

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO GIVE

**\$10,200**  
Glen &  
Mary Jane Graber

**\$5,000-\$2,500**  
Jack G. Williams  
Alan & Vicki Bubalo  
Anonymous Giver  
Eric S. & Julie Bassler

**\$1,500-\$1,000**  
Robert C. & Bonnie Graham III  
Gerry A. & Ruth Frette  
Alice Simmons  
Nathan & Elizabeth A. Gabhart  
Justin L. & Sarah Browning  
Dr. Jon J. & Sue Clark  
Carolyn R. Jones  
Ken & Paula Jones  
Bill & Maria C. Killion  
Mary Memering  
Jim H. Norton  
Jim & Sue Pearson III  
Bruce A. & Katie Smith  
Beverly Summers, *through donor advised fund*

**\$999-\$500**  
Barbara S. Fyffe-Risch  
Stephen W. & Deb Sacksteder  
David & Gail Waller  
Jeannie Burks  
Jack L. & Sue Colbert  
C. Robert Gould  
Dr. Anthony E. Nonte  
Cory & Tara Parsons

Note: These are individual givers and not through employee company payroll giving.



A Legacy of Giving Back

Ken and Paula Jones have supported United Way of Daviess County since 1999 because they believe in giving back to the community they proudly call home. Their commitment began during Ken's more than 16 years as Plant Manager at Grain Processing Corporation (GPC), where he helped foster a culture of generosity through the company's annual United Way campaign. One memorable campaign in 2012 demonstrated that commitment in a big way. Ken challenged employees to exceed the previous year's campaign by pledging to shave his head if they reached \$14,000. The response was overwhelming. Employees rallied together, raising nearly \$18,000 through payroll giving and special events, with GPC's corporate match contributing an additional \$16,700. True to his word, Ken shaved his head, creating a campaign that employees still remember today. Even after retirement, Ken and Paula continue to support United Way, believing that investing locally creates lasting impact. "We have a strong commitment to give back to the community we call home. Giving to United Way is simple and easy, knowing the money is going to a good cause and stays right here in Daviess County." Their generosity and leadership are a reminder that when individuals inspire others to give, the impact reaches far beyond a single donation and helps strengthen our entire community.

Ken Jones and his wife, Paula



2nd Annual Golf Scramble



Celebrating the completion of DSI's Training & Hospitality Center



31st Annual Day of Caring

Decades of Partnership. Generations of Impact.

For decades, DSI has been a dedicated supporter of United Way's Annual Campaign, demonstrating that investing in our community is more than a tradition—it is a shared commitment to improving lives. Through the leadership of past and present staff, including a former CEO who championed a culture of giving for nearly 30 years, DSI has inspired employees to support United Way and the work that strengthens Daviess County. That commitment extends well beyond the Annual Campaign. DSI is an active partner in Day of Caring, the Golf Scramble, and collaborative initiatives that create lasting impact. Together, we celebrated the opening of DSI's Hospitality Training Center, a project made possible through funding opportunities secured by United Way of Daviess County, and we look forward to continuing our partnership through future initiatives that expand opportunities for individuals and families across our community. We are grateful for DSI's longstanding partnership and unwavering commitment to building a stronger, more inclusive community where every person is valued, supported, and given the opportunity to thrive.

Sherri Tredway  
Development Director  
DSI Services



DAY OF CARING



Day of Caring 2025 was a huge success! Over 600 volunteers showed up and gave their time, contributing more than \$92,300 in volunteer labor hours to help improve our community. Without the dedication of these volunteers, many of our local agencies and civic organizations wouldn't have the resources to complete these much-needed projects. Thank you to our donors, volunteers, business and agency partners, board members, sponsors, and community supporters. Together, we are building a stronger Daviess County. Thank you for investing in our community and making lasting change possible.

Thank you to everyone who participated and made a difference!

Growing & Recognizing Community Leaders



Serving youth through the Daviess County CEO Program, mentoring and presenting for nine years.



Making a Difference Award! Zella Taylor presents the 2025 Making a Difference Award to Amber Warden. Sponsors: Chris Dunahee, Walmart; and DeWayne Shake, Shake Broadcasting.

ANNUAL REPORT

Mission Statement:

"To improve lives by mobilizing the caring power in Daviess County."

Vision Statement:

"United Way of Daviess County envisions a community where lifting others up is common practice to achieve education, financial stability, and healthier lives."

2025/26

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**2026 Board of Directors:** Holly Horrall, Board Chairman; Haley Matteson, Board Vice Chairman; Cody Osmon, Treasurer; Marilyn McCullough; Shanon O'Toole; Laura Hays; Haley Lengacher; Steve Walden; Lauren Milton; Heather Stone; Sara Welsh; Carole Smith; Sarah Carpenter



*Holly Horrall*  
Board Chairman 2026

*"The true strength of Daviess County is not found in any one organization, but in neighbors helping neighbors. Through the generosity of our donors, the dedication of our volunteers, and the commitment of our community partners, United Way continues to create meaningful change and brighter futures for those we serve. Serving is deeply rewarding because it allows me to be part of something bigger than myself. Together, we are making an impact that reaches far beyond today."*

**CONNECTING NEEDS WITH OPPORTUNITY: A MESSAGE FROM CEO ZELLA TAYLOR**

We remain committed to identifying community needs, bringing partners together, and securing resources that create meaningful, lasting impact. Over the past five years, we have invested more than **\$1.5 million** in our community through local allocations, grant funding, volunteer service, capital initiatives, and strategic partnerships that strengthen Daviess County. Through our membership with Indiana United Ways, we continue to access funding opportunities that strengthen local programs and expand services for local residents.

