

Greater Mankato Area United Way



GREATER MANKATO AREA UNITED WAY 2018 ANNUAL REPORT









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A LETTER FROM THE CEO



Dear Friends,

Grateful. Together. Independent. Hope.

These are just a few of the most common words found in the stories of recipients of Greater Mankato Area United Way programs.

Thanks to varied support from both corporate and community givers, we reached our 2019 campaign goal of \$2,050,000 for our partner programs who work every day to improve lives in our region. We are grateful for the comprehensive support of our region to make this possible. From volunteering and donating to offering talents and in-kind gifts, our community members and businesses are passionate about seeing our region thrive.

This past year, as part of our mission to support basic needs, health and education of individuals and families of all ages, we continued to hold activities to promote the work of our programs, raise awareness of our region's needs and fundraise for our programs. As always, we rely on generous sponsorships and in-kind donations to implement these events. We also continue to focus on our mission of convening the community to make lasting change in areas including housing and youth development.

We look forward to continue working to build a better tomorrow for all by ensuring our region stays strong and balanced. We are truly making a difference together.

Best regards,

Barb Kaus, CEO

Greater Mankato Area United Way

Barb Kaus

OUR MISSION



Greater Mankato Area United Way

Greater Mankato Area United Way's mission is to unite the community to secure and invest resources to improve people's lives by focusing on the impact areas of Basic Needs, Health and Education. All of our programs must fall into at least one of these areas. By keeping these three pillars strong and balanced, we can continue to build a better tomorrow for all in our region.

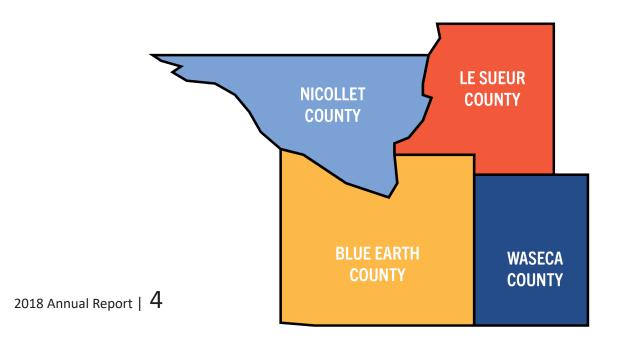
OUR IMPACT

We make every effort to ensure donor dollars are being used efficiently by utilizing volunteer resources, sponsorships and in-kind donations.

In 2018:

- More than 1,000 VOLUNTEERS donated over 9,000 hours of service.
- Over 6,000 INDIVIDUALS contributed FINANCIAL DONATIONS toward the campaign.
- Over 30 GENEROUS REGIONAL BUSINESSES and other community partners offered SPONSORSHIPS for events, supplies and more.
- Corporate and community supporters gave **IN-KIND DONATIONS** valued at more than **\$250,000**.

SERVICE AREA MAP



BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Greater Mankato Area United Way

Tami Paulsen, Chair of the Board Kevin Velasquez, Vice Chair of the Board Tyson Twait, Vice Chair of Finance Shane Van Engen, Vice Chair of Campaign Kevin Velasquez, Vice Chair of Community Impact **Erin Aanenson**

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Mike Bresnahan

Steve Jameson

Shannon Messer

Andy Nessler

Matt Norland

Jay Parker

Joe Paulsen

Brandon Scheel

Todd Snell

Ryan Walker

Jolene Wall

Marilyn Wells

STAFF

Barb Kaus, CEO Rande Baker, Resource & Donor Development Assistant Gwen Bauer, Campaign Data Analyst Janice Berndt, Director of Finance Kerstyn Cafarelli, Outreach Coordinator Elizabeth Harstad, Director of Community Impact Laura Murray, Communications & Marketing Director **Sue Pankratz,** Data Support Cindy Rothenbuehler, Office & Communications Assistant Nicole Swanson, Resource & Donor Development Director

2018 PARTNER AGENCIES



Greater Mankato Area United Way

57 PROGRAMS, 37 AGENCIES

Achieving Dreams for Disabilities

American Red Cross

Disaster Services

Arc of MN Southwest

Self Advocacy

Blue Earth County First Steps

Early Intervention **Home Visiting**

Boy Scouts Twin Valley Council

Youth Programming

Catholic Charities

Common Good RSVP

Cedar Valley Services

SMART Senior Transportation

Centenary UMC

Holy Grounds

Committee Against Domestic Abuse

Therapeutic Counseling & Support

Creative Play Place

Feeding Our Communities Partners

BackPack Food Program

Greater Mankato Area United Way

Books for Kids

Greater Mankato Diversity Council

Promoting Respect Workshops

Gustavus Adolphus College

Big Partner Little Partner

Gustie Buddies

Lake Crystal Area Recreation Center

Membership Scholarships

Lake Crystal Community Education

Camp Mid-Knights Summer Enrichment Salvation Army

Leisure Education for Exceptional

People (LEEP)

Life-Work Planning Center

Women in Transition

Lutheran Social Services

Crisis Nursery

Financial Counseling

My Life My Choice One Home

Senior Nutrition

MAGFA Girls Fastpitch

Scholarships

Mankato Community Education &

Recreation

Connecting Kids

Lincoln Logs Learning Center

MAPS Preschool

Ready! For Kindergarten

MAYBA Youth Baseball

Scholarships

MN Council of Churches

Refugee Services

Open Door Health Center

Integrated Clinic Operations

Partners for Affordable Housing

Welcome Home Transitonal Housing

Project for Teens

Peer Education

Project GEM

Art/Music Youth Program

Emergency Social Services

Noon Meal Program

SMILES

Assistive Technology

Recreation

Southern MN Regional Legal Services

Lawyers Advancing Wellness

St. Peter Area Food Shelf

Children's Weekend Food Program

St. Peter Community & Family

Education

School Readiness

VINE Faith in Action

Aging Well at the VACC

Door to Door Transportation

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Waseca Area Neighborhood Service

