimal living with a focus on access to healthcare, independent living, healthy food and safety.

**Our Investment:** \$637,577 in grants to 16 programs

**Our Win:** 34,454 people have access to healthcare, dental care, behavioral healthcare, safety supports and healthy food.

## EDUCATION



**Our Fight:** Nearly 2/3 of children aren't prepared for kindergarten, leading to educational disparities that affect their long-term success. Issues outside the classroom cause youth to struggle to stay on track to graduate from high school. Many students that do graduate do not have a plan for their future.

**Our Strategy:** Improving academic achievement with a focus on childhood success, grade level success and high school graduation.

**Our Investment:** \$809,225 in grants to 13 programs

**Our Win:** 11,642 children and young adults have improved their math and reading skills and are on track to graduate from high school with a plan for their future.





## FINANCIAL STABILITY



**Our Fight:** 19.2% of Champaign County residents live below the poverty line. People are struggling to manage their finances and afford decent housing, and many don't have the job training needed to move ahead in their careers.

**Our Strategy:** Increasing economic mobility with a focus on financial literacy, workforce development and stable housing.

**Our Investment:** \$465,692 in grants to 9 programs

**Our Win:** 1,922 people have reduced debt, found stable housing or gained a job.

**48,018 PEOPLE** IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY  
HAD THE NECESSARY SUPPORT TO IMPROVE THEIR  
HEALTH, EDUCATION OR FINANCIAL STABILITY IN 2019.

# WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN PARTNERS

We would like to thank the following businesses for offering a Workplace Giving Campaign to their employees during the 2018 Annual Campaign. Giving via payroll deduction or fun office special events are simple and convenient ways for employees to give back to their community.

Aetna	C-U Public Health District	Pepsi-Cola C-U Bottling Company
Ambitech, a Zachry Group company	Cunningham Children's Home	Petry-Kuhne Company
amdocs	Daily Bread Soup Kitchen	PNC Bank
Ameren Illinois	Dansr	Prairie State Bank
Applied Research Associates	Depke Gases & Welding Supplies, Inc.	Promise Healthcare
AT&T Mobility	Developmental Services Center	Provident Financial Group
Bacon & Van Buskirk Glass Company	Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club	RACES – Rape Advocacy, Counseling and Education Services
BankChampaign, N.A.	Dr. Pepper/Snapple Group	Rantoul City Schools
Barber & DeAtley, Inc.	Eastern Illinois Foodbank	Regency Multifamily
Benefit Planning Consultants	ECI Building and Construction Trades	RK Dixon
Berns Clancy & Associates	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Robeson's Inc.
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Evans, Froehlich, Beth & Chamley	Rogards
Black & Company	F E Moran	Rosecrance
BSA, Prairielands Council	Family Advocacy of Champaign County	RSM US LLP
Busey	Family Service of Champaign County	Safeworks Illinois
Carle Foundation Hospital	Farnsworth Group	Sam's Club
Carter's Furniture	Federal Companies	Schnucks Stores - Champaign Store
Caterpillar Logistics Services	Federal Express	Schnucks Stores - Savoy Store
Caterpillar Simulation Center	FedEx Ground	Schnucks Stores - Urbana Store
Center for Youth and Family Solutions	First Federal Savings Bank	Shopko
Central Illinois Bank	First Financial Bank	Spherion
Champaign Country Club	First Mid Bank & Trust	Springfield Electric
Champaign County CASA	First Midwest Bank	State Farm
Champaign County Chamber of Commerce	First State Bank	Target Store
Champaign County Forest Preserve	Frasca International	Tepper Electric Supply
Champaign County Government	Girl Scouts of Central Illinois	Terminix Pest Control Champaign
Champaign Park District	Habitat For Humanity of Champaign County	The Andersons
Champaign Public Library	Heartland Bank	The Bromley Group of Companies
Champaign Outdoors	Hendrick House	The Downey Group, Inc.
Champaign Unit 4 Schools	Herff Jones Cap & Gown	The News-Gazette Media
Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation	Heyl Royster	Thomas Mamer
Champaign-Ford Counties Regional Office of Education	Hickory Point Bank	TJ Maxx
Christie Clinic	Human Kinetics	Tummelson Bryan & Knox
City of Champaign	Illini Radio Group	U of I Community Credit Union
City of Urbana	Illinois American Water	United Parcel Service
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	Illinois National Bank	United Way of Champaign County
Clinton Power Station-Exelon	Iroquois Federal	University of Illinois
Coldwell Banker Commercial	Jeld-Wen	University of Illinois YWCA
Devonshire Realty	Kirby Risk Electrical	University YMCA
Combe Laboratories	LyondellBasell Industries	UpClose Marketing & Printing
Combined Federal Campaign	Macy's Store	Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center
Comcast Communications	Mahomet Area Youth Club	Urbana Park District
Commerce Bank	Marine Bank	Urbana School District #116
Community Blood Services of Illinois	Martin Hood	Urbana-Champaign Sanitary District
Community Foundation of East Central Illinois	McClure Financial	US Bank
Community Service Center of Northern Champaign County	Meijer, Champaign Store	Village of Rantoul
Complete Care Pharmacies	Meijer, Urbana Store	Visit Champaign County
Courage Connection	Meyer Capel, A Professional Corporation	Vista Outdoor
Cozad Asset Management, Inc.	Midland States Bank	Walmart Stores
CRIS Healthy Aging	Morgan Stanley	WCIA/Channel 3
Crisis Nursery	Nvidia	Webber & Thies PC
C-U Mass Transit District	O'Byrne, Stanko, Kepley & Jefferson, P.C	Wells Fargo
	OSF Healthcare Heart of Mary Medical Center	Worden-Martin, Inc.
	Parkland College	

