

# GOOD JOBS \$

Teaching people the skills they need to get and keep a job.



United Way  
of Central Ohio



## APRIL'S STORY

April is a survivor. She battled and overcame poverty, addiction and human trafficking. After years on the streets and time in jail, she went through recovery and enrolled in college. She wanted to “be a member of society, not a menace to society.” But April was honest about her past and no employers wanted to give her a chance—until she found Freedom a la Cart, a United Way nonprofit partner. Now employed at Freedom, she helps other survivors, offering opportunity and hope as they build new lives.

## YOUR UNITED WAY GIFTS ACHIEVE RESULTS:



**55%** OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED  
gained employment—a higher  
placement rate than the  
national average



**4,344 PEOPLE**  
received job skills training

**\$17.8 MILLION**

in refunds returned to our  
community through free  
tax preparation services

**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:

In Franklin County, more than 30% of workers are not earning enough to meet basic needs.

Only 3 of the 10 most common jobs in Ohio pay enough for workers to afford a modest two-bedroom apartment.

## UNITED WAY GOOD JOBS PARTNERS

Alvis	Faith Mission	Homes on the Hill Community Development Corporation
Center for Employment Opportunities	Financial Capability Network of Central Ohio	Jewish Family Services
Columbus Works	Freedom à la Cart	Per Scholas
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Economic and Community Development Institute	Goodwill Columbus	Westerville Area Resource Ministry
Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services	Homeport	

## POLICY/ADVOCACY

United Way of Central Ohio fights for:

- Expansion of the Earned Income Tax Credit for workers not raising children at home and those 21 and older (lowering eligibility age from 25)
- A Child Tax Credit that ensures the lowest income workers and families with young children can access a robust credit
- Permanent authorization of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance grant program and increased investments in this public-private partnership

## 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](http://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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