



**100 YEARS
OF IMPACT**

UNITED IS THE WAY

2025-2026



MISSION

United Way of the Greater Capital Region drives the power of community to give, advocate, and serve so every individual can thrive.

VISION

A thriving Capital Region where United Way is recognized as an innovative leader in solving our greatest challenges in health, youth opportunity, community resiliency, and financial security.

A LETTER FROM LEADERSHIP

To Our United Way Community,

Turning 100 was a tremendous milestone for our organization and a testament to the strength and spirit of the Capital Region. As we reflect on the impact accomplished together in 2026, we are inspired by the support for our neighbors, the commitment of our partners, and our shared belief that by working together we can make a far greater impact.

Over the past year, we have seen firsthand the extraordinary dedication of this United Way team and the remarkable generosity of our community. No matter the challenge, big or small, our staff, volunteers, donors, and partners have come together to ensure our neighbors across the region have the support and resources they need to thrive. Whether responding to immediate needs or investing in long-term solutions, this collective commitment has made a measurable difference in the lives of thousands of local families. **Through your support, United Way has narrowed the affordability gap for more than 46,000 households in the region.**

This year demonstrated the power of your commitment. When a federal crisis affected many hardworking individuals and their ability to buy groceries and pay for transportation, United Way mobilized quickly to provide support and connect neighbors with critical resources in real time. Throughout the year, we remained focused on creating pathways to opportunity at every stage of life, from helping children build strong foundations through early literacy programs to supporting families as they work toward greater financial stability.

Together, we delivered more books into the hands of children than ever before and helped thousands of families strengthen their financial security. When our community faces challenges, we rise to meet them together. While the year ahead will undoubtedly bring unexpected hurdles as families navigate rising costs and economic uncertainty, we hope we can count on you and the resolve of this incredible community to innovate and provide compassionate solutions.

The numbers and statistics in this report are reflective of the lives impacted and improved through United Way's mission. The progress highlighted is only made possible because of you. To our donors, volunteers, advocates, and community partners, thank you for the trust you place in United Way. Your support enables us to respond in moments of crisis, invest in lasting solutions, and create more opportunities.



Peter Gannon
President & CEO
United Way of the Greater Capital Region



Melissa Bennett
Board Chair (2025-2027)
Barclay Damon



Focused Investment: Building a Bigger We



RPI Kit Building



Price Chopper Gift Card Handout



United Way Annual Meeting



Jubilant Birth Families



518 Day



SUNY MLK Day of Service



Power Pitch



Drive to Make a Difference

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WHO WE SERVE: ALICE

The ALICE data highlights the growing gap between wages and the true cost of survival.

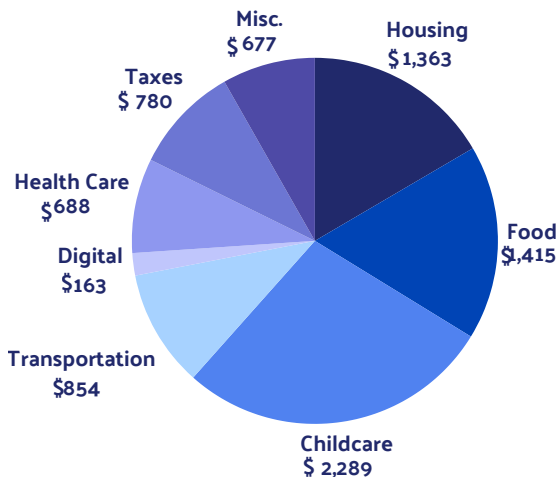
36% OF HOUSEHOLDS IN THE CAPITAL REGION ARE ALICE

ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) households consist of employed individuals who earn below the threshold to afford basic expenses in the county where they reside. ALICE households play a vital role in our community. Workers in ALICE households hold jobs that keep our community functioning smoothly. **In the Capital Region, 175,000 working households are ALICE and struggling financially.**

