A Note From UWECI Staff

We've all witnessed amazing things that can be accomplished when people come together as partners working toward a cause. As a supporter of United Way, you are a part of nearly 64,000 stories; stories of individuals and families who are moving from challenging situations to stable, and in many cases, thriving lives.

At this time of year, United Way of East Central Iowa rallies the public and brings everyone together to impact our community and make it a better place for all. This accomplishment is not possible without your generosity. Thousands of donors and volunteers giving back to make our communities better is a tradition that is needed today more than ever.

Listed to the right are UWECI’s funded nonprofit partners that work together to achieve amazing results for our community. Without your support, this collective impact in our five-county service area would not be possible.

Our tradition of coming together to meet our community's needs must continue to grow. The work you, UWECI, and our partner agencies are doing, is vital to our community.

Join us and please consider accepting this year’s challenge by increasing your gift to UWECI by 10%. And thank you for fighting for East Central Iowans.

With gratitude,

Amy Geiger
Vice President, Resource Development

Our Funded Community Partners
- Aging Services, Inc.
- Area Substance Abuse Council (ASAC)
- Benton County Volunteer Program
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cedar Rapids and East Central Iowa, Inc.
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Cedar Rapids
- Catherine McAuley Center
- Community Health Free Clinic
- Eastern Iowa Health Center (EIHC)
- Foundation 2
- Goodwill Industries of The Heartland
- Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP)
- Horizons: A Family Service Alliance
- Iowa Legal Aid
- Jane Boyd Community House
- Kids First Law Center
- Kids on Course
- Rural Employment Alternatives, Inc.
- The Arc of East Central Iowa
- UnityPoint Health – St. Luke’s Dental Health Center
- Waypoint Services for Women, Children and Families
- Willis Dady Emergency Shelter, Inc.
- YouthPort
- YPN
- 211

Learn about our funded community partners

Our partners cover a lot of ground in East Central Iowa, providing a variety of resources and services to those who need it most. From education to financial stability to access to healthcare, they work together to bring lasting change to our community. Learn more about the impact they have on East Central Iowa in our Breaking the Cycle of Poverty blog series at UWECI.ORG/SERIES.
Women United

Women United has been busy this summer with both of their annual events! The luncheon took place in late May and was an opportunity for our community to learn more about the mission, successes of the past year, and Women United’s nonprofit partners. In August, Power of the Purse featured more than 60 purses, a three-day cabin stay in Galena, and a select wine and whiskey wagon which all brought in more than $12,000 for local women in need.

To learn more about Women United and how they’re helping local women, head to UWECI.ORG/WOMENUNITED.

Local Leaders to Champion Our Community

For just over a decade, technology and access to information have changed the way people communicate and make decisions. Philanthropic communities across the globe have felt the shift and done their best to adjust to these rapid changes, United Way of East Central Iowa included. These changes require us to do things a little differently, and this year, we are excited to have a Campaign Cabinet of 20 local leaders who will help us in leading the fight for our community. Learn more at UWECI.ORG/LOCAL-LEADERS.

• Jasmine Almoayed, City of Cedar Rapids
• Sarika Bhatka, Nikeya Diversity Consulting
• Lydia Brown, Skogman Realty
• Noreen Bush, Cedar Rapids Community School District
• Ron Corbett, Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance
• Rod Dooley, Cedar Rapids Community School District
• Hugh Ekberg, CRST International, Inc.
• Curt Heideman, US Bank
• Dennis Jordan, Mortenson
• James Klein, Cedar Rapids Bank & Trust
• Barb Klein, Collins Aerospace
• Kelly Lind-Daufeldt, US Bank
• Joe Lock, Eastern Iowa Health Center
• Shawn Lueth, Shive-Hattery, Inc.
• Kelley Marchbanks, Advancement Resources
• Rick Moyle, Hawkeye Labor Council AFL-CIO
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• Gary Streit, Shuttleworth & Ingersoll PLC
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