

WELCOME NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



I am honored for the opportunity to serve our community as Executive Director of Watertown Area United Way. Since joining in March of 2023, I've had the privilege of seeing how compassionate and generous the Watertown community is. I've also had the challenges of seeing how our neighbor's struggle. Whether through ongoing challenges or sudden changes caused by job loss, sudden illness or struggles with addiction. No matter the circumstances, now more than ever, we need to live UNITED. Our 35 funded agencies are critical to the support of our community and Watertown Area United Way's campaign is critical to those agencies. Thank you for your heart, thank you for your compassion and thank you for believing that in truly great communities we take care of each other.

Laura Heathcote
Executive Director

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 - Cathy Shanholts

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 - Alyssa Wohlleber
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- Anonymous
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 - Christina Aas
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 - Brittnee Buchmann
 - Heather Bury
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 - Karyn Christensen
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 - Liz Christianson &
 - Dustin Brownell
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 - Ashley Collins
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- Mark & Kim Marotz
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- Wayne & Linda Meester
- Mike & Michelle Meidinger
- Sean & Kristi Melmer
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- Janelle Miller
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- Hope Pennington
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- Michelle Rushing
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- Lola Sackreiter
- Jordan Sandoz
- Kristine Sapp
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- Dustin L Schuler
- Mike Schulte
- Andrea Schultz
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- Alan & Sue Taecker
- Troy & Melissa Terronez
- Michelle Theisen
- April & Chris Thompson
- Blair Titze
- Zach Thompson
- Angela Trautner
- Curt & Shelly Trego
- Samantha Valberg
- Dale & Janice Valberg
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- JR VandeZande
- Pamela Van Glider
- Troy & Carol VanDusen
- Jodi VanMaanen
- Robin Waega
- Taevin Wall
- Tim & Julie Walter
- Laurie Ward
- Jill L Warne
- Karen Weber
- Cheyenne Weber
- Rebecca L Weber
- Gary & Ann Weckwerth
- Teresa D Weiss
- Todd L Whetsel
- Deb & Don Wiedman
- Adam & Amanda Wientjes
- Kim & Kathy Wilde
- Curt & Brenda Wilhelmi
- Jeff & Tonya Williams
- Allisen Wortmann
- CJ Woodmansee
- David Wolf
- Dani A York
- Jodie Young
- Marty Zastrow
- Misty Zoss

BE THE CHANGE.

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2023-2024 Campaign Chairs
Stuart & Crystal Stein

WE FUND 35 AGENCIES
WHO SUPPORT EDUCATION,
FINANCIAL STABILITY,
AND HEALTH.



The Watertown Area United Way is a non-profit community based volunteer organization whose purpose is to assist in meeting human care needs of Watertown Area residents. **GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.**



Watertown Area United Way

Care has been taken to list all names completely and accurately. We regret any errors or omissions.

**Rising Star members will be listed on the United Way website under the Rising Star Club tab.



PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF \$550,000.

INVESTING IN YOUR LOCAL UNITED WAY & OUR 35 AGENCY PROGRAMS HELPS THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS IN AND AROUND THE WATERTOWN AREA. AS UNITED WAY STANDS BY OUR AGENCIES WE ASK THE COMMUNITY TO STAND BY UNITED WAY.



HOW TO HELP

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY BY VOLUNTEERING WITH, ADVOCATING FOR, OR GIVING TO UNITED WAY. PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL BY DONATING ONLINE, BY MAIL, VIA PAYROLL DEDUCTION, OR EVEN STOP BY OUR OFFICE TO DROP OFF YOUR GIFT.

WAYS TO GIVE

1. SECURE ONLINE DONATION: Scan the QR code with the camera app on a smart device or visit www.watertownunitedway.org and click on the red DONATE button on the right.

2. PAYROLL DEDUCTION: Ask your employer for a pledge card. If your employer does not offer payroll deduction call UW for a pledge card or help get your employer on the list of campaign businesses for United Way.

3. BILL AT HOME: Download a pledge card off the United Way website or stop by the office to grab one. United Way can send you a monthly, quarterly or an annual bill at home for your pledged amount.

4. MAIL: Donations can be addressed to "Watertown Area United Way" and mailed to PO Box 283, Watertown, SD, 57201.

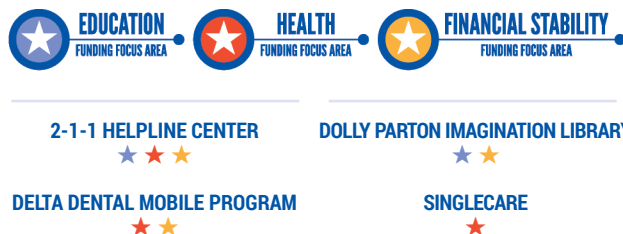
5. DROP OFF AT UW OFFICE: Donations can be dropped off 24/7 at our office into a locked mailbox. Seal your donation in an envelope labeled "United Way" and insert into the building's mail slot. The mail slot is located to the right of the outside front door labeled with a sign saying "United Way Donation Drop Off".

