



United Way
of St. Clair County

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Our Mission

To mobilize the community of St. Clair County to raise funds and/or resources to meet identified human service needs with the highest level of accountability and community involvement.

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Monday - Friday | 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Vision Statement

United Way of St. Clair County will be a leader to help the community identify and address human care problems.

It will accomplish this by:

- Identifying critical and emerging human service needs through qualified assessments.
- Generating financial resources in a manner which is responsive to both donor and community needs.
- Managing and allocating resources for maximum efficiency and accountability.
- Responding appropriately to existing needs with an emphasis on preventive measures whenever possible.
- Promoting volunteerism and leadership development to support the human services network.



United Way
of St. Clair County

2022-23
Annual
Report





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**Letter from the
President & Executive Director**

This year started off with an economic downturn that has continued, but our volunteers and staff increased the amount of presentations and face-to-face meetings, resulting in new donors. These new connections will intertwine with the organization's history and maintain impact as time moves forward.

As a volunteer-driven organization, our supporters committed their time and expertise by assuring accountability and transparency.

Thank U Citizens Review Committee for overseeing 20 organizations and vetting programs United Way funds through a rigorous application process, insuring that our donor dollars are spent addressing community needs.

Thank U Finance Committee for financial stability and review.

Thank U Campaign Cabinet who connected with local municipalities to declare December 2022 as United Way month. Volunteers also coordinated with the local Landlord Association, Business Associations, Chamber of Commerces, Rotary Clubs, and other non-profit service clubs. Our Campaign Cabinet also gathered several times over the year to share creative ideas for raising funds for their community.

Thank U office volunteers for assuring information and referral was available for the public and maintaining the Medical Loan Closet for those who need durable or disposable items, as well as providing Direct Services to address emergency needs.

Thank U to the county-wide partnerships and collaborations to secure and facilitate programs, such as our County of St. Clair's 211 ARPA award, St. Clair County RESA to facilitate Child Care Scholarships and Consumers Energy for assistance for emergency needs. Throughout the year, we also led coordination efforts for the opening of the men's temporary warming shelter.

As my term of Board President comes to an end, I want to thank my United Way peers for allowing me to lead this organization over the past two years. I am proud of the work of our volunteers and staff. Now more than ever, the need is there for practical programming and emergency services for our neighbors in St. Clair County.

Thank you to our friends for your support.

United Way begins with U.N.I.

Thelma Castillo
Board President

Brent Gillette
Executive Director



**Executive Director
Brent Gillette**

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Campaign Co-Leaders
Jennifer Posey & Sharon Wilton

Campaign Co-Leader Report

The 2022 Campaign did not have to navigate the obstacles that were part of the pandemic, thankfully. Face-to-face presentations were held in many of our contributing businesses and corporations, as well as many fundraisers. Our dedicated volunteers were successful in getting people together to focus on the United Way Campaign.

The positive result of this year's Campaign was through the hard work of our cabinet volunteers and staff. This energetic group of 40 volunteers expertly navigated the County, engaged our businesses and

community leaders, and created a sense of excitement around this year's campaign. They brought attention to United Way at events such as the Fireman's Ball in Marine City, Rotary meetings throughout the County, and bowling fundraisers, just to name a few.

We are very proud to lead the Campaign and are thankful to our volunteers that have such a deep and passionate concern for our community. Thank you to all contributors for making it possible to help our neighbors in St. Clair County.

2022 Campaign Cabinet Chairpersons

Riley Alley
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Citizen's Review Committee Chair Report

The Citizens Review Committee (CRC) annually reviews proposals submitted by local affiliated organizations to reduce the need for emergency services, teach youth life skills, improve quality of life through health and advocacy, and help adults through education and training. The members of the CRC engage in serious and thoughtful discussions when reviewing applications for funding. The CRC recommended that a total of 18 programs offered by 14 affiliated organizations be supported. While the need for direct support due to the pandemic has diminished, the community continues to be impacted by its aftermath. Health, shelter, and emergency services continue to be funding priorities. UWSCC, in collaboration with other community organizations, played an integral part in providing financial support to the temporary men's warming shelter that opened in January 2023. Other services UWSCC continues to support Michigan Vocational and Rehabilitation to facilitate employment, and the UW Emergency Fund for unique emergency requests. Amongst the affiliate and community service organizations, 35 programs received support.

The CRC regularly reviews reports submitted by the organizations to assure that they have met local needs and that their program performance indicators have been fulfilled. When possible, organizations have attended CRC meetings to better acquaint CRC members with the services they provide. The increased social, health and economic needs throughout St. Clair County emphasized the struggle many face on a daily basis.



CRC Chair
Cindy Rourke

Leadership Organizations & Foundations (Campaigns over \$15,000)



Individual Leadership Contributors



Captains (\$5,000+)

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Volunteers Represented from the Following Businesses

Thank you to the following companies for supporting your employees to volunteer:

AFL-CIO, CLC	Comprehensive Youth Services	Grace Memorial Huntington Bank	SEMCO ENERGY Gas Company
Allstate Insurance	County of St. Clair	JM Visuals	State of Michigan
The Arc of St. Clair County	Council on Aging, Inc., serving St. Clair County	Kitchen Tune-Up	St. Clair County Community College
Beacon Wealth Group	Country Style Market Place	Lake Huron Medical Center	St. Clair County CMH
Biewer Lumber	Dept. of Health & Human Services	Liberty Title	St. Clair County RESA
Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce	Domtar Industries, Inc.	McBride - Manley & Company, P.C.	State Farm Insurance
Blue Water Children's Health Care	DTE Energy	McLaren Port Huron	Top Shelf HR
Blue Water Development Housing	Eastern Michigan Bank	Meijer	United Parcel Service
Boddy Construction	Fletcher, Fealko, Shoudy & Francis	Michigan Mutual, Inc.	Utility Workers of America
Building Trades	Fifth Third Bank	MSU Extension Office	Vinculum Care
Cargill, Inc.	Fort Gratiot Charter Twp.	The Plan Firm	Wallace Law Firm
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Steve Warsinske



