

# 2019-2020 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2019—JUNE 30, 2020

## LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

Thank you DeKalb County! United Way of DeKalb County could not do what we do without our volunteers and donors. 2020 truly showed how DeKalb County came together to live out our motto to “Live United”. When I was hired as the Executive Director in April, I had one goal in mind, and that was to do everything in our abilities to take care of the needs of our community during the COVID-19 pandemic. Even though our events had to shift, the 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 — United Way of DeKalb County Executive Director

## DAY OF CARING



Day of Caring 2020 was postponed from the originally scheduled date of June 26th. Without knowing the best way to serve our community with our annual community service day, it was determined to postpone the event until

the fall and allow the volunteer groups to pick the date that worked best for their group and complete the projects between August and November. “Cancelling Day of Caring was not an option, so after postponing the original date, we had to pivot and find a way to help our community while remaining safe at the same time” said United Way Executive Director Tyler Cleverly.

## EDUCATION, HEALTH, INCOME, BASIC NEEDS

Each year the United Way of DeKalb County supports partner 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. \$403,100 in grants were awarded to our partner agencies, which included:

Alliance Industries  
Anthony Wayne Area Council, Boy Scouts of America  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana  
Butler Early Education Center  
Butler Youth Evangelical Association  
Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana  
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend  
Children First Center  
DeKalb County Council on Aging: DART Transportation Program  
Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana  
GKB Head Start/Early Head Start  
Judith A. Morrill Recreation Center  
Northeast Indiana CASA  
RISE, Inc.  
Serenity House, Inc.  
St. Martin’s Healthcare, Inc.  
YMCA of DeKalb County, Inc.  
YWCA Northeast Indiana, Inc.

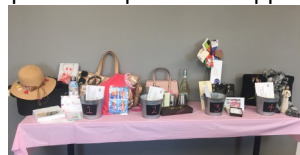


## COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

Beginning in June 2019, we started our Community Conversations with United Way partner agencies. During those initial conversations, we had the opportunity to share how Community Conversations would not only help shape the future of United Way, but also strengthen partnerships and communication within DeKalb County. These conversations were geared towards reaching out to the public to better understand the community’s goals and aspirations. During these conversations, community members were able to express concerns, share successes, and have open discussions on how to create more community impact. United Way of DeKalb County Board, Staff, and Volunteers would like to thank all who attended and participated in these community conversations.

## POWER OF THE PURSE

The 2020 Power of the Purse Sip & See Tea Party was originally scheduled for April 17th at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum, but was postponed due to COVID. The event is now being planned to be held virtually on September 10th. Proceeds from this annual philanthropic event supports our Community Impact grants. Over



250 guest typically attend this annual event in person, but we are excited to see how the virtual event goes this year. Plans are already taking place for having an in person event in 2021.

## COMMUNITY IMPACT AND COVID-19 EMERGENCY GRANTS



In 2019-2020, the United Way of DeKalb County awarded over \$79,000 to various organizations serving DeKalb County citizens through our Community Impact Grants. Seventeen applications were approved for various community impact needs between July 2019 and May 2020. As soon as the pandemic hit, we shifted focus with our remaining Community Impact funds and started doing COVID-19 Emergency Grants. Between April and June, we awarded over \$30,000 in ten COVID-19 Emergency Grants to local non-profits to help with emergency needs. On June 8th, United Way of DeKalb County was awarded with a COVID-19 Economic Relief Initiative grant of \$250,000 for additional emergency relief in DeKalb County. A Task Force of county wide leaders and other non-profits were formed to review emergency granting starting in July. 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.

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## 2019-2020 OPERATING BUDGET

### Revenue

Contributions and Grants	\$951,870
Program Service	\$23,950
Investment Income	\$4,346
Capital gain/loss	\$-4,075
Other Revenue	\$11,475
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$987,566</b>

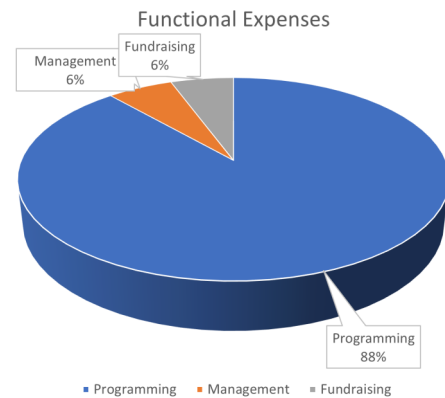
### Expenses

Total Program Services	\$619,180
Management and General	\$99,195
Fundraising	\$65,056
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$783,431</b>

<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$1,663,139</b>
Total Liabilities	\$53,134
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$1,610,005</b>

## 2019-2020 FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

<b>Programming</b>	<b>\$619,180</b>
<b>Management</b>	<b>\$99,195</b>
<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>\$65,056</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$783,431</b>



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