6. ENDOWMENT FUND: Give towards the Watertown Area United Way endowment fund held with the local community foundation. You can donate to the endowment online or by mailing a check. For more details on how to give to the endowment fund please call (605) 886-5815 or email director@watertownunitedway.org.



DONATE ONLINE TODAY!

2023-2024 INITIATIVES & PARTNERS



2023-2024 AGENCY PROGRAMS

AMERICAN RED CROSS SERVING EASTERN SOUTH DAKOTA ★

BEACON CENTER ★★ ★

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF WATERTOWN, INC. ★★

CODINGTON COUNTY DRUG COURT ★

CODINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ★

CODINGTON COUNTY SEARCH & RESCUE ★★

COMMUNITY TRANSIT, INC. ★

D.A.R.E. ★★

EAST CENTRAL COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA) ★

EMBE – GIRLS ON THE RUN ★★

GIRL SCOUTS – DAKOTA HORIZONS ★

HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY - PROJECT SUCCESS ★★

HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY - SERENITY HILLS ★

ICAP – 60'S PLUS DINNING ★

ICAP* – HEAD START OFFICE SUPPORT ★

ICAP* – DELTA DENTAL MOBILE PROGRAM ★★

ICAP* – HEAD START PRE-BIRTH TO FIVE SUPPLIES ★★ ★

ICAP* – VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) ★

LAKE AREA ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY ★

LATC ADULT EDUCATION & LITERACY PROGRAM ★

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES - CENTER FOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES ★

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES - BEHAVIOR HEALTH SERVICES ★

THE SALVATION ARMY OF WATERTOWN ★

SIoux COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ★

WATERTOWN AREA PEOPLE AGAINST CHILD HUNGER (PACH) ★

WATERTOWN AREA SWIM CLUB ★★

WATERTOWN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION ★★

WATERTOWN LACROSSE CLUB ★★

WATERTOWN LAKER HOCKEY ASSOCIATION ★

WATERTOWN PARK & REC ADULT/SENIOR ACTIVITIES ★★

WATERTOWN FIGURE SKATING CLUB ★★

WTN PARK & REC YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL PROGRAM ★

WATERTOWN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION (WYSA) ★

*ICAP stands for Interlakes Community Action Partnership

\$1 A WEEK CAN...

Provide 13 GED Ready Official Practice Tests for LATC adult students.

Allow for an incentive for complying to the rules of Drug Court.

Provide a pair of running shoes for a "Girls on the Run" girl.

Provide approximately 12 meals in the Sixties Plus Dining Program.

Would help provide PACH food bags to 8 students.

8th Annual MONTGOMERY'S Sweepstakes

Win A \$5,000 Room Makeover

To enter: give a minimum of \$1 a week or \$52 for the first time, increase your giving annual giving by \$52 or join the Heart Club level of \$500 annually.

UNITED WAY OUTREACH



Dream More, Learn More, Care More, Be More

IMAGINATION LIBRARY

Since 2002, Watertown Area United Way and the Watertown Regional Library have worked hard to help 3,931 area youth graduate from the program. As of August 2023, 842 youth are currently registered in the program. Free monthly books are sent to your ages 0-5 who live in Codington County or have a parent/guardian who works in Codington County.

Two books annually are published in both English and Spanish. Families can even receive braille copies through American Printing House under the Imagination Library's Braille Tales program. Over 250,000 books have been sent to youth since 2002.

To sign up your child today, visit www.watertownunitedway.org for an online registration form both in English or Spanish. With eligibility questions or to update and address please call 605-886-5815.

****Watertown Area United Way covers 100% of the cost to run the Imagination Library locally. United Way does accept sponsorships and has received local grants to help sponsor the library but any remaining costs are covered by your local United Way and NOT Dolly Parton or her foundation.**

DELTA DENTAL MOBILE

Watertown Area United Way has brought the Delta Dental Mobile to the Watertown Area since 2011. By participating in the Delta Dental Mobile Program, children in the Watertown Area have received quality oral health services, including cleanings, preventive services, fillings, and oral health education. The first visit was in 2011 and since then the bus has served 767 youth and provided dental care at no cost to the families valued at \$540,826.

See www.watertownunitedway.org/delta-dental/mobile/program for full 2022 & 2023 visit reports.