Center

BackPack Program

Emergency Social Services

Waseca Area Senior Citizens Center

YMCA

Brother/Sister Program Chesley Roller Sports Park

Financial Assistance

School-based Mentoring

STRIDE

YWCA

Girls Programming

New American Families

FINANCIALS

As of December 31, 2018



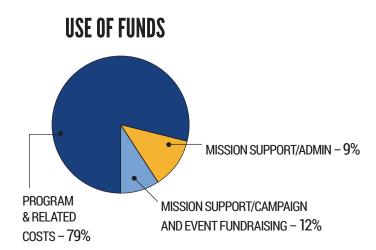
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

From Audited Financial Report

Total Public Support and Revenues \$2,968,871	Total Public Su	pport and	Revenues	\$2,968,871
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\$1,448,503 \$ 555,468
\$ 228,269 \$ 652,363
\$2,884,603 \$ 84,268

By reducing expenses and increasing activities, we were able to raise funds to increase program allocations in the next year.



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

MAJOR PROGRAM COSTS BREAKDOWN

Current Assets Fixed Assets Total Assets	\$2,565,127 \$8,936 \$2,574,063	
Current Liabilities	\$119,402	COMMUNITY IMPACT -
Net Assets: Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted Total Net Assets	\$638,899 \$815,762 \$2,454,661	COMMUNITY IMPACT - HEALTH - 29% COMMUNITY IMPACT - BASIC NEEDS - 29%
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$2,574,063	DI IOIO NEEDO 25%

Audited financial statements and IRS Form 990 available upon request.

CORE COMMITMENTS



Greater Mankato Area United Way

Greater Mankato Area United Way's core commitments are to Convene the Community, Secure Resources, and Connect People and Organizations to Resources. United Way secures resources by successfully soliciting over 12,000 individuals and businesses in the Greater Mankato Area during the annual campaign. By successfully receiving over \$2,069,000 in donation pledges, our United Way provided funding to 57 programs within 37 local nonprofit agencies in 2018. This included an initial increase in funding to 13 partner programs and new funding to 12 programs. After surpassing campaign goal, an additional increase in funding was provided to 12 programs. United Way helps to improve peoples lives by supporting basic needs, health and education.

COMMUNITY IMPACT: BASIC NEEDS

United Way stabilizes families in need and gives them tools for success. The focus of Basic Needs supports advancing the common good by providing basic needs like food, clothing, shelter and emergency services. This focus area also supports programs to increase the self-sufficiency through building systems of support for individuals and families. These programs served over 6,104 people in 2018.

COMMUNITY IMPACT: HEALTH

United Way helps people live healthy, independent lives. The focus of Health supports increased independence through building systems of support for older individuals, support for individuals with disabilities to live their lives fully engaged in our communities and supporting vulnerable families and individuals by providing them tools to maintain all aspects of healthy living. These programs served over 20,782 people in 2018.

COMMUNITY IMPACT: EDUCATION

The focus area of Education is structured to building systems of support for parents and young children to ensure that all children are ready for kindergarten, ensure youth have healthy growth and development opportunities and that youth have access to quality youth development programs that foster positive experiences. These programs served over 24,935 youth in 2018.

CONVENING THE COMMUNITY



Greater Mankato Area United Way

In addition to securing resources to fund programs, United Way convenes the community to identify needs, bring awareness to topics, and facilitate action around community issues.

In 2018, through a partnership with Greater Mankato Area United Way, a Christian ministry purchased the St. Peter Motel and donated it to Partners for Affordable Housing, which will transition the property into a new emergency homeless shelter.

Greater Mankato Area United Way also brought together community members, organizations and leaders of all levels for discussion, awareness and future action around issues such as early childhood development and youth activity opportunities.

Our United Way's literacy initatives include the Books for Kids program sponsored by Capstone and the 4th-Grade Book Project, sponsored by the Olseth Family Foundation.

Greater Mankato Area United Way also connects people and organizations to resources through tools such as Get Connected, an online volunteer management system utilized by regional organizations and volunteers, as well as 2-1-1, a community helpline.

United Way serves as leadership for Project Community Connect, an annual expo-style event that offers resources to people who are homeless or low-income. In 2018, this event welcomed more than 600 regional guests in need of services that ranged from housing and employment to haircuts and childcare.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



VOLUNTEER THANK YOU EVENT MEN'S EVENT SUCCESS BY SIX FORUMS COMMUNITY IMPACT TEAMS **ECL TRAININGS** TOP EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP LUNCHEON **USED EQUIPMENT DRIVE** PROJECT COMMUNITY CONNECT **WEEK OF ACTION HUMAN FOOSBALL** TOURNAMENT & BLOCK PARTY **PARADES WOMEN WITH HEART LUNCHEON CAMPAIGN KICKOFFS EMPLOYEE CAMPAIGNS UNITED CIRCLE GATHERING** STUDENT PLANNING EVENTS **READING FESTIVAL POVERTY SIMULATION EMERGING LEADERS UNITED GOWNS AT THE GALLERY VOLUNTEER CONNECTIONS FIRE & ICE BALL**



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