

2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2021 — JUNE 30, 2022

LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

United Way of DeKalb County could not do what we do without our volunteers and donors. 2021 truly showed how DeKalb County came together to continue to live out our motto to “Live United”. When I was hired in April 2020, I had one goal in mind, and that was to do everything in our abilities to take care of the needs of our community. Even though we continued to work through the COVID-19 pandemic, our impact remained the same. United Way of DeKalb County continued to make an impact as we fought together for the health, education and financial stability for everybody in DeKalb County. Change doesn’t happen alone, so I invite you to join the fight and continue to LIVE UNITED! Tyler Cleverly — Executive Director

DAY OF CARING



Day of Caring 2022 was held on Friday, June 24th. The day started with our annual kickoff breakfast that had 475 people in attendance. It was great to be able to hold the kickoff breakfast, after the 2021 event was nearly canceled due

to rain. Over 600 volunteers signed up to participate in Day of Caring 2022. The volunteers completed 52 projects. The impact this day has on our county goes much further than the number might seem like. Having volunteers take time out of their day to serve their neighbors in need is an amazing thing to witness. We are looking forward to next year’s Day of Caring on June 23, 2023!

EDUCATION, HEALTH, INCOME, BASIC NEEDS

Each year the United Way of DeKalb County supports agencies so that children are prepared for success in school, families may achieve and sustain financial stability, individuals can access quality healthcare, and all have enough food, shelter, and clothing as they strive for a better life. \$359,110 in grants were awarded to agencies during 2021-2022, which included:

Butler Youth Evangelical Association
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana
Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend
Children First Center
Garrett High School
Hoosiers Feeding the Hungry
Inspiration Ministries—Grace House
J. Kruse Education Center
Judith A. Morrill Recreation Center
Junior Achievement serving DeKalb County
Northeastern Indiana CASA
Serenity House, Inc.
St. Martin’s Healthcare, Inc.
TLC Preschool
Warm a Heart
YMCA of DeKalb County, Inc.
YWCA Northeast Indiana, Inc.



SHIFTING TO IMPACT FUNDING

In July 2020, the United Way of DeKalb County Board of Directors decided to shift the Community Impact Grants to focus on the ALICE population (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed). The shift came after a year long series of Community Conversations in 2019. The Board of Directors and Staff met with the community and asked them what they needed. During these conversations, community members were able to express concerns, share successes, and have open discussions on how to create more community impact. The shift will allow greater impact, while addressing the greatest immediate needs, while also looking for long term solutions to the issues that the community will face in the future to make a lasting impact!

POWER OF THE PURSE

Due to the pandemic, the Power of the Purse event was originally scheduled for September 2021, but was postponed until April 22, 2022. The event was held at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum. Proceeds from this annual philanthropic event supports our Community Impact grants for Women and Children. Over 300 guest were in attendance and Over 50 purses were raffled off. It was great to have everybody back in person again after 2021 was canceled. The 2023 event is scheduled for April 19, 2023.



COVID-19 GRANTS



From October 2021 through February 2022, United Way of DeKalb County awarded \$125,438 to various organizations serving DeKalb County through our COVID-19 Grants. Twenty-four applications were submitted, and eighteen were approved for various needs based on the pandemic, due to the continued needs in DeKalb County. From April 2020 through May 2021, we awarded over \$278,500 in thirty-seven COVID-19 Grants to local non-profits to help with emergency needs. One of the first tasks that Tyler faced when hired, was to form a COVID-19 Task Force of countywide leaders and other non-profits who would be responsible for all of the emergency granting until the funds were granted out. United Way of DeKalb County quickly put a plan in place to get funds back out into our community to make sure we are taking care of the community during the pandemic. The Task Force will continue to monitor the situation moving forward to see if another wave of funding is needed. We are all in this together!

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2021-2022 OPERATING BUDGET

Revenue

Contributions and Grants	\$600,771
Program Service	\$13,865
Investment Income	\$1,540
Capital gain/loss	(\$64,818)
Other Revenue	\$46,298
Total Revenue	\$597,656

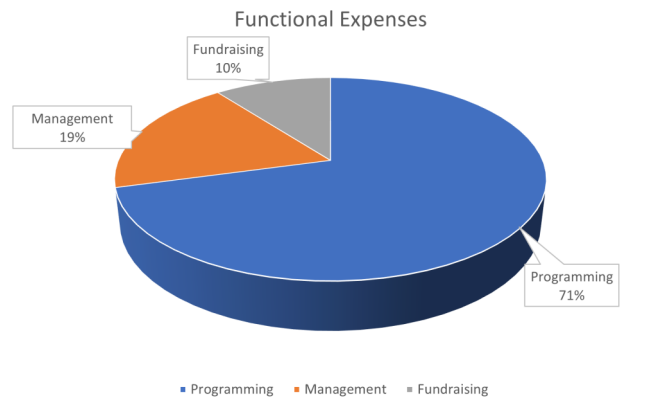
Expenses

Total Program Services	\$583,246
Management and General	\$155,226
Fundraising	\$85,962
Total Expenses	\$824,434

Total Assets	\$1,558,170
Total Liabilities	(\$226,778)
Net Assets	\$1,331,392

2021-2022 FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

Programming	\$583,246
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