

# CHANGE DOESN'T HAPPEN ALONE

LIVE UNITED°



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# A message to OUR COMMUNITY

By all measures, we have had a fantastic year. Thanks to the outstanding support we received from donors like you, we invested more than \$2.1 million in Martin County so that everyone can have access to the basics: a quality education, good health, and financial stability.

The first-year results of our strategic plan confirm that we are making significant strides on improving the needs in many areas where we are investing. The results have also brought to light other community issues that we will monitor and incorporate into our funding strategy.

We have encouraged an ongoing dialogue about community needs by hosting quarterly "community conversations." The meetings have spawned several ideas and initiatives to improve the quality of life for our most vulnerable residents, including one in which United Way is taking a leadership role – the Tools for Success school supply program.

We also play a pivotal role in convening community partners when disaster strikes. This past year, we sprang into action before, during, and after Hurricane Dorian working alongside the Martin County Emergency Operations Center. Thankfully, we were relatively unscathed here in Martin County, but we will continue to refine our processes to ensure we will be ready to respond if and when we are needed.

And finally, through our unique brand of collaboration, we're continuing our tradition of making the holidays bright for thousands of children by providing gifts and a holiday meal through the United Way Holiday Project.

We are very proud of all that we have accomplished, and we couldn't have done it without the support of generous donors like you! Change doesn't happen alone. It occurs when an entire community works together with purpose and compassion.

Thank you for your support this year and for continuing to LIVE UNITED! Warm regards,

Carol S. Donwaat Din

Carol G. Houwaart-Diez President/CEO United Way of Martin County



Gene Zweben
Board Chair
United Way of Martin County



## YOUR UNITED WAY

at a glance













## **FINANCIALS**

## United Way of Martin County

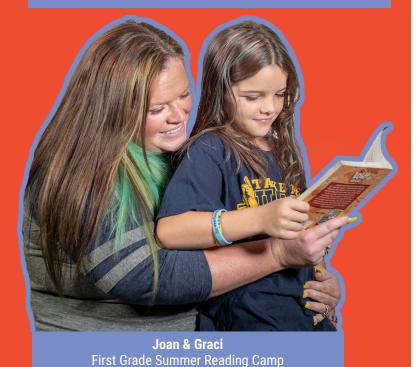
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES for year ended June 30, 2019	
Public Support, grants, and other revenue	. 2,931,195
Less: Amounts raised on behalf of others (designated gifts)	. (683,240)
Less: Provision for uncollectible pledges	.(110,000)
Total support and revenues	. 2,137,955
Program service expenses	. 1,694,958
Supporting services	. 425,467
Total expenses	. 2,120,425
Change in Net Assets	.17,530
Net assets - June 30, 2019	.740,241

United Way of Martin County values its fiduciary responsibility to donors, funders, and the community and strives to operate as efficiently as possible. More than 85 cents of every dollar raised is invested in local programs and services.

Audited financial statements and IRS Form 990 are available for review online: UnitedWayMartin.org

## Shining a spotlight on

# EDUCATION



Research shows that third-grade literacy rates are a predictor of future academic success because before third grade, children are learning to read; after third grade, students are reading to learn. But in Martin County, only 56 percent of students are reading proficiently by that point.

Martin County School District

Without a strong foundation in reading, children like Graci are left behind at the beginning of their education.

Joan noticed that her daughter, Graci, was struggling to acquire literacy skills as early as kindergarten. Although she achieved some gains in first grade, Joan knew Graci still wasn't where she needed to be and was worried if the lag persisted, she would fall even farther behind.

Graci's teacher recommended the First Grade Summer Reading Camp through the Martin County School District, a United Way funded program. At first, Joan was concerned that Graci wouldn't be happy going to school over the summer. But, to her surprise, it turned out to be quite the opposite. Not only did the camp foster a love for reading, but it also helped Graci improve her literacy skills, avoid the summer slide, and start the next school year reading on grade level.

By investing in education today for local students, we're ensuring children like Graci and thousands of others are on track to succeed. That's what it means to LIVE UNITED.

## **OUR GOALS**

Increase the number of children who:

- Start school ready to succeed
- Read on grade level by third grade
- Have acquired the skills for academic and social/emotional development
- Graduate from high school on time with a post-secondary plan or are prepared for work



## **OUR PARTNERS**

### **ARC of Martin County**

Youth After School Camp

### **Big Brothers Big Sisters**

BISS Mentoring

### **Boys & Girls Clubs of Martin County**

K-8 Academic Success

#### **Dunbar**

Butterflies VPK Program

### **Gertrude Walden Child Care**

VPK

VPK Summer Slide

### **Helping People Succeed**

Baby Steps

#### **Hibiscus Children's Center**

Shelter Literacy Program

### **Hobe Sound Early Learning Center**

Increase School Readiness

### **Hope Center for Autism**

Opening Doors for Autism

### **Hope Rural School**

Parent Outreach

### **Martin County School District**

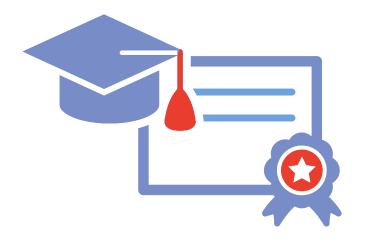
First Grade Reading Camp Getting Ready for Kindergarten

### **United Way of Martin County**

Tools for Success RSVP CHARACTER COUNTS!