ALICE reflects an economy whose policies and structures leave many workers living paycheck to paycheck. By investing in programs, strengthening partnerships in the nonprofit sector and advocating for transformative policies in education, health and economic well-being, **United Way of the Greater Capital Region has worked to change the trends and impacted 46,936 households facing financial hardship in 2025-2026.**

MONTHLY ALICE BUDGET

Includes Essentials Only for Two Adults and Two Children



MONTHLY INCOME GAP

Capital Region ALICE

\$6,345

Combined Income

\$8,545

Budgeted Expenses

\$99K

IS THE COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME NEEDED FOR A FAMILY OF FOUR WITH TWO CHILDREN

Data Source: United For ALICE 2026. Based on a family of 4 with two kids in childcare. Employment: Full-time cook and teller.



Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

New research shows children enrolled in the Imagination Library are **11x more likely to be interested in books as they grow up.**

Angii De La Cruz knew she wanted reading to be a big part of her daughter's life, even before she gave birth. As soon as Dolly Parton's Imagination Library became available in Albany, she signed up her daughter Nevi, who was three at the time.

Now nearly five years old, Nevi loves reading with her mom and eagerly awaits each new book that arrives in the mail addressed just to her.

For the De La Cruz family, building a home library means Nevi can read her favorite stories as many times as she would like, and learn new words while picking up new ideas each time she reads. **Beyond developing language skills, the books offer something far more priceless and precious: moments of bonding between mother and daughter.** Nevi's favorite Imagination Library books are A Book for Bear by Ellen L Ramsey and Exactly as Planned by Tao Nyeu.

“WE END UP READING IT TWICE THE VERY SAME DAY IT ARRIVES IN THE MAIL. I LOVE WATCHING HER IMAGINATION AND VOCABULARY GROW”

Support from major donors, including \$175,000 in state funding awarded to United Way of the Greater Capital Region, has helped expand Dolly Parton's Imagination Library across the region. The program is available to all children from birth to age five across United Way's nine counties. This investment allows United Way to focus outreach and enrollment efforts in ALICE communities, connecting more children to the benefits of early literacy.



MAJOR SUPPORT PROVIDED BY

Fagan Associates

Fenimore Asset Management

Chet & Karen Opalka

Price Chopper's Golub Foundation

Roberta & William Winsman

IMPACT

as of June 30, 2026

250,000

BOOKS DELIVERED

15,061

CHILDREN ENROLLED

Jubilant Birth

28 PREGNANCIES SUPPORTED

32 HEALTHY BABIES

PARTNERS:

BirthNet, CEK RN Consulting, March of Dimes, SUNY Albany

In fall 2025, new mom Tamara Ogden held her one-month-old baby boy Isaiah closely as she cradled him to sleep. Through Jubilant Birth, she was able to focus on bonding with her newborn without the weight of financial stress. This summer, Isaiah turned one and is a happy and healthy baby.

While five months pregnant, Tamara unexpectedly lost her job. Jubilant Birth offered a lifeline for Tamara and her family when she needed it the most. Lower-income parents face greater risk of complications such as premature birth and low birthweight. **Through the region's first guaranteed income pilot focused on maternal health, Tamara received \$1,000 in monthly payments for 12 months, providing critical support during a difficult time.** Guaranteed income pilot programs continue to demonstrate that cash paired with strategic community support can improve lives.

Tamara gained access to a birth doula, diapers, and a hospital bag, while maintaining the ability to cover essential expenses. She also found value in connecting with other mothers through the program. United Way's preliminary data shows parents have used this cash for food, housing, and utilities.



“THE EXTRA TIME WE’VE HAD TO BOND IS IRREPLACEABLE. HAVING THAT, ALONG WITH RESOURCES, FINANCIAL SUPPORT, AND A COMMUNITY OF WOMEN SHARING STRUGGLES AND EXPERIENCES, IS INCREDIBLY SUPPORTIVE.”

100% REDUCTION IN FINANCIAL STRESS

75% HEALTHY BABY BIRTH WEIGHTS



“THIS PROGRAM IS REALLY IMPORTANT! I’M ABLE TO LET MY KIDS HAVE FUN AND ENJOY THE SUMMER.”

