BASIC NEEDS
Ensuring people in crisis get food, shelter and assistance.

DONNA’S STORY
Donna faced enormous challenges when she decided to raise her late sister’s children in addition to her own. A single mom who had just launched her own catering business, she had unlimited determination and love, but limited resources. With support from several United Way nonprofit partners, Donna could focus on providing care and consistency for her family. Today her business is growing, and her children have the stability they need to succeed in school and life.

YOUR UNITED WAY GIFTS ACHIEVE RESULTS:

- 485,236 Nights of shelter provided to homeless or displaced people
- 88% of at-risk mothers served delivered healthy babies
- 1,958,701 Meals served by food pantries and hunger-fighting organizations

UNITED WE FIGHT. UNITED WE WIN.
TOGETHER, WE CAN FIGHT POVERTY

Despite low unemployment rates and a booming economy, too many families and neighborhoods are struggling in central Ohio:

32.2% of Franklin County residents have experienced food insecurity

1 in 3 central Ohioans lacks the income to meet basic needs without assistance

UNITED WAY BASIC NEEDS PARTNERS

Affordable Housing Alliance of Central Ohio
American Red Cross of Greater Columbus
Catholic Social Services
Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio
CHOICES for Victims of Domestic Violence
Clintonville-Beechwold CRC
Columbus Urban League
Community Development for All People
Community Kitchen
Community Shelter Board
Furniture Bank of Central Ohio
Gladden Community House
HandsOn Central Ohio
Huckleberry House
I AM (OhioHealth)
Legal Aid Society of Columbus
LifeCare Alliance
Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio
Mental Health America of Franklin County
Mid-Ohio Foodbank
Moms2B (OSU Foundation)
NNEMAP
Prevent Family Homelessness Collaborative
The Salvation Army
SEA Change Social Enterprise Accelerator
Serving Our Neighbors Ministries
Stable Families
Star House

POLICY/ADVOCACY

United Way of Central Ohio fights to:
• Protect, strengthen and increase access to the Child Nutrition Programs and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
• Protect Medicaid from program changes that would harm coverage for children, seniors and people with disabilities
• Support the reauthorization of the Children’s Health Insurance Program with full funding over the next four years

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer United, United Way’s new online tool, connects volunteers in central Ohio to meaningful projects posted by our nonprofit partners. Sign up to find opportunities with United Way’s basic needs partners at volunteerunitedcbus.org.

JOIN THE FIGHT

Your gift to the Community Impact Fund supports a network of more than 80 nonprofit partners that help people meet basic needs, achieve student success, get good jobs and build strong neighborhoods.

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