

# UNITED, We've Got This!

**2020 DONOR IMPACT REPORT** 



**United Way of Broward County** 



Thanks to the tireless support of our valued donors, corporate sponsors and community partnerships, United Way of Broward County was able to keep ALL of our year-round programs funded and operating, and expanded services to support the growing number of people in need.

This meant clients could continue receiving services – although perhaps in a different way. Clients of Project Lifeline food banks, for example, picked up their weekly deliveries of fresh, nutritious food from the comfort and safety of their cars (rather than walk-in pickup). Our ReadingPals early literacy program switched from its usual in-person mentoring to an online scenario. And our community training sessions went virtual to keep hundreds of participants informed about key issues and techniques.

Innovation was also evident in other areas. Through our Dignity in Aging programs, lonely and isolated seniors learned how to connect with friends and loved ones via Zoom and other platforms. To help more than 50 local Black- and brown-owned microbusinesses weather the pandemic, we distributed more than \$500,000 in grants so they could purchase pandemic-friendly equipment or simply pay rent and salaries.

We are so grateful for your support of United Way of Broward County and our community this past year. And, of course, we tremendously appreciate the transformational gift we received from philanthropist and author MacKenzie Scott.

On the cover of this Donor Impact Report is an expression of gratitude from one of the families your support has touched. On behalf of them and countless others - we say, "THANK YOU."

# CHALLENGING YEAR

Half of all households in Broward County are hard-working, low-income ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) families or those living below the federal poverty line. They are one crisis away from disaster – and that one crisis was COVID-19, which has reduced income, increased healthcare needs and created havoc with childcare and other necessities. United Way increased our community outreach to help support the growing **ALICE** population.



# **YOU Touched Their Lives**

#### MEET MATTIE. a Project Lifeline Client

Mattie has been struggling for years to make ends meet, particularly with the high cost of living in Broward County. That's why she appreciates United Way of Broward County's Project Lifeline. Each week, Mattie picks up a box of fresh fruits, vegetables, milk, bread, eggs, meat and packaged goods, which enables her to cook meals that are good for her. Since 2009, Project Lifeline has provided over 14.5 million pounds of fresh, nutritious food to food banks and feeding programs across Broward County.

#### "I don't know what I would do without this assistance," said Mattie.



Scan the QR codes to learn more about the difference YOU are making and how YOU can get more involved in changing lives.



# MEET JOSÉ.

José, a 9/11 first responder and an Army Veteran who served over a year in Iraq, moved to Broward County for a fresh start. After a divorce, he was living in his truck with his girlfriend and her teenage sons. Through his job as a heavy-duty mechanic, they were able to save a little money for a hotel, but couldn't afford the costs of an apartment.

Fortunately, the VA referred José to United Way of Broward County's **MISSION UNITED**, which serves those who served our country. José was able to get the funds needed to rent a two-bedroom apartment, as well as backpacks of school supplies for the children, and referral to other resources. Today, as José continues to work and save, he appreciates the hand up he received to help his family move forward.

*"I never thought I'd find myself* in this situation," said José. "But MISSION UNITED really did everything they promised."





**A TRANSFORMATIONAL GIFT** 

This year, United Way of Broward County was thrilled and humbled to receive a transformational donation of \$20 million from MacKenzie Scott. This gift, the single largest in our United Way's history, is part of \$4.2 billion Ms. Scott donated to 384 organizations to support those impacted by the pandemic. A total of 6,490 organizations were vetted.

After careful consideration and approval by our Board of Directors, it was determined that Ms. Scott's gift will be used to address a number of current challenges and to be invested for future needs. We are deeply grateful for MacKenzie Scott's visionary philanthropy and are working hard to ensure that her gift makes a meaningful, long-lasting impact on our community.

#### a MISSION UNITED Veteran

#### **MEET SUSAN.** a ReadingPals Volunteer

For five years, Susan has been a ReadingPals mentor. ReadingPals, United Way of Broward County's early literacy program, teaches students in Pre-K through second grade to read at grade level. Over the past decade, more than 1,800 mentors have completed over 39,000 volunteer hours, impacting the lives of over 2,320 children.

Before the pandemic, Susan spent an hour a week with a first-grade student, reading books and playing word and reading games. Last year, Susan's volunteer work changed to online mentoring. Despite initial technology challenges with her mentee, by the end of the school year she felt he made progress. For the current school year, Susan is working with a student who has returned to the classroom.

"It's wonderful to see the progress from the beginning to the end of the year. The students arow verv enthusiastic as the weeks pass," said Susan.





# UNITED, we are making a difference throughout our community.



## Helping children learn to read at grade level

With the pandemic keeping schools closed. United Way of Broward **County's ReadingPals initiative** operated virtually in 16 schools with one-on-one reading mentorship:

**121** students in pre-K through second grade had a ReadingPal.

109 adults volunteered as a ReadingPals mentor.

142 families attended a virtual Family Literacy Night program with an author reading his book.

Still. there are 115 public elementary schools without ReadingPals' invaluable support for students and parents.

## **Providing Veterans** the support they have earned

Through MISSION UNITED. United Way of Broward County's supportive services for Veterans initiative:

948 Veterans received pro bono legal assistance.

**829** Veterans were connected to housing support.

743 Veterans were connected to support for basic needs (food, employment, healthcare, etc.).

Still, there is a great need to expand these services so all Veterans have the support they have earned.

