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Extraordinary Times Call For Extraordinary Generosity



United Way of Delaware County's funding partners are experiencing substantial increases in the demand for their services.

The needs in our community have increased substantially, far beyond the demands of previous years. This economic crisis is definitely taking a toll on families in Delaware County.

Now more than ever our friends, coworkers, neighbors, and family members are walking a financial tightrope, trapped between layoffs, foreclosures, and skyrocketing costs of living.

Now is the time for us to come together and help the people and partners hit hardest as a result of the current economy. Now is the time to LIVE UNITED.

GIVE: With the rising costs of living people are forced to make tough decisions - pay for rent or child care, food or utilities, medicine or transportation? Your gift to United Way of Delaware County supports local programs that meet critical needs. [DONATE NOW](#)

ADVOCATE: We are counting on you, our loyal supporters, to help spread the word about the tremendous needs in our community. [CLICK HERE](#)

VOLUNTEER: Now more than ever, Delaware County nonprofits need volunteers to help meet a new surge in

2009 Awards Luncheon and Annual Meeting

United Way of Delaware County 2009 Awards Luncheon and Annual Meeting has been scheduled for March 19th. Please watch your mail for the invitation to attend this great event where we will recognize volunteers and elect new board members and officers.

The Details:

Where:

Brookshire Banquet Facility

When:

Thursday, March 19, 2009

11:30am check-in.

*Program and meal to begin at
12:00pm - Concluding at 1:30pm*

Please come and join us as we begin another exciting year - we want to hear about how you plan to LIVE UNITED in 2009 - 2010!

How Do You Live United?

*A Volunteer Opportunity
Awaits!*

Big Brothers Big Sisters is seeking adult volunteers to be a friend and role model to deserving youth in Delaware County. There is currently a critical need for male mentors. This is a one year commitment and the enrollment process includes an orientation, in person interview, background

service demand. Get involved today! [CLICK HERE](#)

Community Impact Process Begins

It's that time of year again, and United Way of Delaware County is currently working with our Community Impact Teams to determine funding decisions. The teams are comprised of 37 volunteers who make funding recommendations to the United Way Board.

Teams consist of both veteran and rookie volunteers representing a diverse group of community members and all serve a three-year term. Part of the success of this community impact model is the fact that impact team volunteers are donors themselves, thus they have a vested interest.

"Volunteers have always played a key role in delivering social services throughout communities, and United Way's impact team volunteers are no exception," says Tracy Whited, United Way's community impact manager. "To witness the dedication of these community volunteers as they review the funding applications is humbling. They learn about our neighbors' greatest needs and collaborate to make critical funding recommendations - a duty no one takes lightly."

[Click here](#) to read more about the process. To learn more or volunteer, contact Tracy at (740)369-9618 or twhited@uwaydelaware.org.

Teaming up with Target at Christmas



United Way of Delaware County, and Target at Polaris Parkway joined forces to provide three area families with special Christmas trees on Tuesday, December 23. This is the 18th consecutive year Target has donated decorated holiday trees to local community agency partners and families in need.

"Target and United Way share the same goal of improving lives and it is an honor to deliver the trees to deserving families right here in our community. We truly value our relationship with the local Target on Polaris Parkway," said Laurie Cox, United Way of Delaware County campaign director.

"The United Way is more focused than ever in

check and references. If interested, please contact the Delaware County office at 740-369-2447 or email krobe@bbbscentralohio.org.

Lend Your Muscle. Reach Out A Hand To One And Influence the Condition of All.



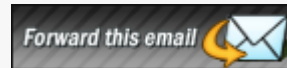
Our Work In Action

When it was discovered by friends that 16-year-old twins had been abandoned by their mother, they had already been out of their home for over six months. They were a year behind in school and social services could not identify any extended family.

A Court Appointed Special Advocate (Friends of CASA) was assigned, she rectified a dangerous placement for one twin, got them both on track with their studies and was able to bring them back together after two years apart. Both have expressed that they would have gone back to the streets without the help and caring of their CASA.

[Click here](#) to learn more about their story and the other programs and services that benefit from your contributions and support.

BE AN ADVOCATE:



You can LIVE UNITED by helping us spread the word. Imagine how many people we could reach if everyone forwards this to five people.

strengthening its efforts to advance the common good. Target's contributions have created a positive change for the people of Delaware County. With the power of the entire Target team, we strive to strengthen communities where we live and work and LIVE UNITED," states Kevin May, Target Polaris executive team leader.

[Click here](#) to read more about the United Way of Delaware County and Target partnership.



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