

targeted needs agencies 2005 grant recipients

Each year, United Way extends its reach by partnering with agencies outside the traditional United Way system. These agencies offer programs that address priority community needs in important and innovative ways. United Way is pleased to have awarded special grants to the following agencies in 2005:

Children's Corner Daycare Ministry
Community Marriage Builders
GEM Ministries
Cliff Hagan Boys & Girls Club
The Literacy Center
Lutheran Child & Family Services
Meals on Wheels
Stir-n-Up Hope
Youth Resources of S.W. Indiana

united way's mission [why we're here]

OUR MISSION

[the reason united way exists]

IS TO IMPROVE LIVES

[above all, we are here to help people]

BY MOBILIZING

[we bring people together to create change]

THE CARING POWER

[united way helps people make
the greatest difference possible.]

OF COMMUNITIES.

[we're local. your money stays right here.]

united way agencies 2005

Albion Fellows Bacon Center
American Red Cross of Southwestern IN
American Red Cross - Warrick County
ARK Crisis Prevention Nursery
Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Boys & Girls Club of Evansville
Boy Scouts of America - Buffalo Trace Council
Carver Community Organization
Catholic Charities Bureau
Christian Resource Center
Crisis Connection
Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center
ECHO Community Health Care
Evansville ARC
Evansville Association for the Blind
Girl Scouts of the Raintree Council
Goodwill Family Center
Impact Christian Health Center
Lampion Center
Legal Aid Society
Mental Health Association - Spencer Co.
Mental Health Assoc. - Vand./Warrick Co.
North Spencer Community Action Center
Outreach Ministries
St. Vincent's Day Care Center
The Salvation Army
Spencer County Council on Aging
Spencer County Hospice
Vanderburgh County CASA
Vanderburgh Co. Council on Aging-
Handyman and Homemaker Programs
Visiting Nurse Association
VOICES
Warrick County Council on Aging
Y.M.C.A.
Y.W.C.A.
Youth Service Bureau

a world of change
deserves a world of thanks.
you have ours.

for real stories of people
whose lives you've touched,
visit us on-line at
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hope matters.

we are the united way
of southwestern indiana,
serving vanderburgh, warrick
and spencer counties.

if you need help, we are here.
dial 2-1-1 for services,
or reach us at 422-4100.



the needs are real.

[local statistics from our community]

invest in what matters to you.

[health. families. children. neighborhoods. results.]

every dollar matters.

[see how your pledge is invested.]

Why is United Way so familiar with the needs in our community? We study them first-hand. United Way recently completed its 2004-05 Regional Needs Assessment. We conducted surveys and compiled local statistics. Below are several that highlight our community's most pressing issues.

Almost one in five local residents have an average household income of \$15,000 or less. **That means 20% of our neighbors - including children - are living in poverty.**

Our 8th, 10th & 12th grade alcohol usage rates are **212% to 240% higher than the national average.**

In our community, **daily marijuana use is more common than daily alcohol use.**

41% of all babies born in Vanderburgh County in 2002 were born to a single mother.

25% of children are responsible for taking care of themselves after school.

At least half of adults arrested for major crimes **test positive for drugs or alcohol.**

There were **2,866 reports of child abuse & neglect** in Vanderburgh, Warrick & Spencer Co. in 2003.

There were **2,551 arrests for DUI** in Southwestern Indiana last year.

Community Safety Net

United Way helps provide support services for 89,000 local individuals and families each year. Our volunteers carefully invest each donation (88 cents of every dollar!) into a safety net of 100 programs. Just as no one person can impact an issue on their own, neither can any one agency. When a person or family is vulnerable or in crisis, they almost always need the help of more than one agency to get back on their feet. That's why United Way is so important. We are that central, coordinated hub in the wheel providing a complete circle of care for all those who rely on us for help.



In addition to providing help to people in need, United Way is also working toward permanent solutions. The only way to truly impact community needs is to create lasting changes. That's why United Way is taking a leadership role and bringing together community leaders, nonprofits businesses, schools and the public in an effort to improve local conditions. Your donation goes further because it helps people in need *and* helps prevent our community's most pressing problems from occurring in the first place. Together, we can achieve what matters most... making life better for all of us.

Addressing Root Causes



This is the **best kind of magic.** The kind where every dollar you give turns into something priceless...

a **ride to chemo** for a cancer patient,
prenatal care for an unborn baby,
safe shelter for a mother and child,
physical therapy for an accident victim.

For every dollar you give each week, you change another life. **Here's how.**

each \$50 given this year provides...

- 6 hours of **child protection** for a boy or girl at risk of abuse and neglect
- 11 elderly people with a hot, **nutritious meal**
- 4 days of **after-school programs** for a youth
- 1 month of a one-on-one match between a child and a **positive adult role model**
- 3 families with a night of **emergency shelter**
- 12 teenagers with suicide intervention from a **crisis line**
- 2 counseling sessions for a child victim of **domestic violence**
- 6 hours of **Alzheimer's support services**
- 1 hour of a group that empowers teens on how to **avoid illegal drug and alcohol use**
- 16 days of safe **summer outreach** activities