



# A YEAR IN REVIEW

## 2017-2018

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## UNITED WAY MISSION

*To improve people's lives by mobilizing the caring power of Central Minnesota.*

## UNITED WAY POSITION

*United Way of Central Minnesota connects resources to accelerate community wide solutions.*

# A LETTER FROM BRIAN MYRES



**Brian Myres**  
Interim  
President & CEO

As the interim CEO of United Way of Central Minnesota, I bring a unique perspective to this year's annual report. In 2000, I was the United Way Campaign Chair and our theme that year was "Together, we can make a difference!" Now it is 18 years later and I cannot imagine what our community would be like without the dedicated volunteers that have shared their time with United Way, the donors who have given so generously and our non-profit partners that have delivered so effectively. The bottom line is we did make a difference then and we are making a difference now.

Today, the Imagination Library program has delivered over one million books to children in our community to help impact early learning and early literacy. Our United way has funded and delivered quality out of school time for thousands of children. Countless people facing homelessness were assisted with compassion and care through United way funded activities. Our United

Way partners have provided thousands of people with access to food. Financial stability has been achieved by many who are less fortunate than ourselves. By standing YOUNITED we have made our community stronger.

As we embark upon a new year with a new CEO, I am very excited about the future of United Way of Central Minnesota! Our school resource centers are having impact, our housing initiatives are moving forward, and there is a real sense of optimism about what is possible in our community.

I am proud to say that as a donor, a volunteer and now interim CEO, your United Way has delivered what it has promised and with this years theme of "YOUNITED we fight together, we win" we are taking difference making to a whole new level. Our team is ready to fight together with you to fight homelessness, fight hunger, fight illiteracy, fight poverty and fight for great futures for our youth.

Thank you for all you do to make our community a better place.

# A LETTER FROM PAT EDEBURN



**Pat Edeburn**  
'17/'18 Board Chair

Dynamic, Innovative, Relevant, and United are the some of the key words describing how we all worked together in our community over the past year. Our donors, volunteers, staff, and community agencies came together to honor our past, celebrate 50 years of community impact, and forge new partnerships in the Central Minnesota community.

In particular, we are excited about the impact of opening two United Way Neighborhood Resource Centers located within Discovery and Lincoln Elementary schools over the last 12 months. This new partnership with District 742 has deepened parent engagement, provided innovative summer school programming, drawn new resources to

the schools, and assisted individual families through periods of challenge or crisis. Our efforts have strong momentum heading into the next academic year. Our staff continues to connect individuals with opportunities to volunteer at agencies, we connect donors with critical needs, and we organize efforts to for efforts on hunger, homelessness, and poverty. We have recently begun to focus efforts on affordable housing opportunities in cooperation with CentraCare. These are just a few of the highlights of a strong year of impact and some foreshadowing for the coming year.

Thank you for coming together to serve our community! United together, you have helped us make this year both successful and impactful for all of us.




# COMMUNITY REPORT CARD

*Fiscal Year* **2017-2018**


*United Way of Central Minnesota is dedicated to create positive change in more than 30 local communities including all of Stearns and Benton counties as well as parts of Sherburne and Wright counties.*

## Access to Food




United Way and the community will **ensure that all people** have food to nourish themselves so that no one in Central Minnesota goes hungry.  
**49,027 children and adults** received food through meal programs and food shelves.

## Financial Stability




United Way and the community will **increase financial stability** and independence among lower-income or struggling households.  
**65,185 adults and their families** were connected with community resources that helped them stabilize their living conditions.

## Quality Out of School Time




United Way and the community will **work to make sure every school age youth** is engaged in ongoing experiences that build positive life skills and support from caring mentors.  
**22,773 school age children and youth** gained new life skills through involvement in quality youth programs.

## Early Learning/Early Literacy



United Way and the community will **ensure every young child**, birth through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, reaches their early learning and literacy potential.  
**4,428 young children** gained reading and learning skills to prepare them for the future.

