

United Way of Perry County

United Way



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FALL 2009

CALENDAR

August 1 - October 23
Annual Fundraising Drive

November 1
Youth Day of Caring

December
Holiday Helpers United

March
Campaign Celebration

April
Community Investment Day

Donuts at Dogwood

Small Business Blitz

Can Creations Food Drive

May
Spring Day of Caring

Letter Carrier Food Drive

July
Stuff the Bus School Supply
Drive

Volunteers are needed for all events. Please contact our office if you'd like to help.

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GIVE...ADVOCATE...VOLUNTEER

Live United. It's more than just a slogan. It's a message and a call to action. **GIVE...ADVOCATE...VOLUNTEER**

Our national challenge as a United Way is to make real, lasting change in our communities...to work for the common good by creating opportunities for a better life for all.

Because...when we reach out a hand to one we influence the condition of all.

To LIVE UNITED means to work together in our communities to provide the basic building blocks we all need and want

- A quality education that leads to
- A stable job with income that can support a family and
- Ensure good health

Whether it is through funding agencies, establishing new programs, or creating collaborations, we are working for the common good of Perry County by:

- Helping those in crisis move into a more stable life
- Encouraging and helping youth to live up to their potential and
- Improving the health of our community

We invite you to join us in LIVING UNITED to create a better condition for all in Perry County. This year will be especially important as we face continued economic uncertainty which will cause more people to struggle than ever before in our communities.

Local programs are being stretched to the limits to meet the need. If you can give a little or a lot, this is your opportunity to make an impact, and the United Way is here to make it easier for you. It takes everyone in the community working and giving together to create a brighter future.

This year we have a matching grant opportunity that will help us create a social service community resource center. The goal of this resource center is to bring agencies together in a common mission to help move people out of poverty, to build financial stability, get a better education, and ensure better health...to LIVE better.

Dolly Parton Imagination Library gives books to Perry Co. children

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library is a national literacy program that brings new books into the homes of children every month.

The United Way of Perry County is the local champion of this program and is partnering with the Perry County Junior Women to help raise funds and awareness of the program. DPIL mails free hardcover, age appropriate books to the child's home every month. The program is open to every child age 0-5 in the county.

Our goal is to reach 350 children in the first year. It costs \$30/child to bring this program to life in Perry County. Donors to the United Way's annual campaign may choose to designate their gifts to this program. Any designations will be put into the United Way Literacy Fund in the Perry County Community Foundation to help fund the program in perpetuity. Gifts given during the rest of the year will be used to fund the program for the current year.





2009 FUNDED PARTNERS

- American Red Cross
- Anderson Woods, Inc.
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Perry County
- Buffalo Trace Boy Scouts
- Crisis Connection
- Companion Care and Home Health-PCMH
- Girl Scouts of Raintree Council
- Martin's Cloak Food Pantry
- Perry County Council on Aging
- Perry County Even Start
- Perry Central Family Outreach
- Perry County 4-H
- Salvation Army
- SIRS - Bright Beginnings
- Visiting Nurse Association
- Widow's Barrel Food Pantry
- Agape By His Hands Feeding program
- Catholic Charities: Emergency Assistance and Shelter



Debbie Elder is our campaign chair this year



Power of Youth: Creating Changemakers

The Power of Youth will soon be evident in Perry County as the United Way of Perry County and the Perry County Community Foundation team up to bring a new and exciting program to our community. Perry County Power of Youth program will promote philanthropy among today's young people to prepare them to support their communities of tomorrow by giving their time, talent and treasure and teach them how to be changemakers in their community.

The Perry County Power of Youth Council will consist of Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors from all three area high schools who will have a chance to work together to improve their community. They will learn how to be philanthropic leaders for the future and how to incorporate the skills they learn into all aspects of their lives as valuable, caring citizens of our nation.

The new philanthropy education program for youth grew from a collaboration between the local United Way and Community Foundation. The program has an advisory committee of dedicated adults from the United Way, Perry County Community Foundation, youth serving agencies, and the community, who will plan and lead monthly sessions to educate the participants on philanthropy through Volunteerism,

Leadership Development, Marketing, Fundraising. The program will culminate in a Grantmaking activity to fund a local project which will be chosen by the Power of Youth Council.

The Perry County Community Foundation has established a nonpermanent fund to support the immediate grantmaking ability of the Youth Council and an endowed fund as a permanent resource to support the program.

Engaging youth in philanthropy prepares young people to be active, lifelong community citizens.



It is beneficial for both the youth and the community. Youth who volunteer just one hour a week are 50% less likely to abuse drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, or engage in destructive behaviors and youth who volunteer are more likely to do well in school, graduate, vote and be philanthropic.

If you would like more information about this program or how you can help the youth of our community, call Sally Houzanme at 812-547-3176 or e-mail sallyh@perrycommunityfoundation.org or Rebecca Fenn at 812-547-2577 or e-mail unitedwayperry@psci.net.

About the United Way of Perry County

Our Programs

Holiday Helpers United: Providing Christmas assistance to families in need.

Stuff the Bus: Coordinating back-to-school donations for children in need.

Perry County Food Coalition: Food pantries working together to feed the hungry.

Days of Caring: Creating opportunities for volunteers to help their community.

FamilyWise Prescription Discount Card: For families who are uninsured provides up to 20% savings on prescriptions.

Dolly Parton Imagination: Providing free books to Perry County children ages 0-5 yrs.

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Our Mission:

To provide leadership and resources to community organizations that are working to fulfill the health and human service needs of Perry County.