#### VMCA

Redirection & Positive Behavior



## **OUR RESULTS**

6,004

local children

accessed United Way funded enrichment programs in preschool, school or out of school

### ...they achieved

90% attendance



and...

80% improved their grades

Your investment helps set thousands of local students on the path to success.

# FINANCIAL STABILITY



**Jessica & Madison**Women in Transition Program
Mary's Home

Jessica was in a dark place. She suffered a relapse while battling addiction. At the same time, she discovered she was pregnant and checked herself in for treatment. After completing treatment, Jessica needed to create an after-care plan.

The outlook was bleak: Jessica had no job, no car, and no way to care for herself or her unborn child. With nowhere to turn, Jessica found the Women in Transition program at Mary's Home, a United Way funded program. Through the program, Jessica learned critical life skills, including parenting techniques and tips to manage her personal finances.

Today, Jessica is celebrating two years of sobriety. She has a job, a home, and her own car. She is providing for her daughter, Madison, entirely by herself. She attributes her success to the support she received from the Women In Transition program.

By investing in programs like Women in Transition, we're helping people like Jessica get back on their feet so that they can take care of themselves for the long term. That's what it means to LIVE UNITED.

## **OUR GOALS**

Increase the number of individuals and families who:

- Have access to food, shelter, education and other income/work supports
- Move closer to financial independence
- Have access to jobs/job training and health and education initiatives that improve employability and retention



Your investment provides people with the tools they need to better manage their money, get on solid financial ground and find a career with potential for advancement.

## **OUR PARTNERS**

### 211 of the Treasure Coast

Crisis & Community Hotline

### **ARC of Martin County**

ABLE Program

### **Caring Children Clothing Children**

Clothing Program

### **Children's Home Society**

Children in Need of Services

### **Council on Aging**

Meals on Wheels

### **Helping People Succeed**

Community Living

### **House of Hope**

Golden Gate Project Hope

### **Legal Aid Society**

Legal Assistance

#### **Life Builders**

Building Lives, Protecting Community

### Mary's Home

Pregnancy Shelter Women in Transition

### Molly's House

Hospitality House

### **Project Lift**

Pre-Apprenticeship Certification Transportation & Employment

### **SafeSpace**

Domestic Violence Shelter

### **Salvation Army**

Basic Needs Compassion House

### **Treasure Coast Food Bank**

Back Pack & School Pantry Whole Child Connection

### **United Way of Martin County**

Volunteer United VITA

## **OUR RESULTS**

Last year, United Way of Martin County's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program and MyFreeTaxes helped

343

### individuals

and families

receive a total of \$345,574 in tax refunds



\$136,562

### on prescription costs

as a result of the successful partnership with FamilyWize Community Service Partnership



5,504

### individuals

accessed local resources through the 211 helpline





# HEALTH



Veronica & Andrea Specialized Day Care Alzheimer's Community Care

Andrea started to notice that her 85-year-old mother, Veronica, was isolating herself from the world around her. Veronica was not motivated to get up in the morning and would sleep all day – it seemed like she lost her spark.

Concerned that her mother was suffering from depression, Andrea took her to a neurologist where she was diagnosed with dementia. In addition to medication for memory loss, the neurologist suggested enrolling Veronica in the Specialized Day Care program at Alzheimer's Community Care, a United Way funded program.

Andrea said she's noticed an astounding difference in her mother, and it has been an enormous relief to see her became her old self again. Thanks to the program at Alzheimer's Community Care, Andrea has peace of mind that her mother is well cared for, and Veronica has something to look forward to every day. She participates in the program's many activities, is surrounded by people who are there to care for her, and experiences pure joy from it.

By investing in programs like the Specialized Day Care program, we're helping Veronica and thousands of other Martin County residents find their spark again.

