

THANK YOU...

Because of your support, United Way of Henry County and Martinsville continues to advance the common good by creating opportunities for success for our most vulnerable families. We have brought together caring individuals, organizations, and businesses throughout the area to aid and identify solutions to our region's toughest challenges.

Please visit our website to learn more information about our work: www.UnitedWayofHCM.org.

Generous contributions to the 2024-2025 campaign allow our organization to provide financial support to 38 programs and community impact initiatives for 2025-2026. While some funds are donor-designated, the majority of these programs and initiatives receive their funding through Community Impact Grants. These grants are awarded each year through a rigorous vetting process from a group of 20 to 30 volunteers to ensure your donation has the greatest possible impact in our community.

Despite the challenges that 2024 brought, United Way of Henry County and Martinsville was able to generate over \$450,000 towards our Annual Campaign! Thanks to your contribution, we were able to award funds to the following partner agencies and programs to help address critical community needs in the focus areas of youth opportunity, financial security, health, and basic needs assistance.

In addition to the donor-driven fundraising campaign, we also leveraged grant funding to support our resilient framework to mobilize the area's caring power. Initiatives within this framework are highlighted in green.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY

- **Boys & Girls Clubs of the Blue Ridge** – Bridging learning gaps using Project Learn, complimented with literacy initiatives for preschool club members and K-5th grade students.
- **Boy Scouts** – Providing young people with an opportunity to build self-confidence and leadership skills through scouting's values-based educational program and summer camps.
- **Family YMCA** – Early Learning Center, supporting financial assistance for eligible families to participate in center activities.
- **Friends of Infinity Acres Ranch** – Interactive animal assisted learning organization with an emphasis on providing therapeutic and interactive opportunities to individuals of all abilities.
- **Girl Scouts** – Community outreach, offering scouting program opportunities to girls within the community.
- **MHC Partners for Children** – Various youth program support, such as Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, an initiative where children from birth to age five receive a book in the mail each month.
- **Piedmont Community Services** – Families work to reduce risks and build resiliency so that they can raise healthy children who are ready to learn.
- **Stepping Stones** – Community engagement for the area's intellectually disabled so that they are more involved and part of the community's fabric.
- **Virginia Museum of Natural History Foundation** – Supports the mission and programs of the Virginia Museum of Natural History.
- **Tackfully Teamed Riding Academy** – Provides therapeutic riding to persons of all ages with disabilities.
- **Dolly Parton Imagination Library** – Delivers free monthly books to children from birth to age five.

FINANCIAL SECURITY

- **BankOn** – Promotes access to safe and affordable banking services.
- **Bridges Out of Poverty** – Helps individuals, organizations, and communities address and alleviate poverty by understanding the complexities of poverty and building resources.
- **Community Dream Center** – Stable housing for area men and their families experiencing homelessness and in need of financial stability assistance.

FINANCIAL SECURITY CONT.

- **Dollars and Sense Reality Fair** – Event support, United Way of Henry County and Martinsville’s annual event that exposes local high school seniors to the costs associated with real life.
- **“Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin’-By” Workshop Series** - Guides participants through goal-based planning for long-term stability.
- **Edwards Adult Day Center** – Program support for adult services during the day, including financial assistance for eligible families.
- **Eviction Reduction Pilot** - Offers financial counseling and emergency services to prevent eviction.
- **MARC Workshop** - Provides individuals with disabilities a place within the community to learn, gain experience in a real-world situation and develop to their maximum potential through employment and work adjustment training.
- **VA Capacity Building Project** - Expands access to social services through AmeriCorps VISTA.
- **Virginia Legal Aid Society** – Crisis and income protection offering critical legal services to area residents at a time they need it most and when there is nowhere else to turn.
- **Virginia Individual Development Accounts (VIDA)** - Provides financial education and homeownership support.
- **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)** – Program support, offering free income tax preparation assistance to eligible individuals and families.

HEALTH

- **ANCHOR** – Provides comprehensive care and individualized treatment to assist youth and their families in achieving optimal health and well-being.
- **Community Health Workers** - Connect residents to health services and provide public education.
- **Focus on Youth/CASA** - Recruits, screens, trains, supports, and provides community volunteers to advocate for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court proceedings.
- **Hope Center Ministries** - Helps individuals overcome addiction and rebuild their lives.
- **Martinsville-Henry County Assistance Network** – Program support, providing agencies the use of a shared database to connect individuals and families to emergency financial and medical assistance opportunities and to monitor their progress so that no one falls through the cracks.
- **Mountain Valley Hospice** - Program support, creating the best experience for those facing serious illness. Every patient, every family, every time.
- **Southern Area Agency on Aging** - Non-emergency medical transportation trips provided.

BASIC NEEDS ASSISTANCE

- **American Red Cross** – Provides immediate emergency assistance to local victims of disasters.
- **Beegins With You** - Focuses on uplifting and supporting school-age children, particularly those facing financial and mental health challenges.
- **Grace Network** – Crisis intervention, helping eligible individuals and families in times of crisis with a requirement that with receipt of these services they participate in a program designed to change the circumstances that cause their need.
- **Henry County Food Pantry** - Supporting food insecure families by providing food access and community resource connection.
- **MHC Warming Center** - Seasonal facility which provides warm shelter for individuals during harsh winter conditions.
- **Patrick & Henry Community College Foundation** - Food pantry serving students facing food insecurity.
- **Rescue Squads** - Emergency services support, designating funds to support our voluntary fire & rescue squads in Bassett, Fieldale-Collinsville, Horsepasture, and Ridgeway.
- **Salvation Army** - Offers emergency assistance, community meals, food pantry, emotional and spiritual care, emergency local disaster services, and summer camp for children and adolescents that are eligible.
- **Southside Survivor Response Center** - Emergency shelter provided to women and children needing safety from DV/SA situations.