

WE ARE THE GAME CHANGERS.



Our support helped 7,000 senior citizens remain healthier and independent and saved them \$442,000 in prescriptions and billing.



We helped over 17,000 people with the most basic of needs by investing in area food pantries and Meals with Friends.



97% of students in after-school programming funded by United Way are on track to graduate high school on time.

United Way is more than do gooders and fund raisers. We are problem solvers, task masters, and hand raisers, fighting for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in every community we serve.

If you're ready to be a game changer, raise your hand. Because United we fight, United we win.

Donate or volunteer at www.unitedwayofsemo.org

United Way of
Southeast Missouri



United Way of Southeast Missouri is collecting data to help guide our strategic plan and future initiatives. Next year we will begin a new three-year funding cycle, and we want to ensure our investments in programs and partners meet the need you see in Southeast Missouri.

Please complete this survey, which will help guide our strategic plan, future initiatives, and partner funding for the next three years. Leave your email for a chance to win a \$20 gift card.

Thank you for your help!

www.unitedwayofsemo.org/survey

Look at How You Impacted Southeast Missouri!

Nearly 33,000 children, students, senior citizens and adults of all ages received help through United Way of Southeast Missouri during our 2017 campaign year of July 2017 through June 2018. We are preparing a comprehensive annual report, but as we begin our 2018 campaign we felt it was important to share early results with our donors and the rest of the community.

United Way of Southeast Missouri (UWSEMO) fights for the health, education, and financial stability of everyone in Cape Girardeau, Jackson, Scott City, and Bollinger and Perry Counties. While we support many programs that help with emergency needs, our goal is to invest in programs that move individuals and families away from need toward independence and success in life.

Here are some of the impressive results from 2017-18:

- 7,036 senior citizens remained healthier and in their own homes through support of older-adult programs from A.P.P.L.E, Hoover Center, Lutheran Family/Children Services, and the Jackson Senior Center
- 288 students in Cape Girardeau and Scott City received literacy tutoring through Read to Succeed/Excel with most gaining a minimum of one reading level

[Read more about our impact](#)

Welcome, New Board Members!

The United Way of Southeast Missouri is proud to announce changes to its Board of Directors and the introduction of a new Advisory Council.



Recently, the board voted to reduce the size of the board, which at one time was up to 25 directors, and allow many to move to a newly created Advisory Council. The Council is made up of 30 members of the four counties served by United Way of Southeast Missouri: Cape Girardeau, Scott, Perry, and Bollinger. The Advisory Council includes area superintendents, mayors, chamber presidents, social service providers,

nonprofit leaders, health facility representatives, as well as other community members who work in fields related to United Way's key focus areas: health, education, and financial stability.

The Board of Directors meets monthly, while the Advisory Council will meet quarterly. Many board members who moved had been on the UWSEMO board for many years as ex officio members with no term of expiration. According to Elizabeth Shelton, Executive Director of United Way of Southeast Missouri, "This provides an opportunity for them to remain engaged with less of a time commitment. We still need their expertise and guidance, but some had been on the board for ten years with no term limit. It also makes for a more manageable board size."

[Learn about our board of directors & advisory council](#)

Farewell, and thank you, Kristin!

We are sadly excited to share that Kristin Funderburk will be leaving Cape Girardeau and relocating to St. Louis. She has accepted a position with Racquet Club Ladue and her last day will be Friday, September 28.

In the two years she has been with us, Kristin has contributed valuable ideas and talent that truly have brought energy to our organization, and she will be missed. Please join us at an open house on Friday, September 28 from 11AM-1PM at the United Way office.

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We hope you will drop in and wish Kristin well on her next adventure as Communications & Membership Coordinator at Racquet Club Ladue!

Friday, September 28, 2018
United Way of Southeast Missouri Office
1417 North Mount Auburn Rd. Suite D
11AM-1PM

WELL

Save the Dates!

There are many ways to be involved with our organization and community. We hope to

see you at one or more of these events!



Get on the Bus! Agency Tour

Friday, October 19th
2pm-5pm; The American Red Cross
[Sign up now!](#)



Over the Edge

Friday, May 17th
Towers North - SEMO Campus
[Join our planning committee!!](#)

Volunteer Corner

Are you looking to get involved and give back?! United Way and our 24 partner agencies are always looking for volunteers. Whether you have some extra time at work to dedicate to giving back, or you're looking for a team-building exercise with a spin, our volunteer corner has something for you. Check out our current opportunities below.



The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army is seeking volunteers to help ring bells during their annual kettle campaign! The opportunity is open to individuals and organizations between November 16th and December 24th.

Contact [Lt. Matt DeGonia](#) to learn more!



Read to Succeed

Volunteers are needed to help with our early literacy program! Various session times are available throughout the day at Cape Girardeau Public Schools. Volunteers have the opportunity to read one-on-one with a student in grades K-4.

Contact [Robin Koetting](#) to learn more!



Old Town Cape

Old Town Cape is seeking volunteers to help with event set-up and tear-down at the Riverfront Market on Saturday mornings.

Contact [Emily Vines](#) to learn more!

Safe House for Women

Volunteers are needed to receive, sort and stock donated items for our thrift shop. This is a great opportunity for a one-day service project for a company or organization.



Contact [Elizabeth Hileman](#) to learn more!

Jackson Senior Center

O.A.K.S. Center of Jackson

OLDER ADULTS KEEP SERVING

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The Jackson Senior Center is looking for volunteers to help with meal delivery and dish washing! Volunteers are needed all days of the week for various times.

Contact Janet Hitt at 573-243-4241 to learn more!



Boy Scouts of America

Volunteers are needed to assist with various functions of the Boy Scouts of America organization. Scouting experience is not required.

Contact [Ashley Duerst](#) to learn more!

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