Summer Meals

212,342 MEALS SERVED

The Summer Meals Collaborative provides children and families across the Capital Region access to free meals and community fun while school is out. This saves a family, on average, about \$250 for every participating child throughout the summer months. **The collaborative is comprised of more than 30 community partners offering nutritious meals and engaging activities for kids at nearly 90 sites.** As the cost of food rises, more families like Antoinette Alexander's have turned to summer meals.

Antoinette, a Schenectady mother of four, found the program especially valuable because it was located just a block from her neighborhood. Her children stayed active, connected with friends, and enjoyed nutritious food while school was out. The experience showed her the power of community resources coming together to support families, giving her children opportunities to learn, play, and make the most of their summer break.

SEE THE FULL LIST OF COLLABORATIVE MEMBERS ON PAGE 9

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

United Way of the Greater Capital Region's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program achieved record-breaking results in 2026. **With a 13% increase in VITA Services, thousands of families were able to access critical refunds and tax credits at no cost.**

One of those individuals was Ann Burns. She was concerned about the complicated tax process and the fees associated with tax preparation, especially as expenses increased and her fixed budget grew tighter.

She found the Hudson Valley VITA site through 211, another program powered by United Way. VITA plays a critical role in advancing financial stability. Ann shared how valuable it was to have face-to-face connections with volunteers who listened to her tax concerns. Ann planned to use her refund for upcoming health care expenses. **VITA Volunteers helped Ann, along with more than 7,000 other clients, access refunds and credits they earned for the 2025 tax season.**

By utilizing free tax services, **families collectively saved an estimated \$2.1 million in filing fees.** VITA ensured more than **\$1.6 million in federal child tax credits** and **\$24,761 in Empire State child tax credits** were returned to families. **These savings remain a critical resource for ALICE individuals.**



“
EVERYTHING IS
GETTING EXPENSIVE,
I'M SO GLAD I GET TO
KEEP MY FULL REFUND
”



\$9.7M

TOTAL REFUNDS

\$2.1M

SAVED IN
TAX PREP FEES

7,018

TAX RETURNS

62%

OF VITA CLIENTS
WERE ALICE

211 Northeast Region

211 Northeast Region has been a trusted source for information referral, providing free, confidential support for immediate needs that local families are struggling with, including food assistance, healthcare, housing, and more.

Available 24/7, trained specialists leverage United Way's strong network of community partners to provide referrals that address both immediate and long-term needs.

“
IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION,
THEY [211] HELP YOU WITH
EVERYTHING AND PROVIDE
ALL OF THE RESOURCES
”

211 TOP NEEDS



HOUSING



INFORMATION
SERVICES



INCOME
SUPPORT

17,222

TOTAL REFERRALS
THROUGH 211

11,338

TOTAL CALLS
RECEIVED

Offshore Wind Career Pathway Program

52 STUDENTS ENROLLED

31 GRADUATES

In partnership with NYSERDA and Capital Region BOCES, the Offshore Wind Career Pathway Program provides tuition-free training opportunities to support students in high-demand careers in the energy sector and offshore wind industry.

Elijah Alston is one of 31 recent program graduates. With a background in construction, Elijah was ready to explore new opportunities that offered greater career mobility and professional growth.

Elijah worked with United Way's Senior Resource Coordinator to enroll in the program's electrical track. **As part of his 300 hours of training, Elijah learned to rewire homes and electrical units.** He also had access to support and resources outside of the classroom.



“IT'S LIKE THE PERFECT STEPPING STONE TO GET MY FOOT IN THE DOOR OF THE ELECTRICAL FIELD, JUST A GREAT OPPORTUNITY. PRETTY MUCH THE SKY IS THE LIMIT.”



“I HAD TEARS IN MY EYES BECAUSE I COULD GET GAS NOW!”

