

# LEND A HAND IN OUR COMMUNITY – VOLUNTEER!

Meaningful community solutions require more than money or programs or policies. The kind of real and lasting change that benefits everyone is only possible when people of all ages and from all walks of life are willing to roll up their sleeves and go where their time and talent is most needed.

## WILL YOU:

- Make a donation?
- Share your time?
- Use your muscle?
- Connect with us online?
- Share your talents?
- Use your voice?
- Spread the word?
- Read to children?
- Share this brochure?



**Get Connected** is your LOCAL United Way's volunteer website designed to connect members of our community with volunteer opportunities, nonprofit events, wish lists and job postings throughout our valley. Volunteers, organizations, schools and companies can set up groups, track hours and receive notifications from their favorite places to volunteer.

Join today at  
<http://getconnected.unitedwayww.org>.

COVER: United Way's Board President Kevin Quinn celebrates with Bryar Jensen and Alex Johanson at a Walla Walla Sweets Game. These two students earned Varsity Letters in Community Services this year.

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## LET'S HELP EACH OTHER

### LIVE UNITED®



### MISSION

United Way of Walla Walla County empowers donors, volunteers, advocates and agencies to improve the Health, Education and Financial Stability of every person in Walla Walla and Columbia Counties.

# BECAUSE OF YOU!

Our community wins when kids succeed in school, adults can secure a good job, manage their finances, and provide a healthy environment for their families.

## Provide Food Shelter

- food, clothing, transportation
- emergency services
- violence prevention and support
- safe havens
- legal services

## Foster Learning

- early childhood education
- child welfare
- youth development
- after-school programs
- summer camps
- life skills
- post-secondary education access

## Improve Health

- counseling
- awareness and camps for children with disabilities
- physical health
- senior services
- grief support
- crisis intervention

## Establish Financial Stability

- workforce development
- financial education
- adult literacy

## Strengthen Communities

- localized social services
- disaster services
- volunteer organizations
- regional organizations

In 2017, the United Way of Walla Walla County invested over **\$268,000** in proven, high-quality LOCAL programs. Your donations helped create long-term impact in our community. There are many inspirational stories, but here are a few examples of how YOUR commitment to **helping each other** is making a difference.

Christian lives in a neighborhood known for gang violence. With both parents working full time and very little supervision, Christian needs an afterschool program that will help him with schoolwork, keep him safe, and help him develop the skills needed to thrive and resist gang activity as he grows up. **Will you support after school programs through United Way's Community Fund? They make a real difference in the lives and future of our youth.**



Betsy had just turned 86 when she was released from the hospital after surgery. She went home to an empty house without friends or family nearby to support her. After a call from the hospital social worker, Meals on Wheels arranged meal delivery five days a week. Now, she receives a daily nutritious lunchtime meal and has even made a few friends with the volunteers along the way. **Will you support senior services through United Way's Community Fund? They make a real difference in the lives of our seniors.**



Pam's abusive husband made her life a nightmare. She could see the abuse starting to have an impact on her child and wasn't sure where to turn. Through access to much needed support, advocacy, resources and counselling, Pam was able to safely leave the relationship and start a new life. **Will you support violence prevention and counselling through United Way's Community Fund? It may save a life.**