This past year marked the completion of two Capital Initiative projects totaling **\$271,200** that will benefit our community for years to come. RISE Recovery completed renovations to better serve individuals on their recovery journey, while DSI opened its Hospitality Training Center, creating new opportunities for workforce development and independent living skills. We also partnered with Daviess Community Hospital and RISE Recovery to secure additional grant funding, providing **\$29,740** to support the Perinatal Pathways Program and **\$30,000** to support RISE Recovery, promoting healthier beginnings, recovery, and long-term stability for local residents.

More recently, we partnered with local organizations to provide more than **\$23,000** through our Community Support Grant Program, helping address essential needs including housing, transportation, and meals for seniors. We also secured the UnitedIN26 grant, bringing nearly **\$14,000** into our community to launch a coordinated housing and wraparound services initiative through Hope's Voice and community partners, helping ALICE households and individuals fleeing domestic violence rebuild stability through housing, education, job training, and other supportive services as they work toward long-term self-sufficiency.

In addition, we received a **\$5,000** grant from Glick Philanthropies to expand our Safety & Awareness Program with a wellness initiative focused on suicide prevention and mental wellness among older adults. Supporting a healthier community remains one of our core priorities, and we will continue expanding opportunities to educate residents, share valuable resources, and promote prevention and wellness at every stage of life.

Our local United Way serves as more than a fundraiser. We identify needs, connect partners, leverage our membership with Indiana United Ways to bring additional resources into our community, and work to ensure local residents have access to programs and services that might otherwise never reach our area. One hundred percent of your contribution stays local, helping improve lives right here at home. If you're looking for a way to make a lasting impact, consider leaving a legacy gift through an endowment, trust, or estate plan so your generosity continues supporting our community for generations to come. Together, we are building a stronger organization that will continue serving our community for years to come.



*Zella Taylor*  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & CEO



*Suzette Ebbinga*  
PROGRAM & OPERATIONS ASSISTANT



*Haley Matteson*  
VICE CHAIR



*Cody Osmon*  
TREASURER



**2025 Executive Awards:**  
*Photo features, Carole Smith, Board Chairman; Holly Horrall, Vice Board Chairman; Lauren Milton, Treasurer; and Haley Matteson, Campaign Chair*



***Our 2nd Annual Golf Scramble at the Washington Country Club was a great success, bringing together sponsors, golfers, and volunteers to raise more than \$11,000 in cash and in-kind contributions in support of United Way's Annual Campaign.***



*Our business coordinator luncheon meeting*



Haley Matteson, 2025 United Way Campaign Chair, highlights the impact of local giving during UWDC's 2nd Annual Golf Scramble.



Mayor Rhoads shows his support by displaying our Campaign 2025 sign and leading the City of Washington's employee campaign, raising more than \$5,500



Daviess Community Hospital staff presented United Way of Daviess County with their \$5,000 corporate contribution for Campaign 2025



Perdue Farms' staff presented United Way of Daviess County with their Campaign 2025 employee contributions and the Arthur W. Perdue corporate match, raising \$19,500



Board Chair 2025, Carole Smith, speaking at GPC's Campaign Kickoff, where employee giving and the corporate match raised \$45,000



*Campaign kickoff at Scoops – Special thanks to the Basslers & Shake Broadcasting for their support during our annual kickoff!*

**IMPACT WORK**



DSI Hospitality Training Center – Capital Initiative Funding for DSI's Hospitality Training Center – \$75,000



RISE Recovery Check Presentation – Peer Recovery Coaches and temporary housing solutions – \$30,000



Perinatal Pathways Check Presentation – Supporting healthy pregnancies and improved birth outcomes through Daviess Community Hospital's Perinatal Pathways Program – \$29,740



Safety & Awareness Presentations & Community Health Fairs Providing education and resources for the proper storage and disposal of medications and sharps. 100% of participants found the sessions to be helpful and valuable. This United Way initiative continues to expand through support from Glick Philanthropies Foundation and Amazon's in-kind contributions.



RISE Recovery Ribbon Cutting– Capital Initiative Funding for the renovation of RISE Recovery's facility – \$196,200

**OUR IMPACT AREAS**

United Way of Davies County is mobilizing people and resources to create positive, lasting change in the areas that matter most.



**YOUTH OPPORTUNITY**

Creating pathways for children and youth to succeed through education, mentoring, and family support.



**HEALTHY COMMUNITY**

Improving health, safety, and well-being through prevention, access to care, and essential resources.



**FINANCIAL SECURITY**

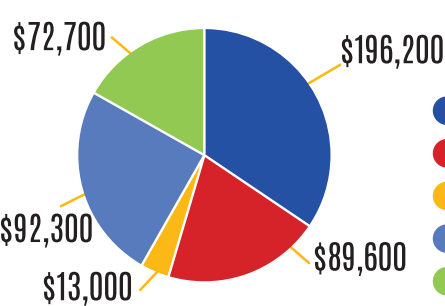
Helping individuals and families achieve stability through housing, employment, education, and financial independence.



**COMMUNITY RESILIENCY**

Strengthening our community through collaboration, volunteerism, disaster response, and long-term recovery efforts.

**Campaign 2025 funded partners: Junior Achievement, Four Rivers/DSI, Generations/Meals on Wheels, Girl Scouts, Real Recovery, Red Cross, RSVP, Senior and Family Services, Little Warrior Wishes, Youth First**



**5 YEAR COMMUNITY INVESTMENT: \$1.5 MILLION**

**2025 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT**

**\$463,800 Returned to Daviess County**

- Capital Grant Initiative Grant through Indiana United Ways
- Sponsors and Grants
- Day of Caring Expense
- Day of Caring Labor Expense Hours
- Allocations & Designations

Independent financial review provided by Geist CPA Firm