Emergency Response

When the longest federal government shutdown in history began, **Kim Herrera, a TSA agent at Albany International Airport, along with thousands of other federally employed workers, went 43 days without a paycheck,** facing uncertainty about covering basic expenses like groceries and bills. To support essential federal workers who were required to report to work without pay, **United Way partnered with The Regional Food Bank to provide assistance.**

With strong donor support, together we distributed gas cards to help workers continue commuting to their jobs. **As the shutdown continued, assistance expanded to include SNAP recipients affected by delays in benefits,** helping families across the region navigate a period of significant financial uncertainty.

PARTNERED WITH
Albany Co. Dept of Social Services
Albany County Public Libraries

\$250,000
IN GAS AND GROCERY
CARDS DISTRIBUTED
THROUGH 1,000 GIFT CARDS

United Way's Focused Investment Partners are essential to building a thriving Capital Region. Through strategic investments in financial well-being, education, and health, **we support organizations that are helping ALICE households close the affordability gap and access the resources they need to succeed.**

By fostering strong partnerships, United Way advances collective impact, strengthens the nonprofit sector, and ensures resources are distributed responsibly. Together, our partners are creating measurable change and expanding opportunities across the region.

90

**PARTNER
COMMUNITY
ORGANIZATIONS**

Hammerstone Partners:



Bedrock Partners:



Coalition Partners:

SUMMER MEALS COLLABORATIVE

211 Northeast Region
Albany Center Gallery
Albany Housing Authority
Boys & Girls Club of the Capital Area
CAPTAIN Community Human Services
Children's Museum at Saratoga
Choose Healthy Life
Connect Center
CREATE Community Studios
Grassroots Givers
Hunger Solutions New York
New York State Education Department
No Kid Hungry
RISSE
Regional Food Bank of NENY
Rensselaer County Dept. for Youth
Russell Sage College
Saratoga Springs Public Library
Saratoga Springs School District
Schenectady City School District
SEAT Center
Sycamore Collaborative
Siena University
The RED Bookshelf

DIGITAL EQUITY COALITION

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Capital Area
Can Code Communities
Capital District Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)
Connect Center for Youth
United Way Greater Capital Region
Upper Hudson Library System
Workforce Development Institute

COALITIONS

Grantmaking can be a powerful tool for building a shared vision. By investing in and supporting coalitions, United Way drives collective impact by partnering with more than 90 different organizations. As a funder, United Way is proud to support trusted community organizations through participatory grants, enabling partners to co-create priorities and align resources.

PROUD MEMBER OF:

- NY CAN END CHILD POVERTY
- SCHENECTADY COUNTY FOOD COUNCIL
- UWW MATERNAL HEALTH COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE
- NYS CASH ALLIANCE
- ALICE & EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT



MENTAL HEALTH

Support tools for mental and social wellness. Participants were equipped with coping tools and practices to support positive mental health outcomes.

5,520
YOUTH SUPPORTED

- C.R.E.A.T.E. COMMUNITY STUDIOS
- JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES
- KITES NEST
- YOUTH FX



SKILLS BUILDING

Programs that support individual economic well-being by building new skills, return-to-work support, leadership development, and other professional development tools.

7,554
INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTED

- CAN CODE COMMUNITIES
- MISSION ACCOMPLISHED
- NEW YORK FOLKLORE
- SCHOHARIE RIVER CENTER
- UNITED TENANTS OF ALBANY



FINANCIAL WELL-BEING

Support for financial skills building, asset building, and strengthening household resources.

\$13,800
IN ASSETS SAVED

175
INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTED

- CAPTAIN HUMAN SERVICES
- MOM STARTS HERE



WOMEN'S HEALTH

Preventative health services for local women, including screenings, mental health resources, and self-advocacy education.

793
WOMEN SUPPORTED

- CEK RN
- CHASING HEALTH
- IN OUR OWN VOICES
- UPPER HUDSON
PLANNED PARENTHOOD



CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Addresses critical needs, such as early childhood literacy, afterschool STEAM programs, and opportunities to explore beyond the classroom curriculum.