## **OUR GOALS**

Increase the number of youth and adults who:

- Have access to necessary
   healthcare services including
   preventative, maternal, pediatric,
   mental, dental, pharmaceutical and
   vision provided in a coordinated
   way to produce the best results
- Lead active and healthy lifestyles to prevent disease and obesity
- Have a positive outlook and engage in supportive relationships





## **OUR PARTNERS**

### **Alzheimer's Community Care**

Family Nurse Consultant Specialized Day Care

### **Catholic Charities**

Children & Family Counseling

### **Children's Emergency Resources**

Emergency Health Care

### **Council on Aging**

Adult Day Health Program

#### D.A.T.A.

Youth Substance Abuse

### **Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services of the Treasure Coast**

Dangerous Decibels

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Florida**

Medical Services & Case Management

### **House of Hope**

Food Pantry

### **Light of the World Charities**

Little Lights Dentistry

### **Martin County Healthy Start**

Client Services Service Delivery

### **Martin County School District**

Headstart

### **Project Lift**

Substance Abuse

### Tykes & Teens

Social Communicative Competence YES Program

### **OUR RESULTS**

429,210

nutritious meals

were provided to students, seniors and neighbors in need



31,314

**families** 

learned healthy habits through schools, child care centers, and health care clinics





"The United Way has helped my family so much. I can't even imagine living in a community without their support."

- Saiidia, local mother of two

## TOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY



The Alexis de Tocqueville Society is United Way's most prestigious giving society and is recognized throughout the world. Members of the Tocqueville Society make an annual investment of \$10,000 or more in support of United Way's mission to improve people's lives.

With nearly 80 members, the Tocqueville Society contributed \$1,222,000 in the last fiscal year to lead the fight for health, education, and financial stability of every person in Martin County. Also, several members of the Tocqueville Society served as volunteers on the Citizen Review Panels to help assess which local community programs would receive United Way funding.

The Tocqueville Society Reception was held at Sailfish Point Country Club to acknowledge the collective philanthropic impact of these passionate donors. Mike and Linda Evans were awarded the Alexis de Tocqueville Outstanding Philanthropy Award at the reception, which was generously underwritten by Wilmington Trust.

















#### Who was Alexis de Tocqueville?

Only 26 years old when he traveled extensively throughout the United States in 1831, Alexis de Tocqueville's observations, readings, and discussions formed the basis of Democracy in America, a study of America society and politics.

One of his most important observations was that Americans hold in common a unique willingness to work for the public welfare – a tendency to lend faithful support to neighbors and countrymen, especially in times of need.



**United Way of Martin County** 

### **FOUNDATION UPDATE**

# \$7 MILLION

As of June 30, 2019, United Way of Martin County Foundation had net assets totaling \$4,983,051 and additional legacy gift intentions of \$2,085,000.

**The United Way of Martin County Foundation** is an independent public charity uniquely positioned to accept legacy gifts and build an endowment fund to meet the current and future unmet needs of Martin County.

### **Foundation Board of Directors**

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## **WAYS TO GIVE**

Charitable Bequest
Retirement Plan
Charitable Gift Annuity
Charitable Remainder Trust
Charitable Lead Trust
IRA Charitable Rollover
Retained Life Estate
Life Insurance

If you have already included United Way of Martin County Foundation in your will or estate plan, please notify us to be recognized as a member of the esteemed Legacy Society.

### Why a Foundation?

Many donors give generously to United Way of Martin County's annual campaign as a way to combat the daunting challenges our community is facing today. By leaving a legacy gift to the United Way Foundation, donors can continue to support our community in the future.

The gift principal will be held in perpetuity with our Foundation as an endowment. Earnings from these endowment gifts will continue to grow and be used to support the community's future needs through the Foundation as a supporting organization of the United Way of Martin County.

Funds entrusted to the Foundation are managed by a team of independent investment professionals with oversight from the Foundation's Investment Committee, which is comprised of investment experts.

### Frances Langford Humanitarian Award

United Way of Martin County Foundation honored Margaret and Joe Temple with the 2019 Frances Langford Humanitarian Award. The award recognizes community leaders who, like Frances, demonstrate the care and compassion for humanity in their lives and their actions. Mr. and Mrs. Temple were honored for their ongoing philanthropic endeavors directly benefiting United Way as well as other area nonprofit organizations.

The Temples have been members of the United Way Tocqueville Society for over a decade. "Receiving the Francis Langford Humanitarian Award in 2019 was great – but quite a bit less, by comparison, to the joy we feel for what we hope our giving did for those less fortunate and in need." – Joe Temple

The reception was generously underwritten by reception sponsors Bob & Jan Crandall and Bill & Audrey Crandall as well as by Presenting Sponsors: Saelzer/Atlas Wealth Management Group of Raymond James, US Trust, Bank of America Private Wealth Management and John & Linda Loewenberg.





**United Way of Martin County** 

We once again released a ranking of the Top 10 most generous workplaces and communities whose employees and residents gave philanthropic contributions to United Way of Martin County during the previous fiscal year.

