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When you "Give Where You Live" and support United Way of Northwestern Minnesota, you not only invest in UWEMN’s programs, but also our partner agencies. Your contribution stays local and impacts thousands right here in our communities.

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ARC Range
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Mesabi Family YMCA
Northwoods Partners
Project Care Free Clinic

STABILIZING FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS

Advocates for Family Peace
American Red Cross
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LS5 Family Resource Center
Range Transitional Housing
Salvation Army - Hibbing
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Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank
Sexual Assault Program of Northern St. Louis County
Support Within Reach
United Way

During the 2018-2019 campaign year, United Way of Northwestern Minnesota events raised over $130,832 to benefit local families!

We hope you’ll join us in the 2019-2020 campaign year:
- Bucks for Backpacks Raffle - Oct 7
- United Way Funsspiel - Dec 7
- Power of the Purse - Jan 30
- Annual Campaign Celebration - March 26
- Flavor of the North - April 23
- United for Veterans Cash Raffle - May 13
- Bull Ride for the Brave - May 15

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We donate to United Way of Northwestern Minnesota because of the satisfaction we get from supporting local programs designed to enhance the lives of local people.

Hollie and I have supported the United Way of Northeastern Minnesota for many years, ever since I was hired by Hibbing Taconite Company back in late 2004. Now, through our current employer, Glacier Park Iron One Properties LLC, we continue this tradition of giving.

I was first informed of the good work and services UWEMN brings to the surrounding communities by some of my co-workers, who were, themselves supporters of UWEMN. They encouraged us to support this worthy cause, and we did, knowing that if it wasn’t for us we could do something different the next go-around.

We appreciate that supporting UWEMN has been so easy and painless. That if we want, we can choose where our contributions are allocated — but we don’t necessarily need to do so. That some level of screening is performed, and funding isn’t blindly routed to any flavor-of-the-month organization seeking assistance. We appreciate the fact that our donations stay in Northwestern Minnesota and support local programs designed to feed, house, educate, and provide healthcare services to our neighbors both young and old. We appreciate the professionalism of the UWEMN staff.

For us, we don’t have just one or two agency partners that are particularly important to us. We believe that in order for a person to thrive, certain basic needs must be met, and because everyone’s needs are different, there is no one cookie cutter solution that can address every circumstance or situation. We find the variety of support the partner agencies provide very appealing, and we like that we can help a variety of causes with one easy contribution to our local United Way.

Matt Walto
2019 UWNEMN PROGRAMMING

• Bright Beginnings
   UWNEMN is working to enhance the quality and accessibility of child care across our region. Localized trainings and incentives to become quality rated are offered to providers. UWNEMN also gives existing and new providers the opportunity to apply for funding to physically expand their premises to serve more children.

• Comforts of Home
   Several retail stores donate their unsold product throughout the year to UWNEMN. We then make this product available to individuals and families who have experienced a fire or crisis, as our regional agencies at no cost. UWNEMN is accepting donations of new goods from other businesses for this program as well.

• Smiles United
   A preventative and restorative dental care program that provides teeth cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, restorative care, and oral health education to under or uninsured children in our local schools. This program now continues throughout the summer months in the UWNEMN building.

• United for Veterans
   UWNEMN is collaborating with local veterans and community stakeholders to increase supportive services for veterans and their families on the Iron Range. Recently, UWNEMN partnered with MACY to open a transitional home with supportive programming for local veterans who are homeless or facing homelessness. Additionally, United for Veterans manages a veterans’ crisis fund, created and distributed a local Military Connections Guide, hosts annual retreats, and provides free confidential therapy sessions.

• Buddy Backpacks
   Food-insecure children most at risk of weekend hunger in our area schools are enrolled in this program and receive a backpack full of nutritious, child-friendly, and non-perishable food each Friday or holiday break before they head home from school.

Meet Up and Chow Down
A free summer lunch program for children provided by UWNEMN. All children ages 1-18 were eligible to receive free lunches in Chisholm, Ely, Hibbing, Nashwauk, MI, Iron and Virginia during the summer of 2019.

• Dolly Parton Imagination Library
   An early literacy program sponsored locally by UWNEMN that delivers monthly age-appropriate books to children birth to age five for FREE! There are no income guidelines to this program. Sign your child up today!

The Iron Range, The Arrowhead, The Great Northwoods. No matter how YOU refer to our region, YOU are part of what makes Northeastern Minnesota a special place to live, work, and play, and the United Way of Northeastern Minnesota (UWNEMN) is proud to serve YOU.

United Ways around the world are individually operated which means UWNEMN has the ability to choose and fund programs that make the most positive impacts on our LOCAL communities. This means contributions to the UWNEMN stay RIGHT HERE so the UWNEMN is able to change programs and provide services that mean the most to YOU.

Our local United Way – in fact, our entire REGION – depends on YOU to make us strong. YOUR support of UWNEMN and partner agencies’ initiatives, attendance of UWNEMN events, and input on community projects are critical to the success of our organization and the health and happiness of YOUR neighbors!

“At Minnesota Twist Drill, we pride ourselves on producing Minnesota-made products because we know the impact that has on supporting local families. In that same way, our employees are proud to ‘give where they live’ and support United Way of Northeastern Minnesota because we know those dollars stay local and directly benefit iron Rangers.”
— Paul Janssen, Minnesota Twist Drill

“We attended our first UWNEMN Women Veterans Retreat May 3-5, 2019. The experience was life-changing for us. From the minute we arrived, we felt like we had known all of the women our entire lives. We learned, we laughed, we cried, and most of all, we made lifelong friendships. We are grateful to the United Way and all of the donors who support the NEMN Women Veterans group.”
— Jennifer Reinholt and Stacy Wesley

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