# ECC OF THE YEAR

The Employee Campaign Coordinator leads the annual United Way campaign at their workplace. Each year United Way recognizes the leaders of exemplary Workplace Giving Campaigns. They go above and beyond to encourage giving in their workplace. Workplace Giving Campaigns are a critical source of support for United Way, raising over \$1.7 million in 2018!



**Megan Stebel** of Farnsworth Group

**Rebecca Timothy, Manivone Sysouvanh, Hiep Tran, Kelisha Shrestha, Randy Hehmann, Shannon Long, Marci Michell, Kim McCollom, Mike Tague, Carey Phillips, Buffy Ater and Zach Baird** of Herff Jones

**Nicholas Braun and Marcus Sargeant** of LyondellBasell

**Dave Henry, Amanda Kennedy, Mitzi Villalon, Joy Vaughn-Peacock, Brian Bancroft and Kristina Huisinga** of PNC Bank (pictured)

**Tremayne Price and Joan Lund** of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

# SPIRIT OF CARING

The Spirit of Caring award is the highest honor presented by United Way of Champaign County. The award recipients exemplify the highest ideals of community service and commitment to United Way and the Champaign County community. At the 95th Annual Meeting, held February 22, 2019, we presented two awards.



The 2018 Spirit of Caring Award – Community Member was presented to **David & Susan Eades**. They have been instrumental in helping us to fund programs that serve the homeless and the Emergency Shelter for Families. In fact, their gifts have been crucial in getting the Emergency Family Shelter started. With a large family of their own, they understand the importance of making sure that families can stay together in times of need.



The 2018 Spirit of Caring Award – Business was presented to **James Barham and Barham Benefit Group**. You can see this small business' influence everywhere you go. Barham Benefit Group sponsors United Way's Pillar Leadership Giving and Emerging Community Leaders programs, as well as Power of the Purse. Outside of United Way, the company provides significant sponsorship to the Public Art League and many others, and James Barham has served on several local Boards.

# CORPORATE GIFTS, SPONSORSHIP AND FOUNDATION SUPPORT

We would like to thank the following organizations for their generous outright gifts, matching gifts, sponsorship, special events, in-kind gifts or grants in fiscal year 2019.

## **\$100,000+**

Carle Foundation Hospital

## **\$50,000 - \$99,999**

Busey

## **\$25,000 - \$49,999**

Ameren Illinois

Christie Clinic

Farmers Feeding Families

Sage Farms

## **\$10,000 - \$24,999**

Caterpillar Logistics Services

Barham Benefit Group

Exelon – Clinton Power Station

LyondellBasell Industries

Northwestern Mutual

McClure Financial

The Noel Foundation

PNC Bank

## **\$5,000 - \$9,999**

BankChampaign, N.A.

