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United Way of Windham County



# UNITED WAY RESPONDS, RECOVERS, REIMAGINES, AND REBUILDS WINDHAM COUNTY

By Carmen Derby, Executive Director, United Way of Windham County

Will the year 2020 be defined by the shared and individual challenges and traumas we have each endured or will it be remembered by the daily examples of strength, solidarity, and perseverance on display across all of Windham County? In a year of racial and social unrest, where inequitable systems have been laid out to bear, United Way of Windham County believes that 2020 will be remembered for what we have learned during these hard times. We believe this year will be defined by how much we rely on each other, with full knowledge that some in our community are more vulnerable than others, and yet that our community is as connected as ever!

At United Way of Windham County, we know how to connect members of our community to keep it moving forward. It is the task of United Way of Windham County, as it has been for over 60 years, to Respond, Recover, Reimagine, and Rebuild a more resilient and equitable future. You as donors, partners, business leaders, and volunteers are vital pieces of this work. You define our priorities. United We Fight for the well being of all individuals in our community.

United Way of Windham County responded to the needs of individuals and businesses by rapidly mobilizing the COVID-19 Response Fund. To date, that fund has distributed \$70,000.00 to 47 unique businesses across all corners of Windham County. Our Recovery efforts are evident in the work being done to engage the community and address the needs coming out of those talks. We will continue addressing those needs by being present where the voices of our communities most vulnerable need to heard and advocated for – this has never been more important!

As we begin the work of Reimagining a more equitable future in Windham County, in the next few months, you will be hearing from us as we reach out to our community for input. We want to know what your priorities are, so that we can make them our priorities. United Way of Windham County is not working towards "normal," because we know that normal was just not working for too many people in Windham County. We are working on Reimag-ining and Rebuilding our community and we hope that you will be part of that conversation and process.

This reimagining and rebuilding will not be easy. Our new systems must withstand future needs. This is a very important time to support United Way of Windham County. The funding is needed to shore up our operations, so when something of this scale happens again, we can respond from a position of strength.

#### Please make your gift today by scanning the QR code below! We are in gratitude, Thank You!



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# **STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

#### Examples of our work - learn more: unitedwaywindham.org or 802.257.4011













#### HEALTH

Prevent Child Abuse Vermont - Nurturing Parenting Program

Youth Services Inc. – Youth House & Assessment, Intervention & Recovery (AIRS)

Youth Services Inc. – Transitional Living Program: Youth House

#### PROSPERITY

- AIDS Project of Southern Vermont -Food Program Groundworks Collaborative – Great
- River Terrace Supportive Housing Case Management
- Groundworks Collaborative –

Housing Support Case Management

Youth Services Inc. – Youth Workforce Development

#### **EDUCATION**

Green Mountain Camp for Girls – Launching Leaders

Winston Prouty – Early Learning Express

#### COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND RECIPIENTS

AIDS Project of Southern Vermont

Bellows Falls Senior Center

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont Bonnyvale

Environmental

**Education Center** Boys & Girls Club of Brattleboro Brattleboro Area Affordable Housing Brattleboro Community Justice Center **Chester-Andover Family** Center **Distinctive Décor** Easterseals VT First Proof Press Food Connects Gallery in the Woods Gathering Place Greater Falls Community Justice Center Groundworks Collaborative **Guilford Cares** Guilford Central School Handknits Inc.

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**Community Action** Springfield Family Center The Void Theatre Adventure. Inc. **Turning Point** Visiting Nurses and Hospice of VT and NH West Bee Nursery School Westgate Housing Westminster Cares Windham & Windsor Housing Trust Winston Prouty Center Women's Freedom Center **WVEW** Youth Services. Inc.