## Homelessness



United Way and the community will **reduce the impact** of homelessness with a focus on youth and families with children.  
**7,317 individuals** were helped with resources that made it possible to prevent them from experiencing homelessness or shortening their time of being homeless.

# MARQUE'S STORY



**Marque first experienced the positivity at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Minnesota when he joined a friend to play basketball at age 8. At the time, it was a place where he could be active and stay out of trouble.**

Today, Marque looks back at his time at the clubs as a place where mentors truly cared about him and showed him that anything is possible.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Minnesota has provided hope and opportunity to tens of thousands of young people over the past forty years. Their programs and services promote and enhance the development of boys and girls by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, belonging and influence.

Marque is grateful for all the opportunities the clubs have given him, including meeting NBA players and visiting McNally Smith College, where he plans to attend. Marque believes that without the support of United Way, teenagers in our community would be lost.

"I was looking for a place to be myself, and the Boys and Girls Clubs were that place."



## RESULTS that matter.

# RANJI'S STORY

**For Ranji, supporting United Way for 25 years has been a personal journey.**

Ranji was working at Coborn's in 1991 when he was inspired to get involved. A speaker came in and told stories about the impact United Way has on the community. Those stories immediately brought back memories from his childhood when his own family had fallen on tough times.

Ranji's father lost his job and United Way supported his family. He remembers receiving food, clothing and toys at Christmas.

"This was my opportunity to give back to the community that gave me so much," said Ranji.

Ranji believes that everyone who is able should reach out and give because hard times can fall on anyone. Like the saying "what goes around, comes around," Ranji believes we should lean on each other.



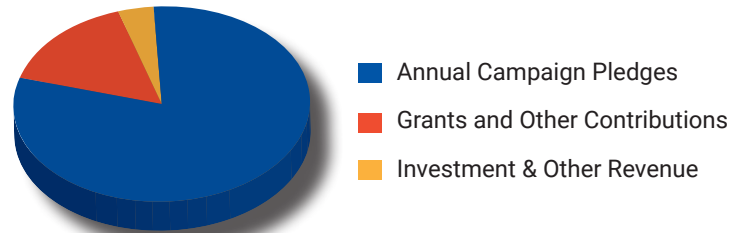
# 2017-2018 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

*(all numbers are unaudited)*

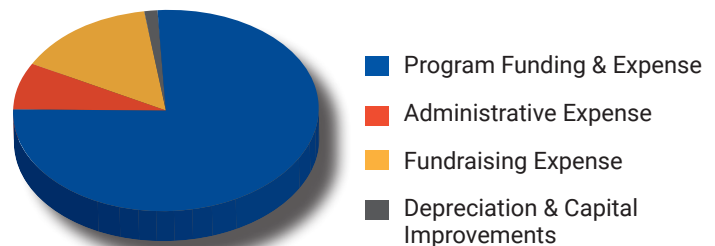
Annual Campaign Pledges	\$3,173,000
Grants and Other Contributions	611,000
Less Estimated Pledge Shrinkage	(118,000)
Gross Public Support & Revenue	\$3,666,000
Investment & Other Revenue	142,000
Transfer to Reserves	(195,000)
<b>Total Resources Available</b>	<b>\$3,613,000</b>

Program Funding & Expense	\$2,762,000
Administration Expense	276,000
Fundraising Expense	534,000
Depreciation & Capital Improvements	41,000
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>\$3,613,000</b>

Total Resources



Total Expenses



## LIVE UNITED

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## DAY OF CARING HIGHLIGHTS



### 2017 DAY OF CARING

650 volunteers

70 projects were completed around Central  
Minnesota at 29 local nonprofits - a cost savings  
of more than \$48,000.