Broeren Russo Construction Inc

Champaign West Rotary Charities

CN

Herff Jones Cap & Gown

Illinois American Water

Intel Corporation

Iroquois Federal

Jeld-Wen

Pear Tree Estate

Subaru of Champaign County

UpClose Marketing & Printing

Worden-Martin, Inc.

## **\$2,500 - \$4,999**

AFL-CIO of Champaign County

AT&T

Bacon & Van Buskirk Glass Company

Champaign Jewelers

Coldwell Banker Commercial

Devonshire Realty

Core Spaces

Cozad Asset Management, Inc.

East Central Illinois Building and

Construction Trades Council

El Toro

F E Moran

First Mid Bank & Trust

Martin Hood LLC

OSF Healthcare Heart of Mary

Medical Center

Parkland College

Rockwell Automation

Sterling Wealth Management

T-Stagg Photography

Tepper Electric Supply

Thomas Mamer

University of Illinois - College of ACES

WCIA – Nexstar Media Group

## **\$1,000 - \$2,499**

Adams Outdoor Advertising

Champaign Jewelers

Champaign Outdoors

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Combe Laboratories

Comcast Communications

Commerce Bank

Emmanuel Memorial Episcopal Church

Faith United Methodist Church

Farm Credit Illinois

Federal Express

First Midwest Bank-Champaign County

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Heartland Bank

Hickory Point Bank

Korean Church of C-U Crossway

Longhorn Steakhouse

Marine Bank

Meijer

NICOR Gas

Peoples Gas

Petry-Kuhne Company

Plumbers & Pipefitters Loc #149

Reynolds Towing Service

Schnucks

Snyder Insurance

State Farm

Stella & Dot – Katy Behnke,

Independent Stylist

The Andersons

United Parcel Service

## **\$500 - \$999**

Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Berns Clancy & Associates PC

Culver's

D.P. Dough

Depke Gases & Welding Supplies, Inc.

Einstein Bros. Bagels

Enterprise Rent-A-Car

IBEW Local 601

Kiwanis Welfare Fund

MAC Sports Foundation

Operating Engineers Local 841

Social Science Club of Champaign-Urbana

Springfield Electric

Walmart

Watson's Shack & Rail

## **\$100 - \$499**

Aetna

Ambitech

Anna Schappaugh Insurance Agency, Inc.

Baldarottas

Bentley's

Carter's Furniture

Champaign Firefighters IAFF Local 1260

Church of the Advent Hope

Farnsworth Group

Global Giving Foundation

H & R Block

Hamilton Walker's

Hendrick House

Jarling's Custard Cup, Inc.

John Deere Intelligent Solutions Group

Kirby Risk Electrical

Lowe's

Manzella's Italian Patio Restaurant

Meatheads

Microsoft

Nando Milano

National Instruments

Painters Local 363

Pepsi-Cola C-U Bottling Company

RK Dixon

Rosati's Pizza

Savoy 16 Theater

United Union of Roofers Waterproofers/

Allied Workers Local #97

Yahoo, Inc.



# ANNUAL CAMPAIGN LEADERSHIP



Vibrant. Authentic. Hardworking. Community-minded.

Our 2019 United Way Campaign Chairs Jason and Lisa Rector are all that and more. They were thrilled when we asked them to take the reins from our 2018 Chairs Jayne DeLuce and Jim Turpin.

Jason and Lisa's intentions for the 2019 Annual Campaign are twofold: increase awareness of United Way, and inspire the next generation to become United Way Pillars.

Jim and Jayne led United Way to one of our highest Annual Campaign totals yet. We have no doubt that Jason and Lisa will help United Way continue to reach great heights.

## SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT: THOMAS MAMER

Thomas Mamer LLP is a seventeen-attorney firm that has resided in downtown Champaign for over seventy years. The firm has diligently and meticulously cultivated practices in the areas of medical malpractice defense, employment law, workers' compensation, estate planning, estate administration, real estate, and probate, amongst others.



**THOMAS MAMER**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

"Our firm has consistently, quietly supported a broad range of philanthropic endeavors in our community for decades upon decades. Collectively, we support the United Way because we have confidence in their ability to proactively find the greatest needs in our community and seek to meet them where they are.