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- Douglas Dolph
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Affiliated Organizations

- The Arc of St. Clair County
- Blue Water Community Action
- Blue Water Safe Horizons
- Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan
- Community First Health Centers
- Community Enterprises of St. Clair County
- Council on Aging, Inc., serving St. Clair County
- Detroit Rescue Mission (Pathway Shelter)
- Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan
- Goodwill Industries of St. Clair County
- The Harbor

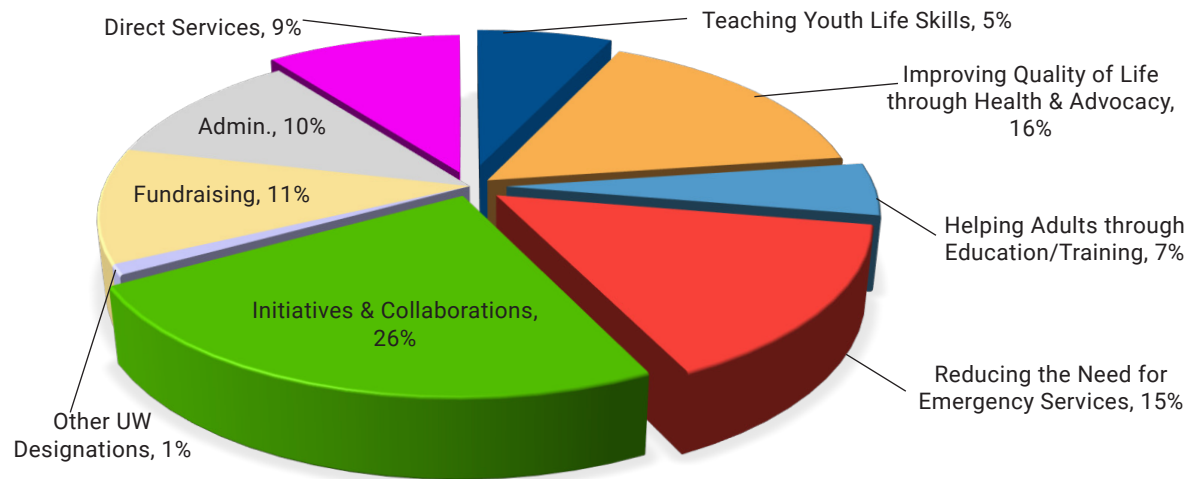
- Helping Hands Ministry (B-WARM)
- I.M.P.A.C.T.
- Michigan Crossroads Council,
Boy Scouts of America
- Michigan League for Public Policy
- People's Clinic for Better Health
- Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home
- SONS (Save Our Neighborhoods & Streets)
- Touchstone Services, Inc. (Blue Water Clubhouse)
- Visiting Nurse Association / Blue Water Hospice

Financial Report

April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023

United Way of St. Clair County Financial Analysis

2022/23 Revenue of \$1,007,748 Inclusive of Campaign, Interest & Miscellaneous Contributions



Please note: The funds reported in this document are pre-audit.

An additional \$45,000 in Dental Services provided by My Community Dental Center

Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP)

United Way of St. Clair County is the Local Board Administrator for Federally Funded EFSP

Phase 40 (Federal) Funding \$69,799

Emergency Food: \$43,103 (61.75%) + Shelter Services: \$25,300 (36.25%) + Admin: \$1,396 (2%)

Organizations Receiving EFSP Funding:

- Blue Water Community Food Depot
- Blue Water Safe Horizons
- The C3 Connection, Inc.
- Detroit Rescue Mission (Pathway Shelter)
- Downriver Bread of Life Nutrition Center
- Downriver Helping Hands, Inc.
- The Harbor
- Harbor Impact Ministries
- Mid City Nutrition
- The Salvation Army
- SOS Marysville Food Pantry
- St. John's United Church of Christ
- Trinity United Methodist Food Pantry

Program Impact & Direct Services

Teaching Youth Life Skills: Street Outreach Program • At-Risk Boy/Girl Scouting Programs • Recreation Outreach • Financial Support for Disadvantaged Youth • Talented TENTH • Inclusive Youth Social Recreation

Improving Quality of Life through Health & Advocacy: Mental Health Counseling • Pharmacy Assistance • Advocacy Services • Special Care Services • Hospice Care • Quality Leadership/Training

Helping Adults through Education/Training: Employment Skills Training • Vocational Evaluation & Job Placement

Reducing the Need for Emergency Services: Carolyn's Place • Wings Emergency Program • Pathway Shelter • Youth Day & Educational Program • Shelter Support Staff • Senior Housing Program • Men's Warming Center

Community Initiatives & Collaborations: 2-1-1 • Community Dental Center • CSCB • Imagination Library • Prescription Discount Program • Recovery & Outreach • Transportation for Visually Impaired • Vocational Rehabilitation

UWSCC Direct Services: Medical Loan Closet • Emergency Need/Ramp Assistance • Cancer Assistance • Children with Disabilities Services • Dental Assistance