408
PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

- THE BABY INSTITUTE
- FRANK CHAPMAN MEMORIAL INSTITUTE
- RADIX CENTER
- SOUTH END CHILDREN'S CAFE
- WIZARD'S WARDROBE
- TECH VALLEY CENTER OF GRAVITY
- YOUNG FUTURES



NUTRITION

Strengthening food security across the region. Partners provide nourishing meals, nutrition coaching, FoodRx, and cooking classes.

12,800
INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED
40,000
MEALS PROVIDED

30
FOOD ACCESS POINTS

- COLUMBIA COUNTY RECOVERY KITCHEN
- MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH
- SOUL FIRE FARM
- SOUTH END CHILDREN'S CAFE
- ALBANY DAMIEN CENTER

CONNECTED COMMUNITIES

INCREASING TRUST AND CONNECTEDNESS
BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR
COMMUNITIES IN THE CAPITAL REGION.

United We Serve

518 DAY- MAY 18, 2026

518 Day, the Capital Region's largest coordinated day of volunteerism, brought together **more than 1,000 volunteers who collectively contributed 4,000+ service hours to support dozens of local community organizations.** Led by United Way and presented by CDPHP, 518 Day volunteers completed hands-on projects across the region that otherwise may not have been completed because of limited resources, creating even more meaningful impact.

BORN THRIVING COMMUNITY DRIVE

For 518 Day, community members generously supported United Way's Born Thriving Diaper Drive. Donations were collected at CDPHP Fitness Connect at the Ciccotti Center as well as through workplace and online campaigns.

1800+
VOLUNTEERS
2025-2026

1000+
518 DAY VOLUNTEERS

37
NONPROFITS

44
CORPORATE PARTNERS

20,000
DIAPERS COLLECTED



BORN THRIVING

- \$1M secured for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library statewide
- Task Force to explore universal child care

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

- Four-year, \$7 billion investment in child care, establishing the Child Care Task Force
- Expanded the Empire State Child Tax Credit for children under four and introduced Baby Bucks benefit, a one-time \$1,800 payment per newborn for eligible low-income women
- Statewide passage of universal free school meals for 2.7 million kids

CONNECTED COMMUNITIES

- \$2.8M in funding for 211 Northeast

Advocacy Wins at the State Level

United Way, along with coalition partners, advanced key policies in 2025 that positively impacted families across the state. In 2026, United Way welcomed Governor Kathy Hochul to highlight key priorities in her statewide budget aimed at making life more affordable for families and individuals.



WEAVE: The Social Fabric Project

United Way of the Greater Capital Region was selected nationally as a 2026 Community Host of the Weaver Awards.

In 2025, United Way was selected by The Aspen Institute as one of 25 Community Host organizations for the Weaver Awards. **This partnership highlights the value of working together to build trust and collaboration to strengthen a community's social fabric.**

The Weaver Awards celebrate and support local weavers, who are everyday neighbors building relationships and organizing community members to solve local problems, while building a culture of social trust.



\$75,000

**TO BE AWARDED
VIA MICRO GRANTS**

30

**WEAVERS TO BE
SELECTED IN 2026**



DECCR

Digital Equity Coalition of the Capital Region

United Way is bridging the digital divide for ALICE households by expanding access to affordable devices, providing low-cost internet solutions, and offering digital navigation resources for individuals in rural communities.

Devices are essential for finding jobs, accessing health records, and applying for benefits. Large screen devices like laptops and tablets are critical and enable better access and connectivity.

DECCR, co-founded by United Way, aims to strengthen affordable connectivity, access to devices, and provide digital education. United Way was one of a few select recipients statewide to receive new funding to advance digital inclusion.

\$535,000

**AWARDED IN
STATE FUNDING**

\$106,000

**INVESTED TO EXPAND
DIGITAL ACCESS THROUGH
LOCAL LIBRARIES**

1 in 7

**HOUSEHOLDS DON'T
HAVE A COMPUTER**



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A personal library provides comfort, a sense of identity as a reader, and immediate access to books whenever a child wants them. Most importantly, books in the home send a clear message that reading is valued and is an important part of everyday life.

