

OUR PURPOSE

Providing our neighbors with opportunities to thrive through our **LIVE**, **WORK**, & **LEARN** initiatives



Live - Improving Lives

Through our programs and partnerships we are helping neighbors meet their basic needs such as safe housing, adequate food, and healthcare. Together, we are providing an opportunity for people to move from uncertainty to stability which includes a steady job, a place to call their own, and a better tomorrow.



Work - Improving Jobs

At United Way, we work with individuals to create a pathway to financial stability. Our programs equip people with the tools and services needed to thrive in the workplace. With your help, neighbors in our community can reach financial independence and secure a successful future for themselves and their families.



Learn - Improving Futures

Youth thrive when they receive exceptional levels of attention and support. We work with families and community partners to encourage and foster growth and development in children. Together, we are creating opportunities for kids to succeed and have a brighter future.

OUR PROGRAMS

FAMILIES FIRST



United Way has launched a new program, Families First, to address the growing number of homeless children in the Greater Grand Forks region. Our Families First program connects families with community services and long-term housing solutions while providing ongoing support to each family. Together, we are providing children and families a safe place to call home.

KIDZ CLOSET



Every kid deserves an opportunity for education without the challenge of finding clothes, school supplies, or other items they need to succeed. Our Kidz Closet provides essential everyday items to children in need. United Way accepts in-kind donations of new or gently used clothing, school supplies, and hygiene products. These products are then distributed to children in need right here in our community.

EAST GRAND FORKS BACKPACK PROGRAM



United Way's East Grand Forks Backpack Program fights to end childhood hunger by providing food in students' backpacks to feed them for the weekend. A donation can help provide up to six meals for kids who need a bit more help and hope when they're away from school. Together, we are ensuring no child goes hungry.

WHEELS FOR WORK



Many neighbors in our community lack safe and reliable ways to get to school or work. For others, an unexpected car repair can be a financial catastrophe. The Wheels for Work program is fueling opportunities to thrive for individuals and families by helping neighbors travel safely.

WINTER WISHLIST



Each year we provide gifts to over 600 children living in the Greater Grand Forks Community through our Winter Wishlist program. United Way collects and distributes new toys and winter apparel for children of all ages. Warming the hearts and hands of kids in our community!

ONE FUND

Our community has faced many challenges during the COVID-19 crisis. In Response, United Way launched the One Fund. Because of generous donors like you, we raised \$150,000. United Way was able to rapidly deploy resources, services, and dollars to where our neighbors needed it most. Together, we helped individuals and families stay healthy and safe in their homes.

PROGRAM PARTNERS

CAR SEATS FOR KIDS



United Way has partnered with Safe Kids Grand Forks to ensure all children are kept safe when traveling in a vehicle. Car Seats for Kids is a collaboration that works together to provide families in need with car seats. Together, we are minimizing the risk of injury to children in our community.

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

United Way was founded as a collaboration of neighbors. Today, one of the ways we carry out this mission is through our Community Investment Program. We provide much needed dollars to special programs that improve the lives of kids, families, and individuals through our Live, Work & Learn initiatives. Together, we are working towards strengthening the Greater Grand Forks area for all of our neighbors!

BE A NEIGHBORHOOD HERO



Be Kind - Give Joy

Ways to create a #BeKind Culture

- 1. Give someone the benefit of the doubt.
- 2. Share a positive thought.
- 3. Call a friend or family member.

Be Generous - Give a Gift



United Way is a great way for you to give back to the community through a range of efforts that are helping kids, families, and vulnerable adults in our community. Together, we are improving the lives, jobs, and futures for thousands of our neighbors.

Ways to Give

- Payroll Deduction Pledge through the workplace campaign and designate a specific dollar amount to be deducted from each pay check.
- Direct Gift Give a one time gift directly to your workplace campaign or mail your donation to: 1407 24th Ave S. Suite 400 • Grand Forks, ND 58201
- 3. Give Online Give anytime by visiting givegfegf.org/give





Ways to Volunteer

- 1. Gather a team to participate in a United Way coordinated 1-day volunteer service projects throughout the community.
- Don't have a full day to give? Gather a group to participate in a speed-volunteering opportunity that can be completed during a lunch break.
- 3. Sign up to help at a United Way sponsored event.

For more information about how to get involved with United Way visit: **givegfegf.org**



"Over the past 20 years, I have seen neighborhood heroes step up to fight hunger, homelessness, and poverty in all its forms. I have seen neighborhood heroes band together to rebuild our community, improve our schools, and help neighbors in need. Today, I see a community that is committed to values that help our neighbors have an opportunity to thrive. Every week we can see our friends, coworkers and kids choose to **Be Kind, Be Generous,** and **Be There.**"