



# WE ARE THE PROBLEM SOLVERS.

United Way of Southeast Missouri invests in over 30 programs provided by 24 local agencies.

- 4-H of Cape, Perry, and Scott Counties
- American Red Cross
- A.P.P.L.E. Paperwork Services
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Boy Scouts of America
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Missouri
- Cape Girardeau Public Schools
- Community Caring Council
- Educare
- First Call for Help
- Girl Scouts of the Missouri Heartland
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hoover Center
- Jackson Ministerial Alliance
- Jackson R-2 Schools
- Jackson Senior Center
- Little Whitewater Baptist Church Food Pantry
- Lutheran Family & Children's Services
- Read to Excel
- Read to Succeed
- Safe House for Women
- Scott City Ministerial Alliance
- The Salvation Army
- Voices for Children (CASA)

Thanks to United Way Corporate Investors, 99% of individual donations go directly to the programs we support.



# UNITED WE FIGHT. UNITED WE WIN.

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# WE ARE THE GAME CHANGERS.



United Way fights for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in every community we serve. We fight for the unemployed, the homeless, the working families, the children, the seniors, and we fight for every dollar we can find to help them.

But we are more than do gooders and fund raisers. We are problem solvers, task masters, hand raisers. We raise our hands not only to lead the fight, but to reach out to and lift up the people who need help. And those who need hope.

To Live United means to find new solutions to old problems, forge unlikely partnerships, mobilize collective resources, and inspire individuals to join the

fight against our community's most daunting problems. And we need YOU to join the fight. Your passion, expertise, and resources will help transform the fighters into winners. YOU can help create a win that's not just a short-term contribution but a long-lasting solution.

**If you're ready to be a game changer, raise your hand. Because United we fight, United we win. We have one life. To live better, we must Live United.**



**Imagine** you and your spouse are expecting your third child when the plant that sustained your family for years eliminates your job two weeks before the baby is due. Your paycheck was barely enough to pay the bills. How will you pay for formula, diapers and food?

This happened to Robert and Mary, who chose to stay home with the children, because her salary as a Licensed Practical Nurse did not pay much more than the cost of child care. As she made plans to return to work after the baby arrived, she realized her LPN credentials had expired.

Fortunately, they learned about **First Call For Help**. In one call they were connected with a social worker funded by United Way donors. Reaching out to the United Way network of partner agencies, she located formula and diapers. She also contacted **Educare**, who provided parenting support and helped find daycare where the children would receive a meal and quality care. Then First Call For Help connected Mary with resources to renew her nursing license and to regain employment. Robert was directed to **The Salvation Army** for case management services to help build his resume, schedule job interviews, and return to work.

Mary and Robert could have been another unemployment statistic. But thanks to United Way donors and partners who fight for them, they are now a thriving family.

**288**

students improved their literacy skills with Read to Succeed and Read to Excel.

**2,072**

family cases were opened and assisted by First Call for Help.

**32,694**

lives were touched by a program funded by United Way.

**6,082**

hours were invested by United Way volunteers.

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