It is a privilege to partner with the United Way in supporting such a meaningful initiative and helping ensure that more children have the opportunity to develop their own home library.

”

Carolyn Fagan,
Retired Librarian - Troy Public Library

5,880
DONORS

199
CORPORATE
PARTNERS

\$3,180,145
CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS

From July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

UNITED IS THE WAY WE GIVE PHILANTHROPY

United Way of the Greater Capital Region's impact is supported by the dedication of our **four cornerstone partners**, who strengthen our ability to serve local families. We proudly recognize the following individuals and organizations for their outstanding contributions and lasting impact throughout the Capital Region.

CORNERSTONE INDIVIDUAL PARTNERS

Tocqueville Society Members

The generosity and leadership of the Tocqueville Society reflect the remarkable philanthropic spirit of service to the region. Their commitment enables United Way to deliver essential programs while pursuing innovative initiatives that expand our impact.

WALLACE ALTES

KELLY ANDERSON

MELISSA & JOSH BENNETT

DIANE & RICH DEWEY

THE FAGAN FAMILY

NEIL GOLUB

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THE MASSRY FAMILY

MARILYN J. MIELKE TRUST

JOHN J. NIGRO

PERCY WALLER FOUNDATION

DIANA & RICH STRAUT

ENID TANENHAUS & LEWIS SEGAL

WILLIAM AND ROBERTA WINSMAN

WOMEN UNITED

Women United is a group of passionate and philanthropic women empowered by United Way to make meaningful contributions in our community through volunteerism and giving back. Members advocate for issues that matter to their community and advance equity and excellence for all women and children.

Power Pitch

Powered by Women United



Supported by a generous community of donors and advocates, **Power Pitch** showcases the power of collective investment in women and community-driven solutions. In 2025, the event introduced the **Esther Patterson Power In Action Award**. The event's grand prize was renamed in memory of Esther Patterson, whose legacy continues to inspire the mission of United Way and the spirit of Power Pitch.

This year's \$10,000 grant was awarded to **Live Limitless Refuge Center** for its transformative approach to supporting women experiencing homelessness. **Disability EmpowHer Network** received the Fan Favorite grant sponsored by Community Bank, and **Capital District Latinos** earned the Spark Power grant sponsored by.



In Loving Memory of
Esther Patterson
1960-2024

MIXER WITH THE MAYOR

Dr. Dorcey Applyrs, Mayor of Albany

In celebration of **Women's History Month** in March, Women United hosted a Mixer with the Mayor. The evening was dedicated to celebrating the strength, influence, and collective power of women across the Capital Region. **The conversation with Albany Mayor Dorcey Applyrs revolved around the relationships and experiences that shape women into community leaders.** Mayor Applyrs shared perspectives on how those foundational influences continue to inform her leadership. **Moderated by Women United member and United Way Board Member Ana Killings**, the conversation also explored the evolving role of women in philanthropy and the power of women to drive meaningful change in their communities.



Eryka Jenkins



Loni Lee

Women United Chairs

CORNERSTONE CORPORATE PARTNERS

Companies contributing \$75,000+

Hannaford Supermarkets
Market 32 & Price Chopper
National Grid
Naval Nuclear Laboratory
New York Independent System Operator

Companies contributing \$15,000 - \$74,999

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Bobrick Washroom Equipment
Capital District Transportation Authority
CDPHP
Central Hudson Gas & Electric
CSEA
DeNooyer Chevrolet, Inc.
Environment One Corporation
GE Aerospace
GE Vernova
KeyBank
MVP Health Care
NBT Bank
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Teamsters Local 294

PER CAPITA GIVING

Companies with employees donating \$600+

The Bonadio Group
Gilbane Building Company
Plug

CORNERSTONE PROGRAM PARTNERS

JUBILANT BIRTH

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy & Albany County
Charles Touhey & The Carl E. Touhey Foundation
Highmark Blue Shield of NENY

