

Be A Part of Our Impact-Causes We Fund



BIRTH THROUGH ADULT EDUCATION

Reading proficiency by third grade is one of the most insightful predictors of future academic and career success. In fourth grade, children switch from "learning to read" to "reading to learn."



My Very Own Book Drive: An annual community-wide book drive where over 8,000 books are donated and distributed to local children.

Reading Buddies: This program partners community volunteers with young student readers to help develop language and literacy skills.

Pen Pal Program: Volunteers are paired with elementary students to become a Pen Pal to foster positive connections. The program helps students practice the art of writing, increase literacy skills, and build positive relationships.

Literacy Kits: A "Literacy Kit" is comprised of a book and a game or activity designed to make reading interactive.

Summership Camp Scholarships: Provides up to 84 Summership scholarships for children who otherwise could not afford to go to a summer camp.

ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

Helping children and adults in our community thrive through an integrated approach to health wellness creating good habits for life.



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Medical Transportation Program: The 55+ RSVP Medical Transportation Program provides for seniors and disabled adults who have no other means of getting to medical appointments. Without this transportation, many would not access vitally needed medical services, especially in the rural areas of our communities.

BUILDING FINANCIAL STABILITY

Financial education and literacy aim to increase the ability to make decisions regarding money management.



Holiday Adopt – A – Family The Holiday Adopt-a-Family Program allows businesses, community members, groups and organizations to provide local families with food, necessity items and gifts during the holidays. Families are identified by service agencies, and they are experiencing extraordinary needs due to health issues, financial instability or other major circumstances. Adopters receive the family wish list with information about the family, clothing sizes and items identified by the family.

CONNECT Pop-Ups: Last summer's CONNECT pop-up events offered free support to local individuals and families. During pre-registration, individuals self-identified their most pressing needs then volunteers/UWJWC staff shared relevant information as well as made referrals to local non-profits for attendees.

2030 Community Assessment: United Way of Johnson & Washington Counties convenes the process for researching and assessing community conditions every five years and leads multi-sector goal setting every ten years. By developing strategies, recruiting resources, and requiring accountability to drive change, United Way focuses on delivering results by monitoring progress and change in community conditions.