# DAY OF ACTION HIGHLIGHTS



- 36 blankets were tied and given to the Neighborhood Resource Centers, Pathways 4 Youth and CentraCare Emergency Trauma Center



- More than 350 bags were assembled with travel size toiletries to be given to youth and families in need



- 3 groups marked about 175 storm drains and picked up about 9 bags of trash/debris in Downtown St. Cloud



- 10 volunteers learned the art of Plarning – creating sleeping mats out of plastic bags so individuals experiencing homelessness can stay dry and warm when sleeping on the ground

## GRANITE SOCIETY

Every year, the outpouring of compassion and generosity from thousands of people confirms a belief in United Way and the future of our community. Some donors have gone a step further by arranging a planned gift to United Way. Your gift will forever leave your mark on a community that has been such a big part of your life. United Way of Central Minnesota friends who make a planned gift will be recognized as a member of the United Way Granite Society. As a Granite Society member, you ensure a lasting legacy of support and sustainability. If United Way of Central Minnesota is already in your estate plan but you have not yet informed us, please let us know so we can welcome you to our Granite Society and express our gratitude for your generosity. Thank you to these United Way Granite Society members for their legacy gift:

Rick and Helga Bauerly  
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If United Way of Central Minnesota is already in your estate plan or to find out more information about how making a planned gift could benefit you and the community, please call United Way of Central Minnesota regarding Leadership and Planned Gifts, 320-252-0227.

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# LOYAL CONTRIBUTOR

A steadfast commitment to United Way reflects a passionate dedication to supporting the community. Those who have been donating to any United Way at any amount – for 10 years or more are recognized as United Way Loyal Contributors. If you have been investing in United Way for 10 years or more, please remember to indicate that on your pledge form or contact us.

## A LETTER FROM THE LIG CHAIRS



Congratulations to United Way for an incredible 50th year!

Last year, the Leaders in Giving Cabinet helped United Way celebrate 50 years. And there was much to applaud: new initiatives to support families with

Community Schools effort, expanded programs to nurture early literacy, a Young Professionals Group dedicated to encouraging and celebrating Young Leaders, and new community-wide partnerships to provide critical services to those in need. In short, United Way of Central Minnesota has spent fifty years helping Central Minnesotans thrive.

As we look forward, we know that philanthropic leaders are the bedrock for the work of the United Way of Central Minnesota. We're proud to head up this important cabinet. As a St. Cloud native, Eric benefited from the vibrant

community while growing up. Nine years ago, we chose to move back and raise our family here, with a promise that we would work to help everyone in Central Minnesota, regardless of circumstances, succeed.

As we begin our third year as the Leaders in Giving Cabinet Chairs, we are excited to play a role in helping everyone live YOUNITED. Advancing the common good in Central Minnesota helps us all. And we know there is work left to do, with new challenges awaiting us every day.

Thank you to our Leaders in Giving! The entire community benefits because of your willingness to support the initiatives, programs and people that make Central Minnesota a great place to live and work. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth and Eric Reisinger

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Bremer.....	14	Electrolux Home Products .....	4	Adolescent Healing/ Socialization of African American Males-LION Community .....	1
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Leighton Enterprises.....	7	Stearns County Offices.....	3	Benton Stearns Education District.....	1
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Central Minnesota		Mark's Wallcoating, Inc.....	1
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- Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Minnesota served more than 100,000 meals and snacks to local children who would otherwise go hungry.
- More than 3,900 individuals and families were provided resources to purchase a home or stay in their home creating additional financial stability.
- United Way connected more than 15,500 volunteers to meaningful opportunities, and they contributed over 40,000 hours towards the improvement of our community.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters provided mentoring to more than 600 children who didn't have a caring adult in their lives other than a parent.
- Financial assistance in the form of purchasing a home, starting a business and going back to school through the Tri-CAP FAIM program was provided to 542 individuals and families.



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Saturday, April 6, 2019  
Saturday, April 13, 2019

## 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Please join us for a unique, intimate dining experience with international cuisines to benefit Imagination Library!  
Your choice of different cuisines - 10 guests per cuisine!

Local chefs will prepare a first and second course, and you will travel to different homes in the area to dine.

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