# UNITED WE FIGHT. UNITED WE WIN. LIVE UNITED

United Way fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in every community. We win by living United—by forging unlikely partnerships, finding new solutions to old problems, mobilizing resources, and by inspiring individuals to join the fight against their community's most daunting social issues.

When you give to your local United Way, you can experience the satisfaction of seeing your donation turn into programs and services that create impact on people's lives.

When the needle moves on important social issues in our community, you will know that YOU helped to make a difference and feel proud of their community's collective accomplishments.

And, because we thoroughly vet our nonprofit partners annually, you and your employees can be sure contributions are supporting the most effective nonprofit organizations in the area.

When we Live United, we take on challenges and tackle problems.

We aren't just fundraisers, we are hand-raisers.

Ready to raise your hand?

Let's do this!



United



#### AROUND THE WORLD

Trained more than 900 teachers and improved learning conditions for 12,500 children in Brazil.

Constructed 296 disaster-resistant classrooms in the wake of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines.



ACROSS THE COUNTY

Assisted over 5,000 veterans in Fort Lauderdale, Florida to re-acclimate to civilian life.

Helped connect 26,000 young people with jobs working with San Francisco's Youth Jobs+



Worked with 4 local schools to provide free school supplies to 700 students in need.

In 2019, invested over \$18,000 in allocations to local non-profits and over \$20,000 in the Imagination Library program.

### DID YOU KNOW? 99% of contributions to the Morrison County United Way stay in the local community.

## REASONS TO SUPPORT UNITED WAY

#### Because the NEED IS ENORMOUS.

11% of the local population is living in poverty, with nearly half of local students receive free or reduced lunch. 14% of high school students don't graduate on time.

#### Because your dollars LEVERAGE MORE DOLLARS.

United Way funding is often considered a "Seal of Approval" because of our thorough review. This helps create additional funding for effective programs.

#### Because NO ONE PROGRAM CAN DO IT ALONE.

It takes a variety of agencies to keep communities strong. With a deep relationship network, United Way provides the leadership and resources to get things done.

#### Because it will ADDRESS THE GREATEST NEEDS.

From affordable housing and education to health care and economic self-sufficiency, United Way works to address the greatest challenges facing each community.

#### Because your gift will CHANGE PEOPLES LIVES.

United Way donations have made it possible for people to have the basic needs in life, children to succeed in school, and families to have financial stability.

#### Because RESOURCES ARE SCARCE.

Government funding for health and human services has been declining dramatically, forcing agencies to eliminate critical programs or close their doors altogether.

#### Because your gift will DELIVER RESULTS.

United Way partner organizations must demonstrate measurable and lasting results. For example, it's not about how many people receive meals at a soup kitchen, it's about how many no longer need to.

#### Because we DO MORE THAN FUND PROGRAMS.

Beyond supporting local nonprofits, we fund our own programs. For example, United Way of Morrison County's "Tools for School" provides children critical school supplies that their family cannot afford.

#### Because you can IMPACT THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

United Way researches needs in the community and funds aligned programs. 99% of donations stay in the local community.

#### Because WE ALL BENEFIT.

From programs that help our neighbors in the face of unexpected crisis to those that help working families remain self-sufficient. We have a wealth of community support services that improve the quality of life in our region.

...and many, many more.

### **IMPACTING THE COMMUNITY** IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

#### **Z11**

Because of United Way, local residents can get confidential, free information on a wide variety of topics at 1.800.543.7709.

#### **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MORRISON COUNTY**

Because of United Way, the local club is able to provide National Boys & Girls Club programs to youth ages 6-18.

CENTRAL MN FOSTER GRANDPARENTS Because of United Way, over 15,000 hours were volunteered with 1,083 local children.

#### **DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY**

Because of United Way, an average of over 850 local children ages 0-5 receive a free book each month.

#### EMPLOYMENT ENTERPRISES, INC. Because of United Way, EEI is able to empower individuals to achieve personal success.

#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF MORRISON COUNTY Because of United Way, the lives of local homeowners and volunteers are changed forever.

HANDS OF HOPE Because of United Way, local schools and communities have access to the Violence Prevention Program at no cost.

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF MORRISON COUNTY Because of United Way, students in Morrison County learn about financial literacy, college and career readiness, and entrepreneurship.

KINSHIP OF MORRISON COUNTY Because of United Way, Kinship was able to make and support matches for local youth.

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES – SENIOR NUTRITION Because of United Way, over 700 older local adults received nutritious meals.

MORRISON COUNTY CHAPLAINCY Because of United Way, the Chaplaincy is able to reach local residents when crisis occurs.

MORRISON COUNTY CHILD PROTECTION TEAM Because of United Way, local families have access to education and resources.

DASIS OF CENTRAL MN Because of United Way, Dasis is able to provide basic necessities for local families and individuals.

TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS Because of United Way, area students have access to critical school supplies their families can't afford.

QUESTIONS? Contact 320-632-5102 or mcuw68@gmail.com