



REALLY LOOK AT WHAT'S NEXT TO YOU

Next door, is someone who's fallen on hard times, but is too embarrassed to reach out for help. Next in line, is a person struggling to make sense of things after getting laid off. The next person walking by is having to choose – between a coat or a meal.

United Way of Greater Waterbury focuses on education, financial stability and basic needs – the building blocks of a better life for all in our community.

Your decision to give – something that only takes a moment – can be the catalyst for improving someone's life.

Next to you, is change – which won't happen without you.

So the next time you say "I didn't give because I wasn't asked" – you've been asked.

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CHANGE WON'T HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU

Next to you, is a single parent struggling to make ends meet.

Amy, a 27-year old single mother of a preschool child, sought counseling to manage her depression and the stress caused by financial concerns. Her life felt out of control and her severe anxiety was affecting her ability to work – as well as her ability to parent.

She knew it was time to start taking control of her life.

Amy began attending weekly counseling sessions, and medication management for depression and anxiety. With the help of her counselor, Amy identified family support and was able to get some financial relief for a few months. By the time Amy finished treatment, she had graduated from school and received her LPN (Licensed Practical Nurse) certification.

And her daughter? She's now thriving in a healthy, stable home.

Amy benefited from participating in several United Way funded programs, such as child care and counseling services. She is achieving personal goals, gaining control of her life and becoming a role model for her child. Amy works full time and no longer needs cash assistance or food stamps. Recently, Amy donated clothes her daughter grew out of to "give back" to our community for helping her in a time of great need.

Amy's story is one example of how United Way brings together the caring power of the community. Our partners include dozens of local non-profit agencies and community collaboratives, working together to address immediate needs and long-term community goals.

But our most important partner is you. With your support, United Way will continue to lead the way to a better tomorrow for the communities in which we live and work.

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TO YOU**

IS A NEIGHBOR TO HELP.
IS SOMEONE TO INSPIRE.
IS A CHANCE TO DO YOUR PART.





The Building Blocks for a Good Quality of Life

EDUCATION

WE ARE INVESTED IN OUR FUTURE BY INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH TO SUCCEED.

- By expanding access to quality early learning educational experiences for young children, we are ensuring more children are entering school ready to learn.
- By increasing out-of-school time opportunities for youth, we are helping local youth reach their potential and build the foundation for success.

FINANCIAL STABILITY

WE ARE HELPING FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS INCREASE THEIR FINANCIAL STABILITY THROUGH TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

- By linking unemployed and underemployed youth and adults with career training and educational opportunities, we are helping local residents obtain the necessary skills that will help provide them with financial stability.

BASIC NEEDS

WE ARE BUILDING THE FOUNDATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY BY HELPING PEOPLE BECOME MORE SELF-SUFFICIENT IN MEETING THEIR BASIC NEEDS.

- By working to ensure all residents have access to healthcare, housing and food, we are improving the quality of life of our neighbors and creating opportunities for a better tomorrow.

UNITED FOR THE COMMON GOOD

UNITED WAY OF GREATER WATERBURY IS ADVANCING THE COMMON GOOD BY FOCUSING ON THE BUILDING BLOCKS FOR A GOOD LIFE – A QUALITY EDUCATION THAT LEADS TO A STABLE JOB, ENOUGH INCOME TO SUPPORT A FAMILY, AND ENSURING BASIC NEEDS ARE MET.

STAY CONNECTED

Get community news, information alerts, campaign updates and special invitations:

- Like us on Facebook
- Follow us on Twitter
- Watch us on YouTube



GIVE

Our annual campaign is what opens the door to the real work we do – programs and initiatives that create change. Help us advance our work by making a contribution either through your workplace campaign, by mail, or online at unitedwaygw.org.

ADVOCATE

You can make change happen with your voice. Get informed. Tell your friends. Write a letter to the editor. Inspire others to get involved, too. Use your influence to help provide the building blocks for a good life. And always wear your **LIVE UNITED** t-shirt to show the world that you are taking action!

VOLUNTEER

Discover the rewards of volunteering. United Way provides one-time and ongoing volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups. Sign up for our e-newsletter at unitedwaygw.org, or call our office at (203) 757-9855, for local volunteer opportunities.

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