

Your Donations Help Here!

VALUE OF IN-KIND DONATIONS
RECEIVED IN 2017 WAS \$158,723.

**Give \$1.00 a week, just \$52.00 a year
and your donation can help buy:**

\$2.00 = two days of electricity

\$5.00 = can provide 15 meals

\$10 = 1 month garbage service for SAFE

\$12 = electricity for a room at SAFE

\$20 = CC Rider passes for four trips

\$52 = utility assistance for one month

Your donations at work!

SAFE

United Way has touched literally every aspect of SAFE's work and, since the Columbia County Women's Resource Center received that pivotal funding in 1981, has been crucial to SAFE's ability to carry out its mission.

Columbia Pacific Food Bank

Client quotation: "I can't work like I used to due to a disability from my job. My three kids are fed thanks to your program. It makes our home happy and growing. This is a great program for the community." Love –a Single Mom

Vernonia Cares

A new mother, had no money and ran out of baby formula. The food bank had the kind she needed.

We can raise funds only in

Columbia County or from residents of

**Columbia County who direct their
donations back to our community.**

Funds raised here stay here to

help support local programs .

Important Facts

1. Donations help fund services for Columbia County residents.
2. United Way donations help programs leverage additional money.
3. Give with payroll deduction, cash, check, bill me, online with PayPalGivingFund, auto deduct from your bank account or donate stock.
4. Locally raised donations provide support for local programs.
5. Donations to the Community Impact Fund do the most good.
6. All applications for funding are reviewed by local volunteers and Board members.
7. Corporate Cornerstone Program helps cover operating expenses. Allowing individual donor dollars to support community programs.
8. United Way of Columbia County is governed by local community volunteers.
9. United Way offers you a one stop verification point for receipt and delivery of your donations.
10. Donors may direct their donations. (Minimum \$50.00 per designation).
11. Donor information is not sold or shared.
12. No goods or services are exchanged for donations.

*Fifty four years of working together
for the
residents of Columbia County.*

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**United Way
of Columbia County**



LIVE UNITED
Reach out to your neighbor.
Offer hope, change lives,
make a difference!

**Your donations help in
Columbia County.**

Focus Areas & Programs

INCOME

CAT: Energy Services

CAT: Homeless Prevention/Rapid Rehousing
(formerly transitional and emergency housing)

CAT: Veterans Services

EDUCATION

CAT: Parenting Education

Progress Center

Stuff the Bus- Annual School Supply Drive

School Supplies- *donations used to purchase items to supplement those donated.*

HEALTH

Columbia Pacific Food Bank

CAT: Respite Care

Emergency Support Shelter

SAFE of Columbia County

Turning Point Community Service Center

Vernonia Cares

IMPACT FOCUS

Meals on Wheels Programs in Columbia County
Unmet needs for Seniors and Disabled

DISASTER RECOVERY FUND

Restricted to providing support for disasters.

COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND

Has the greatest impact in the community
and allows the Board of directors to place funds
where the need is greatest.

ANNUAL UNITED WAY FUNDRAISERS

Partnership with Burgerville

Halloween Town Decorated Broom Sales

Inner Artist Paint Parties

Dinner with Friends

CAT – Energy/Utility Assistance

One household we assisted was a low income father with two kids. The client has been paying additional expenses for his wife's prescriptions while she resided in a care facility. This additional unexpected expense had prevented him from being able to make his usual payments. We were able to utilize United Way funding to prevent their electricity from being shut off.

Your Gift Can Help Change a Life!

Give five minutes a day!

If you earn an average wage of
\$15 per hour = .25 per minute

5 minutes a day, \$1.25/day, \$6.25/week
=\$25/month = \$300 a year.

or

\$5.00 per month, just \$60 per year can
provide 180 meals for families in need.

Why give through Payroll Deduction?

1. **It is an investment in your community and helps change lives.**
2. **One donor form, once a year, gives all year. United Way does the work.**
4. **Pay stub and a copy of your donor form are a receipt of your charitable donation for IRS purposes.**
5. **No need to worry about writing checks or whether you paid your pledge each month.**
6. **Your gift provides funding that helps support community programs all year.**
7. **Your gift works for the common good of the community.**
8. **You are making a difference for someone in need!**

"Support Your Community"

By designating your pledge to

United Way of Columbia County

Community Impact Fund.

Where Your Dollars Helped!

Turning Point Community Services

We had a 17 year old who had 20 hours of community service last Christmas. She did her 20 hours and with the training provided by Turning Point she continued working in the food pantry. In May, she started working at a local drive in. She cooked, ran the front counter, etc. In August 2017 she turned 18, moved to another county and is working full time in a supermarket deli. United Way funds help us provide food and this type of assistance to our community.

Emergency Support Shelter

We received a call from a woman in Columbia County who disclosed she was a victim of domestic violence and was afraid for her and her infant's safety. We were able to do a safety plan with her and bring her to our shelter for an intake. She was so relieved to be able to stay at our shelter and know that she and her baby were safe. Our advocate supported her in getting a protection order in place. She was ready for a new life, and coming to our shelter gave her the change to make that happen. She transformed her fears, of him and of the unknown, into determination to make an abuse free life for herself and her baby. And she did! United Way funding helps us to offer assistance to the residents of Columbia County that might not be able to make a connection with the domestic violence shelter in St. Helens.

Progress Center:

Progress Center hosted a booth at a recent community event in Clatskanie. During the event, a mother with several children approached the booth and had many questions and concerns about child development. The mother shared that she was concerned about her infant's development because the infant was not meeting developmental milestones like her other children. The mother was given a developmental checklist and her child was enrolled in the **Tracking Learning Children** program. The mother also received resources for services available in Columbia County. She was excited about having developmental information mailed to her home regularly so that she can monitor her child's development and took extra TLC enrollment forms to share with friends. United Way funds allowed us to provide TLC assistance to 130 children in Columbia County in 2017.

"Neighbors Helping Neighbors"

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