Personally, it is important to me to know that an extremely high percentage of every dollar that we give goes to the purpose that it was intended for, and I have always respected United Way's efficiency and transparency in that regard." –Austin J. Hill, Estate Planning and Probate Attorney.

United Way would like to thank Thomas Mamer LLP for their sponsorship of our Pillars Leadership Giving Program in 2019.

# FISCAL YEAR 2019 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

■ Total assets	\$6,255,323
■ Total current liabilities	\$1,810,730
■ Total net assets	\$4,444,593
■ Total liabilities and net assets	\$6,255,323
■ Total revenue	\$3,932,263
■ Total expenses	\$2,599,511

For a complete listing of our program funding, a copy of our unqualified audit report or a copy of our Form 990 visit [www.uwayhelps.org](http://www.uwayhelps.org) or contact our office.

## OUR WORK

**87%**  
Community  
Impact



**8.9%**

Resource  
Development

**4.1%**

Administration

*\*Source: FY2019 Form 990.*

## COMMITTED TO TRANSPARENCY

At United Way of Champaign County, we know our donors trust us to utilize their donations efficiently and effectively. This trust is of paramount importance to us.

We are pleased to report that we have been awarded the highest possible ratings by Guidestar and Charity Navigator. These organizations evaluate charities on their financial health, accountability and transparency.

Additionally, we have completed all requirements to be a Member in Good Standing of United Way Worldwide and United Way of Illinois. These relationships provide our organization with a network of supports and valuable professional resources. We remain, as we have always been, an independent organization with full **local** decision-making.



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our Board is comprised of volunteers who are committed to the mission of United Way of Champaign County. We're proud to be led by local people who live and work in our county, and make decisions on a local level.

## Chair

**Andy Quarnstrom**

Champaign Firefighters Local 1260

## Past Chair

**Beth Auterman**

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

## Chair Elect

**Greg Anderson**

U of I Community Credit Union

## Treasurer

**Julie Shapland**

University of Illinois, Gies College of Business

## Secretary

**John Kluth**

CCMSI

## Community Impact Chair

**Bill Bell**

University of Illinois, College of Engineering

## Resource Development Chair

**Sarah Zehr**

University of Illinois, Academic Affairs

## Executive Committee At-Large

**Julie Dörner**

CORE Spaces

## President & CEO, United Way of Champaign County

**Sue Grey**

**Maureen Banks**, University of Illinois,

Facilities & Services

**Cheryl Barringer**, Champaign Unit 4 Schools

**Cynthia Bruno**, Busey

**Ben Brunworth**, Altamont Company

**Dawn Carson**, Community Member

**Mike DeLorenzo**, University of Illinois,

Office of the Chancellor

**Carrie Eisenmenger**, Northwestern Mutual

**Chris Evangelisti**, Flex-N-Gate

**Barb Harrington**, Busey

**Randy Hulett**, OSF Healthcare

**Chris Kloeppel**, Plumbers and Pipefitters,  
Local 149

**Martin O'Donnell**, Busey

**John Olson**, Federal Companies

**Blair Rowitz**, Carle

**Diane Ruedi**, FE Moran

**Justin Spring**, University of Illinois,  
Division of Intercollegiate Athletics

**Stephanie Stuart**, Parkland College

**Scott Williamson**, Community Member

**Mark Wisniewski**, Busey



# STAFF

## President and CEO

Sue Grey

## Chief Financial Officer

Cathy Baird

## Chief Development Officer

Becca Guyette

## Director of Campaign Development

Nancy Suchomski

## Director of Community Impact

Beverly Baker

## Director of Marketing & Engagement

Mary Noel Stefan

## Director of New Business & Campaign Development

Salvo Rodriguez

## Associate Director of Community Impact

Amy Huang

## Administrative Assistant

Helen Gotschall

## AFL-CIO Community Services Liaison

Brad Diel





United Way of Champaign County  
5 Dunlap Court • Savoy, IL 61874  
217-352-5151  
[www.uwayhelps.org](http://www.uwayhelps.org)



Thank you to our Leadership Giving Sponsors



Thank you for Living United. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy. We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions.