



GIVE. WHERE. YOU. LIVE.

GET INVOLVED

HOW YOU CAN LIVE UNITED

GIVE

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www.UnitedWayBemidji.org
(click DONATE)

ADVOCATE

United Way hosts a variety of Affinity Groups to engage community-minded individuals in opportunities to network, raise funds, advocate, and **CREATE CHANGE** within our community. (see groups listed below)

VOLUNTEER

Lend your time and talents alongside 1,000 other local volunteers to transform lives in our community!
www.VolunteerBemidji.org

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UNITED WAY AFFINITY GROUPS

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LEAD. IMPACT. NETWORK. CHANGE.

STUDENT
UNITED WAY



WHAT'S NEXT?

WHO IS ALICE?



ASSET LIMITED **INCOME CONSTRAINED** **EMPLOYED**

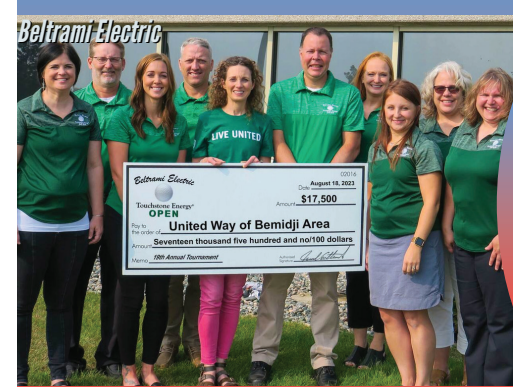
As we prepare for United Way's upcoming annual campaign, our focus is on ALICE, United Way's acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed. ALICE represents hardworking individuals and families who often struggle to make ends meet, living just above the poverty line. We are committed to ensuring ALICE families have the resources and opportunities they need to thrive.
Visit www.UnitedForAlice.org

UNITED WAY FOREVER FUND



The Forever Fund was created to serve as the backbone of our community, by providing long-term funding to our local United Way. This fund serves two purposes, 1) Emergency community funding, when needed; and 2) Support funding for United Way to ensure our impact is sustainable over time.
Donors can make a gift that keeps giving for generations to come.
Visit www.UnitedWayBemidji.org/Forever-Fund

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Mission: To transform lives in our community by uniting people and organizations to maximize donor impact.

Credo: Together we can do more than any one of us can do alone.

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Community Member

WHEN YOU GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE...

OUR PROVEN PROCESS



United Way

2024-2025 PARTNER AGENCIES

BASIC NEEDS		HEALTH	EDUCATION
<div><div>ANISHINABE LEGAL SERVICES</div></div>	<div><div>EVERGREEN YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES</div></div>	<div><div>ADULT DAY SERVICES</div></div>	<div><div>BEMIDJI EARLY CHILDHOOD COLLABORATIVE</div></div>
<div><div>BEMIDJI COMMUNITY FOOD SHELF</div></div>	<div><div>LSS MEALS</div></div>	<div><div>BEMIDJI SENIOR CENTER</div></div>	<div><div>BEMIDJI UNIFIED SPECIAL OLYMPICS</div></div>
<div><div>BEMIDJI COMMUNITY TABLE</div></div>	<div><div>NORTH COUNTRY FOOD BANK</div></div>	<div><div>HOPE HOUSE</div></div>	<div><div>BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BEMIDJI AREA</div></div>
<div><div>BI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS</div></div>	<div><div>NORTHWOODS BATTERED WOMEN'S SHELTER</div></div>	<div><div>NORTHWOODS CAREGIVERS</div></div>	<div><div>NORTHERN LIGHTS COUNCIL</div></div>
<div><div>CHURCHES UNITED</div></div>	<div><div>PEOPLE'S CHURCH</div></div>	<div><div>SUPPORT WITHIN REACH</div></div>	<div><div>READING CORPS SERVEMINNESOTA</div></div>
<div><div>COMMUNITY RESOURCE CONNECTIONS</div></div>	<div><div>ST. VINCENT DE PAUL</div></div>	<div><div>VILLAGE OF HOPE</div></div>	



HOW WE HELP

OUR PARTNER AGENCIES

GRANT FUNDING

The United Way Community Campaign raises funds for local non-profits that work on Basic Needs, Health, & Education. When you donate to United Way, 99% of your contribution stays local, creating real, positive change. Your gift is entrusted into the capable hands of trained community volunteers, the Community Investment Cabinet, who work together to carefully invest funds into local programs and initiatives that achieve the greatest impact and create opportunities for a better life.

Additional funding the United Way of Bemidji Area facilitates include: Community Response Funding, Child Abuse Prevention Funding, Suicide Prevention Funding, Beltrami County Housing Trust Fund, and Beltrami County Emergency Food & Shelter Grant Funding.

BEYOND THE FUNDING

The United Way provides support with marketing, strategic planning, grant writing, fundraising, volunteer connections, advocacy, and problem solving to help our local non-profit partner agencies serve more people. Visit our website to learn more.

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

United Way works with our Partner Agencies to solve collaborative issues the agencies are facing. United Way staff facilitate and serve on various boards, committees and community initiative groups to help solve community problems and support more local families. Our recent initiatives include the Housing Trust Fund and Ride United.



The Housing Trust Fund, in partnership with Beltrami County, works to tackle the housing crisis, improving housing availability, affordability, and accessibility in our community. This fund will support projects directly benefiting individuals and families in need of stable housing.



Ride United, is being piloted in partnership with Evergreen Youth & Family Services and Lyft, closes transportation gaps, ensuring everyone can access employment, medical care, healthy food, and essential items, regardless of their circumstances. By providing reliable transportation options, Ride United helps individuals overcome barriers to a better quality of life.

OUR PROGRAMS



BACKPACK BUDDIES

Providing children in need with food packs on weekends and holiday breaks.



BEYOND THE FUNDING

Providing in-kind support to help our local non-profit partner agencies serve more people.



CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

Providing funds for programming to support local children and families.



COATS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Distributing winter items to keep families warm and dry in the winter.



HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR KIDS

Spreading joy during the holiday season by providing gifts to children in need.



IMAGINATION LIBRARY

Providing free books to children, monthly, from birth to age five, preparing them for kindergarten.



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Equipping students with the tools they need to succeed academically.



THANKSGIVING MEALS

Ensuring families in our community can enjoy Thanksgiving dinner together.



VOLUNTEER BEMIDJI WEBSITE

Connecting volunteers with opportunities to give back and make a difference.



WHEELS TO WORK

Assisting individuals in need with vehicle repair for transportation to work, promoting self-sufficiency.