

UNITED WAY OF GREATER WATERBURY'S 2023/2024 COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS

“United Way is working to advance 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 through retirement, and ensuring our most basic needs are met.”



EDUCATION

Increasing opportunities for children and youth to succeed.

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Children birth-5 have expanded access to quality early educational experiences.

PROGRAMS

Catholic Charities - Infant Toddler Care
Cheshire YMCA – Child Care
Reach Out & Read - Read Together – Early Literacy

INITIATIVES

Waterbury Bridge To Success Community Partnership

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT & POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Children and youth 5-18 have opportunities to experience success and achieve their potential.

PROGRAMS

Boys & Girls Club – After School Program
Cheshire YMCA – School Age Care
Children's Community School – Personalized Education
Girls Inc. – GirlStart
Girl Scouts – Leadership Experience
Nutmeg Big Brothers/Sisters– Mentoring
Safe Haven – Community Education
Waterbury YMCA – Camp, Hoops & Homework, School Age Care
Waterbury Youth Services – Linking Academics to Life

INITIATIVES

Waterbury Bridge To Success Community Partnership
Campership Program
Mindfulness - Department of Education



BASIC NEEDS

Helping people become more self-sufficient in meeting their basic needs.

HEALTH CARE

Access to appropriate, affordable physical, dental & behavioral healthcare, including prevention & intervention services.

PROGRAMS

American Red Cross – Disaster Relief
Catholic Charities – Behavioral Health
CT Counseling Centers – Methadone Maintenance
CT Legal Services – Legal Aid
Mental Health Connecticut – Independence Center
Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury – Domestic Violence Shelter, Non-Shelter Services
StayWell Health Center – Dental, Women's Health
Waterbury Youth Services – Youth and Family Emergency Services
Wellmore - Child Clinical, Mobile Crisis Intervention Services, Therapeutic Shelter, Women and Children's Program

INITIATIVES

Greater Waterbury Health Partnership

HOUSING

Access to safe and affordable housing - temporary and permanent.

PROGRAMS

American Red Cross – Disaster Services
CT Legal Services – Legal Aid
Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury - Domestic Violence Shelter
The Salvation Army – Family Shelter

INITIATIVES

Coordinated Access Network (Housing/Homeless Services)
EFSP- Emergency Food & Shelter Program

FOOD

Access to affordable, nutritious food.

PROGRAMS

American Red Cross – Disaster Services
Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries - Soup Kitchen
The Salvation Army – Comprehensive Emergency Assistance

INITIATIVES

Food Resource Committee
Stock the Pantry
Holiday Assistance
Healthy Foods
EFSP- Emergency Food & Shelter Program



FINANCIAL STABILITY

Increasing financial stability through employment opportunities.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION FOR UNDER-EMPLOYED & UNEMPLOYED YOUTH & ADULTS

Expanded entry level employment opportunities that may lead to self-sufficiency.

PROGRAMS

Waterbury Youth Services –
Support for Self- Determination

TRAINING AND EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCED WORKERS

Expanded training and employment opportunities.

PROGRAMS

Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board –
Home Works Program

INCOME SUPPORTS FOR WORKING HOUSE-HOLDS THAT FOSTER ECONOMIC SECURITY

Access to programs and practices that increase household income including financial literacy.

INITIATIVES

CT Association for Human Services –
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)
CT United Ways – Trust Plus Financial Coaching
Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC) -
Financial Opportunity Center at NVCC
Community Partners in Action – Greater Waterbury Reentry Welcome Center



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