

WHAT WE DO

United Way of Frederick County brings people and institutions together to collectively build a strong, viable community. We focus on strengthening the health, education and financial stability of the Frederick County community. We know that communities and individuals thrive when they have access to affordable, quality health care, children do better in school and in life when they have access to quality education, and people are more financially secure when they have the skill sets to land and keep good jobs.

1 WE IDENTIFY LOCAL NEEDS

We tackle the issues. We lead programs that make a difference. We fund local nonprofits. We bring people together. We change lives for the better.

2 WHY WE DO IT

In Frederick County, 37% of our hardworking households struggle to make ends meet. They are Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (ALICE). Today COVID has swelled their ranks. They are our teachers, our health care workers, our seniors, our single parents, our family members. With the local high cost of living, they have to choose between health care, food, childcare, and transportation. They are one unexpected bill away from losing everything.

3 HOW WE DO IT

Through programs and grants, United Way of Frederick County yields nearly \$3 million annually in community impact that helps children, adults and families thrive. Whether it's through the Prosperity Savings Accounts program, free tax preparation, budget coaching, or financial education, the Prosperity Center helps families and individuals obtain the knowledge and resources they need to achieve financial stability.



Health

...ensure access to affordable emergency and regular dental care, reducing emergency room visits...provide mental health crisis services to improve behavioral health



Education

...bolster family engagement towards positive early childhood development...improve graduation rates for homeless youth giving them skills for success... increase literacy skills for adults to use in the workplace and home to enhance early childhood learning



Financial Stability

...help homeless families move into stable housing... provide free budget and credit counseling, income tax preparation, and asset building programs to buy a home...connect hard-to-reach communities with necessary resources to improve quality of life