#### CAMPAIGN Partners

- Academy School AIDS Project of Southern Vermont Brattleboro Area Middle School Brattleboro Memorial Hospital
- Brattleboro Retreat
- Brattleboro Savings & Loan
- Brattleboro Union High School
- **C&S Wholesale Grocers**
- Chroma Technology
- Dead River Oil Company
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FOR CREATING OPPORTUNITIES AND INSPIRING HOPE FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

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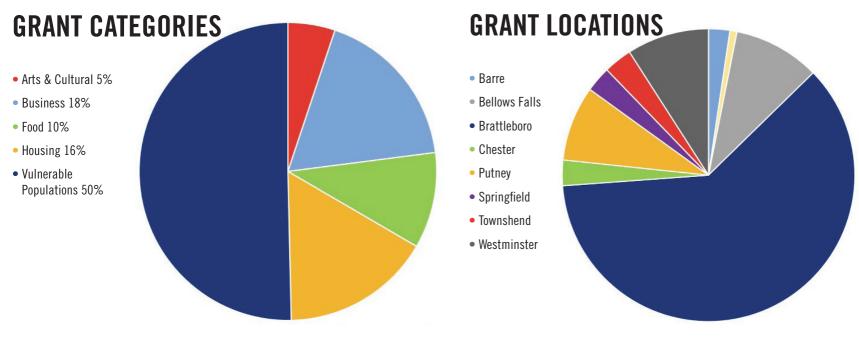
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# **COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND**

When United Way of Windham County sees unmet needs in our communities, we take on a variety of roles to provide critical immediate assistance, and work to support long-term recovery. We could not do this without your help, and as expected, you rose to the challenge with us. These graphs give a brief update of the impact of your donation to our COVID-19 Response Fund.



During these past few months, we have been shown how connected our community is, and just how much we rely on each other. We have seen how much we want all to see our community alive and thriving, and how all of us are willing to do whatever it takes to ensure that happens.

We stand in great gratitude to all our donors and community partners. With the support of our community, in the last 6 months, we were able to provide \$70,000.00 in grants to 47 unique organizations and business in Windham County. The fight to make Windham County a more equitable place to live and work is far from over. There are many people (your friends, family, and neighbors) who are still just making it through. Please join us in this fight by making your contribution today!

## Scan Here to Donate the COVID-19 Response Fund





In May 2019, United Way of Windham County, in partnership with Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, opened the doors to the Windham County Dental Center. Its mission: to provide Windham County residents with compre-

hensive and accessible oral care and education in a supportive, respectful, and compassionate environment, with the goal of improving overall well-being. We believe that by connecting oral care to medical care that our patients will have longer, happier, and healthier lives.

With a mission and a place to call home, the Windham County Dental Center has provided services to over 400 Windham County residents; services such as extractions, cleanings, fillings, and other dental needs. We have made great strides to improve the lives of all our patients, yet there are still gaps in service that need to be filled. By a large margin, one of those gaps is the need for denture assistance. There are currently about 50 patients waiting desperately for this much needed service. Much more than just a medically necessary implement, dentures provide a sense of belonging, esteem, and happiness.

United Way of Windham County asks that you support your neighbors and friends in need by contributing to the Windham County Smiles Fund. The Smiles Fund, since its inception, has helped to subsidize the costs of dentures to over 50 patients in Windham County. Your contribution today will help provide denture subsidies to our patients. Thank you very much.

## Scan Here to Donate to Windham County Smiles





**Kids in Coats** this year provided support and assistance to Windham County families to purchase everything they need for the winter season.

Kids in Coats served **154 families** and a total of **339 children**, with 845 unique vouchers from towns throughout Windham County. The fund paid out **\$20,958.18** to our partner vendors such as Sam's Outdoor Outfitters, Busy Bees, Whippersnappers, and Northeast Mountain Footwear. Our goal every year is to exceed the amount of families served from the previous year. This year, we hope to serve 200 families in Windham County.

Please consider a contribution to the Kids in Coats fund to help us reach our goal.

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# **GET INVOLVED!**

# **Donate:**

**Online at unitedwaywindham.org:** You can make an online donation at our website (www.unitedwaywindham.org)

**Mail a check to UWWC:** Alternatively, you can mail a check to United Way of Windham County, PO Box 617, Brattleboro VT 05302

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# Start a Workplace Campaign:

**Workplace Campaign** The central component of United Way fundraising is the workplace campaign. It gathers hundreds of employees' gifts of all sizes through payroll deduction. Our United Way then supports Windham County through programs that have a community impact.

To run a workplace campaign, please contact info@unitedwaywindham.org or 802-257-4011



Join the 365 Business Circle: Every day of the year United Way of Windham County unites people, organizations and businesses to create positive sustainable change. Our local businesses are also present, 365 days a year, providing services and products. To honor that daily presence, members of the business circle make a contribution of \$1 a day = \$365 a year.

# **Volunteer:**





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