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

Aflac New York
Fagan Associates
Fenimore Asset Management
George Hearst III
IBEW Local 236
Chet & Karen Opalka
Price Chopper's Golub Foundation
Enid Tanenhaus & Lewis Segal

SUMMER MEALS

Aflac New York
Albany Med Health System
Bank of America
CDPHP
Hannaford Supermarkets

CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY PARTNERS

EMERGENCY RELIEF PROGRAM

Albany County Executive Dan McCoy
The Regional Food Bank

518 DAY

CDPHP

UNIONS UNITED

IBEW Local 236
Teamsters Local 294



LEADERSHIP GIVERS

United Way's leadership donors, contribute \$1,000 to \$9,999, driving lasting change in the Capital Region.

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Ethan Chevrette	Keith Freedman	Richard Ikasalo	Mary McCarthy	John Persons	Jason Sidoti	Scott Zelakiewicz
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1957 – 2026

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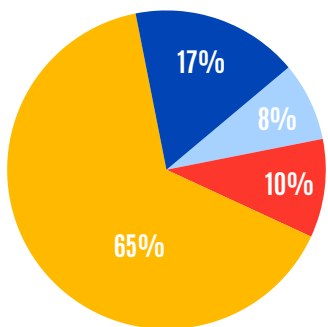
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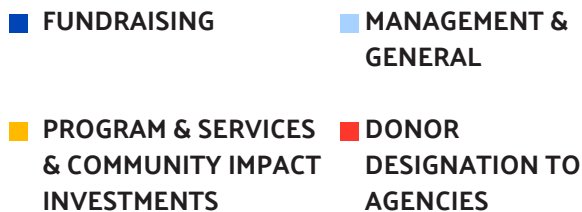
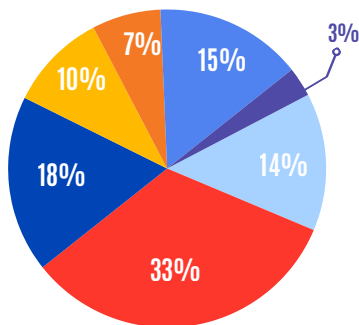
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as of June 30, 2026

UNITED WAY OF THE GREATER CAPITAL REGION

	Unaudited 6/30/2026	Audited 6/30/2025
Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	655,300	529,929
Investments	7,145,181	7,807,809
Pledges Receivables	1,207,025	807,489
Other Receivables	453,826	414,911
Prepaid Expenses	21,447	-
Property & Equipment Net	971,254	1,194,016
Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trust	716,314	666,160
Total Assets	11,170,350	11,420,314
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	392,009	393,176
Grants Payable	-	-
Deferred Revenue	104,653	186,961
Designations Payable	834,608	713,701
Notes Payable	800,000	395,000
Total Liabilities	2,131,270	1,688,838
Net Assets		
Net Assets without Donor Restrictions - Undesignated	1,261,713	1,412,524
Net Assets without Donor Restrictions - Board Designated	6,478,679	7,245,264
Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	1,298,688	1,073,688
Total Net Assets	9,039,080	9,731,476
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$11,170,350	\$11,420,314



UNITED WAY EXPENSES



UNITED WAY REVENUE



SEFA

For more than 25 years, United Way has helped New York State employees direct contributions to causes they care most about through the **State Employees Federated Appeal (SEFA)**.

\$524,025

raised through SEFA
in 2025

81

participating agencies

UNIONS UNITED

Since the 1940s, United Way and organized labor have partnered to advance job creation, education, and healthy communities. Union members generously support annual campaigns, volunteer on **518 Day**, participate in events like the **Labor Parade** and **National Letter Carrier's Food Drive**, and can benefit from the **Emergency Labor Assistance Program (ELAP)**.

\$48K+

raised through
Labor Unions



Lazarou Open, June 2026

WE DON'T DO OUR WORK ALONE AND WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!

Thank you to all the families, individuals, local and regional businesses and their employees who contributed critical dollars to fund needed services across the Greater Capital Region.

United Way of the Greater Capital Region serves families & individuals in Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, and Schoharie county.

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