Publix Super Markets, a notable employer in Martin County and a company well known for charitable giving, combined with the generosity of its associates, contributed nearly \$560,000, solidifying its spot as the No. 1 Most Generous Workplace.

While many United Ways rely heavily on workplace campaigns, the local gated communities in Martin County comprise more than half of the philanthropic giving to our annual campaign. The residents of Sailfish Point were once again honored with the title of Most Generous Community for contributing over \$410,000.

# TOP 10 MOST GENEROUS WORKPLACES

- 1 Publix Super Markets
- 2 Florida Power & Light Company
- 3 Seacoast Bank
- 4 Raymond James
- 5 Cleveland Clinic Martin Health
- 6 Pratt & Whitney
- 7 UPS
- 8 Boys & Girls Clubs of Martin County
- 9 Wells Fargo
- 10 Martin County School District

# TOP 10 MOST GENEROUS COMMUNITIES

- 1 Sailfish Point
- 2 Harbour Ridge
- 3 Willoughby
- 4 Loblolly
- 5 Piper's Landing
- 6 Mariner Sands
- 7 Sandhill Cove
- 8 Jupiter Island
- 9 Sewall's Point
- **10** Jupiter Hills

### \*United Way of Martin County is a Top 10 Most Generous Workplace but is excluded from the listing

### **MOST GENEROUS WORKPLACE**



### **PUBLIX SUPER MARKETS**



#1

MOST GENEROUS WORKPLACE

2019

### **MOST GENEROUS COMMUNITY**



### **SAILFISH POINT**





MOST GENEROUS
COMMUNITY



# THE YEAR in photos

## **COMMUNITY LEADERS' BREAKFAST**

August 24, 2018

We kicked off our 2018-2019 campaign with an energized crowd of 200 attendees at our Community Leaders' Breakfast held at Piper's Landing Yacht and Country Club.

The event was sponsored by Florida Power & Light Company and featured keynote speaker Ergetu Merete with Wells Fargo.









More than 200 volunteers participated in our Day of Caring and Sept. 11 Remembrance Ceremony held at the Martin County Fairgrounds.

The remembrance service, which involved local police and fire officials, coincided with more than 20 corporate teams of volunteers packaging hygiene kits, emergency food supplies, and food boxes for senior Martin County residents in need.









### UNITED WAY HOLIDAY PROJECT December 2018

For more than 30 years, United Way of Martin County has helped bring Christmas to thousands of children and their families who are facing hard times by providing toys and a traditional holiday meal through the United Way Holiday Project. United Way distributed more than 15,000 toys, including 400 bikes to nearly 2,800 children and provided over 1,000 turkeys and staples for a holiday meal.









## JOE KORDICK YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS

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Family and friends of 23 outstanding students packed into the Wolf-High Technology Center at Indian River State College's Chastain Campus for the annual Joe Kordick Youth Character Awards presented by United Way of Martin County's CHARACTER COUNTS! Program.





### **LEADERS UNITED**

Created in 2016, Leaders United is an affinity group of the United Way of Martin County. Comprised of passionate professionals who GIVE, ADVOCATE, and VOLUNTEER to further the mission of United Way, this group continues to make an impact in the local community. This year, Leaders United participated in 16 volunteer and professional development opportunities.

"Over the past three years, I have participated in great opportunities to serve the community through Leaders United. Some of my favorites included painting at the Boys & Girls Clubs, sorting food for Stamp out Hunger, and serving meals at Salvation Army. I believe in serving others and Leaders United provides me with the way to do that."

– Natalie Desmangles, Leaders United member

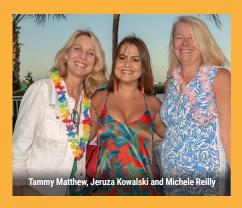


## TIKIS ON THE TERRACE

The Aloha Spirit was in the air at the Mansion at Tuckahoe as guests swayed to island tunes, enjoyed traditional Polynesian entertainment, DJ, dancing, and tropical-inspired food and drink, plus raffle prizes and a silent auction.

Proceeds benefited United Way funded hunger relief programs to help Martin County's most vulnerable populations in the schools, at local food pantries, and homebound seniors.









## GRANT AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

June 20, 2015

A crowd of agency partners and supporters gathered as we announced our investment of \$2.1 million in the Martin County community.

At this event, we presented community impact grants for 56 local programs and initiatives during a grant award announcement.











## **OUR VISION**

United Way of Martin County envisions a community where all individuals and families achieve their potential through education, financial stability and healthy lives.

Bravely, we dream of a day when no one in Martin County goes to bed hungry. We dream of strong, successful families. We dream of a UNITED community where everyone is healthy and has the opportunity to succeed, reaching their fullest potential in a safe and secure place.

### **OUR MISSION**

To improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of our community.

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