## **Empowering people to** earn, keep and grow assets

Of those served by United Way of Broward County's financial prosperity programs:

**93%** were able to increase their self-sufficiency through employment stability.

94% increased their level of selfsufficiency with housing support.

99% used adult education to increase their level of selfsufficiency.

Still, due to the financial challenges posed by the pandemic, only 57.5% of people were able to improve their credit scores.

## **Providing access to** fresh, nutritious food

Through United Way of Broward **County's Project Lifeline program:** 

525,082 individuals and families were served.

**1.7** million pounds of nutritious food were distributed.

**35** local food banks and feeding programs distributed.

Still, thousands of people in **Broward County are food insecure** and going to bed hungry.

More than 100 programs at work every day

# optimal health

Of those supported by United programs:

**70%** who received healthcare services experienced an improvement in overall health.

**93%** of participants with chronic medical conditions were able to access preventative care through home visits.

**100%** of parents with children who have special medical needs increased their knowledge, skills and abilities to care for their child.

Still. clinics offering free healthcare were unable to serve the typical number of clients due to concerns about COVID-19 and the absence of volunteer medical providers.

United Way of Broward County fights for the Health, Education and Financial Prosperity of EVERY person in our community.





# **Providing opportunities** for people to achieve

# Way of Broward County's health

### Helping children. vouth and families live substance-free

**Through United Way of Broward County's Commission on Behavioral** Health & Drug Prevention:

22,000+ middle and high school students participated in the Commission's programs and events.

**60+** schools in Broward County implemented evidence-based prevention programs scientifically proven to prevent substance use.

Still, 16.8% of Broward County high school students reported misuse of prescription pain medicine.

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# **Responding to emerging needs**

As the pandemic continued, so did our assistance to the community. In addition to the dollars and supplies distributed in the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as funding for other nonprofits this year, our community support included the following:







\$170,605 for RENTAL AND

**MORTGAGE** assistance

\$200,000 to fund LEARNING PODS so parents could go to work

outside the home

\$75,000 for CHILDCARE support









in grants to help more than 50 BLACK- AND BROWN-OWNED **MICROBUSINESSES** weather the pandemic

# Supporting other communities in times of trouble

In response to devastating hurricanes in Guatemala and Honduras, and the tragic condominium collapse in Surfside, Florida, United Way of Broward County supported our worldwide family by directing donations to other United Ways to help their local communities.



United Way of Broward County extends a special thanks to all the individuals and organizations that generously support our work in the community.

# **Top 25 Workplace Campaigns**.

- 1. Publix Super Markets, Inc.
- 2. JM Family Enterprises, Inc.
- 3. United Parcel Service/Teamsters Local 769
- 4. Sunshine Health Plan
- 5. Memorial Healthcare System
- 6. Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.
- 7. Enterprise Holdings South Florida
- 8. Costco Wholesale
- 9. Florida Power & Light Company/IBEW Local 759
- 10. Broward County Government/AFSCME Local 2866 & Federation of Public Employees
- 11. Broward Health
- 12. Holman Automotive Group
- 13. Berkowitz Pollack Brant Advisors
- 14. Wells Fargo
- **15. School Board of Broward County, Florida/Broward Teachers Union & Federation of Public Employees**
- **16. Nova Southeastern University**
- 17. Bank of America
- 18. Price Waterhouse Coopers, LLP
- **19. StevenDouglas Associates**
- 20. Truist
- 21. United Way of Broward County
- 22. Federal Express Corporation
- 23. Florida Blue
- 24. Space Coast Credit Union
- 25. Raymond James & Associates





#### **DIAMOND CHAIRMAN'S CIRCLE**









#### **GOLD CHAIRMAN'S CIRCLE**



#### **DIAMOND CORPORATE PARTNER**



#### **GOLD CORPORATE PARTNER**

Holman

Memorial





#### SILVER CORPORATE PARTNER



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As of June 30, 2021

# **Financial Highlights 2020-2021**

#### **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

JUNE	30,	2021
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Current assets										\$:	32,773,17	78
Other assets .											2,620,95	54
Total assets .										.:	35,394,13	32
Liabilities											6,706,8 <sup>-</sup>	19

#### **NET ASSETS**

Total net asset					. \$	28,68	37,313
With donor restrictions $\ . \ .$						3,4	18,937
Without donor restrictions					.\$	25,26	58,376

#### **STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

#### YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

REVENUE
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Gross contributions
Provision for uncollectible (1,669,804)
MacKenzie Scott Gift
Disaster Relief- Covid
Legacy Gifts
Net contributions

TOTAL REVENUE
Investment Gain
Other Revenue
Payroll Protection Program 401,819
Grants

#### **EXPENSES**

TOTAL EXPENSES
Management and General 951,908
Development
Program Services
Designations
Allocations and Contracted programs $\ . \ . \ . \ . \ \$13,471,278$

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#### WHERE YOUR DOLLAR GOES

86% PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES 9% DEVELOPMENT & OUTREACH **5% ADMINISTRATION** 



# Change lives every day Put your kindness into action

## GIVE

#### • Increase your pledge

- Join an affinity group
- Consider a legacy gift
- Honor a loved one with a tribute gift
- County
- to learn about

## Yes, I want to continue changing lives





# ADVOCATE

- Use your voice to make an impact
- Support advocacy
  - opportunities in Broward
- Follow us on social media

  - advocacy opportunities

# VOLUNTEER

- Volunteer to support those in need
- Read with a child for 1 hour a week
- Mentor a Veteran
- Attend United Way of **Broward County events**

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