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Our Mission

To engage and empower our community to collectively impact lives



A Message from Our Board Chair

Seeing the community step up in 2023 has been heartwarming to say the least. While it was a year filled with impact, it did not come without its struggles as well. The households living in poverty and ALICE threshold have increased, we've seen rising costs in basic needs, and shortages in quality childcare and affordable housing. Rather than accept defeat, the community has rallied together to support our neighbors and work to find long term sustainable solutions.

United Way of Bay County has also completed a new strategic plan, ensuring a solid plan to move forward into 2024 and beyond. I invite all of you to join us and see the impact we can make together when we LIVE UNITED!

(junna Scharf) Corinna Scharf, UWBC Board Chair

Our Vision

A thriving community where every person has access to equitable opportunities that lead to an enhanced quality of life

Strategic Focus

SUSTAINABLE & DIVERSIFIED FUNDING

Focused on donor development, diversification of funding & expanding outreach efforts through both a long term fund development plan & annual marketing and communications plan

EFFICIENT & EFFECTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE

Addressing safety, improving the efficiency of internal work processes, elevating employee retention & wellbeing as well as enhancing board development

INNOVATIVE & IMPACTFUL PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Expanding community outreach and education, identifying new initiatives to improve the lives of our ALICE population and strengthening the capacity of our non-profit partners

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23 FUNDED PARTNER PROGRAMS

Bav Area Women's Center Bay County Habitat for Humanity Big Brothers Big Sisters Bovs & Girls Club of the GLBR CAN Council **Catholic Family Services** Do-All, Inc. Dow Bay Area Family YMCA **Golden Horizons** Hidden Harvest LEAD (formerly Self Love Beauty) Literacy Council of Bay County **New Dimensions** Sacred Heart Rehab Center (Self- Sufficiency & Rehab Center) Studio 23/The Arts Center The Legacy Center for Success Youth Samaritan Shelter 211 NE Michigan

4 DIRECT SERVICE PROGRAMS

Helen Wirt Lee Back to School Program Huntington Warm Soles VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program Direct Financial Assistance

UNITED WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

OUR COLLECTIVE IMPACT



41,954

Individuals were provided with **basic needs** through UW programs

7,1777 people participated in preventative health programming or services







of children showed progress towards achieving developmental milestones

3,387

people were provided with access to mental health, or substance use disorder programs



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HEALTH • EDUCATION • INCOME STABILITY



1,164

Students received new clothing, backpacks, and supplies for the new school year



12,394 Diapers were distributed to

455

babies served through our Bay Arenac Diaper Bank pantry at United Way





5399 * * * Pairs of winter boots were provided to elementary school students



GGG Bay County Residents received free tax preparations

\$1,030,000











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Who is ALICE?

We all know people who are ALICE: Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed - earning more than the Federal Poverty Level, but not enough to afford the basic needs where they live.



United Way of Bay County is committed to providing programs that support ALICE families and individuals

Household Survival Budget, Bay County, 2022		
	SINGLE ADULT	2 ADULTS, 1 INFANT, 1 preschooler
Monthly Costs and Credits		
Housing - Rent	\$359	\$476
Housing – Utilities	\$163	\$310
Child Care	-	\$1,163
Food	\$419	\$1,142
Transportation	\$462	\$1,113
Health Care	\$174	\$601
Technology	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$166	\$492
Tax Payments	\$296	\$1,010
Tax Credits	\$0	-\$433
Monthly Total	\$2,125	\$5,990
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$25,500	\$71,880
Hourly Wage*	\$12.75	\$35.94

*Wage working full-time required to support this budget

For ALICE Survival Budget sources, visit UnitedForALICE.org/Methodology

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9% of Bay County Households are ALICE

72%

of Single - Female -Headed households with children fall below the ALICE threshold

> According to the 2023 ALICE Report, The Household Survival Budget reflects the minimum cost to live and work in the current economy and includes housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, technology, and taxes. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college or retirement.

> In 2022, household costs in every county in Michigan were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$13,590 for a single adult and \$27,750 for a family of four.

> To see costs for different household compositions in Bay County, visit UnitedForAlice.org/Household-Budgets/Michigan.



Financial Hardship is Not Evenly Distributed



Household Financial Status by Household Type

By addressing the disparities in financial hardship by county demographics, community members can move toward more equitable solutions.

Visit UnitedForALICE.org/Michigan to view more data.

Groups with the largest number of households below the ALICE Threshold tend to also be the largest demographic groups. However, when looking at the percentage of each group that is below the ALICE Threshold, some groups are more likely to be ALICE than others.



Households by Race/ Ethnicity

Committed to Serving Every Community

Diversity, Equity and **Inclusion** are at the core of the United Way of Bay County's work. Our mission to bring our community together to impact lives includes making intentional decisions that provide fair treatment, access and opportunity for all. We seek to eliminate barriers and to engage residents and community members whose voices have traditionally been marginalized due to national origin, language, race, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, age, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, veteran status or family structure. We work with public and private partners to co-create solutions that ensure everyone has the resources, support, opportunities and networks they need to thrive. We commit to leveraging our assets to create a more equitable community, which is fully expressed in our organizational culture, values, norms and behaviors and those of our partners.





Volunteers gave back 7,558 hours

- MLK Day of Service
- Ramp Builds
- 9/11 Day of Service
- Warm Soles
- Day of Caring
- Global Youth Service Day
- Food Distributions
- Go MAD Lunches
- Back 2 School Program
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program
 (VITA)
- Spark Hope for the Holidays
- MI Sugar Distribution

Engaging with Future Leaders in Bay County





Relay for Change @ Western High School





A total value of

\$240,344

Student United Way Chapter @ Pinconning High School

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION For the year ended december 31, 2023

ASSETS

	Current Assets Investments Accounts Receivable Pledges Receivable	944,548 635,572 733 145,352
	Prepaid Expenses Investments Property & Equipment Other Assets Total Assets	9,565 1,305,354 180,034 19,196 \$3,240,354 LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS
	Current Liabilities Postretirement benefit obligation Net assets Total liabilities & net assets	391,512 27,100 2,821,742 \$3,240,354
Y	Compaign	REVENUE
	Campaign Fundraising & Sponsorships Investment gains / (losses) Grants Community Service Program Other Revenue Total Revenue & Support	662,605 70,486 243,082 433,149 83,291 62,259 \$1,554,872
		EXPENSES
ند	Management & General Fundraising	174,444 64.507

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Total Investment into Community	\$988,226
Volunteer Resources	22,284
Community Services	290,654
Community Investment & Planning	511,602
Community Education & Communications	163,688

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2023: A Year of Impactful Events



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Golf-A-Day For United Way

Back to School







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