UNITED WAY Manifesto

Problems.
The ones most people don’t have the stomach for.
The ones nobody talks about at cocktail parties.
The ones that can’t be solved.

We go looking for them.

In unforgiving cities, desolate towns, and seemingly docile suburbs.

We find every dollar we can to address them.

But we are more than the fundraisers.

We are the hand raisers. The game changers.

The stop-talking-start-doing-take-on-the-impossible-task-masters.

United, we face substance use disorders.

United, we stand up for access to education.

United, we confront the struggles of the homeless.

United, we battle for veterans in Bristol County.

No matter the obstacles. No matter the odds.

We surround our community’s most critical problems.

And we fight.

We fight for our youth.

We fight for our seniors.

We fight for those with disabilities.

We fight for those who need a voice and those whose names we do not know.

United Way fights for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in our community.

Because change doesn’t happen alone.

Hope isn’t a one-man band.

And there’s no such thing as self-taught or self-made.

We have one life.

To live better, we must

LIVE UNITED

JOIN UNITED WAY

United Way of Greater Fall River as we fight for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in our community.
What’s our WIN?

- HEALTH: We expand access to affordable healthcare, healthy foods, and opportunities for physical activity. We’re helping to create healthier beginnings and healthier lives, physically, socially, emotionally, and mentally.
- FINANCIAL STABILITY: We provide access to training, education, and tools to improve lives. That includes helping individuals get credentialed to earn living-wage jobs and build a solid financial foundation for self sufficiency.
- EDUCATION: We help children achieve their potential, start school ready to succeed, and build critical reading skills to equip them for success. That includes equipping young adults with the tools, resources and confidence they need to graduate from high school ready for college or a career.

Our MEMBER AGENCIES receive allocations to support specific programs that align with United Way’s focus areas of HEALTH, EDUCATION and FINANCIAL STABILITY

**American Red Cross**
- Disaster Cycle Services Program — Immediate local assistance to individuals and families after a fire

**The Arc of Greater Fall River**
- Family Support and Advocacy Program — Educates parents/guardians on advocacy for their child
- Community Education Program — Educates students about inclusion and how to advocate for people of all abilities

**Boys & Girls Club of Fall River**
- Student Membership — Supports ongoing programs for local youth including tutoring, arts, computers, sports, and more

**Fall River YMCA**
- Afterschool Program — After school program for children who do not otherwise qualify for assistance
- BayCoast Educational Achievement Center — Encourages education and learning through volunteer-based programs

**Family Service Association**
- Behavioral Health Center — Supports clients with a lapse in insurance coverage to continue accessing services.
- Kids Academy — High quality childcare and educational programming for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers

**Greater Fall River RE-CREATION**
- Neighborhood Training Center — One-on-one education for those looking to complete their HiSET exam

**Kids Academy**
- Access to high-quality preschool services with developmentally appropriate curriculum

**People, Incorporated**
- United Partnerships — Collaboration with Resiliency Preparatory Academy to provide alternative education to at-risk students
- Community Supports Program — Access to outings and events for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities

**Diabetes Association**
- Improves the health and well-being of individuals with diabetes through education and disease management, including summer camp for children with diabetes. A program of People, Inc.

**Samaritans of Fall River/New Bedford, Inc.**
- Crisis Hotline — Confidently addresses the needs of individuals facing isolation, depression or thoughts of suicide

**SER-Jobs for Progress**
- Placement Program — Creates an individualized plan for success including employment training, HiSET and ESL classes

**SSTAR Women’s Center** — Provides a supportive community for women struggling with substance use disorders
- Family Healthcare Center — Primary care services for individuals, regardless of ability to pay

**StopPristone, Inc.**
- The Graduate Program — Provides extended mental health counselling, employment counseling and other supportive services

**AFFILIATE AGENCIES** receive funds through donor-specified designations

**Child & Family Services**
- Mental health services and family support programs

**Fall River Deaconess Home**
- Residential education and family support programs for young women ages 11-22

**Girl Scouts of Southeastern New England**
- Year-round leadership programming and summer camp for girls

**Greater Fall River Community Food Pantry**
- Food assistance to those in need in the Fall River community

**HealthFirst Family Care Center**
- Primary care services for homeless families

**S.T.A.R. (Students Taking Action for Recovery)**
- Provides a supportive community for individuals facing isolation, depression or thoughts of suicide

**Hospice Care**
- Medical care and support for terminally ill individuals and their families.

**Southeast Family Services**
- Emergency shelter, transitional assistance, and follow-up services for homeless families

**Veteran’s Association of Bristol County**
- Outreach center for veterans offering counseling, food pantry, hygiene items, office services, events, etc

Our Sisters’ Place
- Confidentially located emergency shelter and resources for battered women and their children

S.H.A.R.E Foundation
- Develops adaptive technology for non-verbal adults and children

South Coastal Counties Legal Services
- Legal assistance, advocacy, and representation in civil matters to eligible low-income residents

SMILES Mentoring
- Mentoring program for children at risk of dropping out of school. A program of People, Inc.

Southeast Visiting Nurse Association
- Home healthcare services and education

Hospice Care
- Palliative care and support terminal illness individuals and their families.

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By forging unlikely partnerships.
- By finding new solutions to old problems.
- By mobilizing the best resources.
- By inspiring individuals to join the fight against their community’s most daunting social crises.

We win when we LIVE UNITED.