

United Way events are held each year to raise awareness and generate additional funds for our initiatives. Visit the United Way website or join our Facebook page to stay updated on our events throughout the year.

United Way's events raised over
\$192,200
last year.



DELTA/MDN Funspiel for United Way



Power of the Purse



Ride the Range



Rampage at the Ridge



UW Annual Campaign Celebration



Flavor of the North



Rampage at the Ridge

2016 Agency Partners

United Way of Northeastern MN is working to change community conditions by engaging partners to solve complex issues that one single organization could not do alone.

Your support helps us create great results by investing in local programs and services that can transform our communities.

Change someone's story for the better today.

HELPING CHILDREN SUCCEED

Arrowhead Center	218-749-2877 x 32
Boys & Girls Club of the Northland	218-727-1549
Camp Chicagami	218-744-4683
Ely Community Resource	218-365-5254
Foster Grandparent Program	715-394-5384
Hibbing Kinship Mentoring Program	218-254-2746
Range Mental Health Center – LEAP Program	218-749-2881 x 1218
Volunteers In Education (VINE)	218-290-5175
Voyageur Area Boy Scouts	218-729-5811

EMPOWERING HEALTHY LIVES

Care Partners	218-404-1411
East Range Developmental Achievement Center	218-744-5130
Fairview Range Home Care and Hospice	218-262-6982
Floodwood Services and Training	218-476-2230
Mesabi Family YMCA	218-749-8020
Northwoods Partners	218-365-8019
Project Care Free Clinic	218-263-8734
Range Respite	218-749-5051
The ARC Range	218-744-1251

STABILIZING FAMILIES & INDIVIDUALS

Advocates for Family Peace	218-326-0388
American Red Cross	218-722-0071
Elder Services Network	218-735-8637
Food Shelves Area Wide	
LSS Family Resource Center	218-741-3433
Range Transitional Housing	218-741-9628
Range Mental Health Center - Homeless Youth Program	218-749-2881
Salvation Army/Hibbing	218-263-5096
Salvation Army/Virginia	218-741-1889
Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank	218-727-5653
Sexual Assault Program of Northern St. Louis County	218-749-4725
Support Within Reach	218-326-5008
Twelfth Step House	218-749-4328
United Way 211	211 / 800-543-7709



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What's your story?



We invite you to join us this year!
For a list of 2016/17 United Way events, visit:
www.unitedwaynemn.org/events

Email us with questions at info@unitedwaynemn.org



Bruce Kingsley's United Way Story

My United Way story begins at the end of a midnight shift while listening to a UW presentation and groggily signing a payroll deduction form. Since signing that form, I learned that my wife and I had adopted our daughters from an organization that United Way funds! It all came full circle for me at that point and I was all in! I have participated in United Way's Arctic Splash every year (raising \$2,500 the first year alone!), volunteer my time during the fund distribution process (learning the money really does stay here!), serve on the UWNEMN Board of Directors (currently Board President) and continue to share my United Way story and how United Way touches so many lives and makes a difference right here in our communities. #fullcircle



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.



Barb Dobson's United Way Story

I volunteered at EVERY Buddy Backpack food packing session! I feel good knowing that my time has helped feed over 800 children during the school year! #volunteerunited



Meet Up and Chow Down

United Way piloted this program in Chisholm in 2016 and provided free lunch to children ages one to 18 Monday – Thursday all summer through a partnership with Range Center. United Way plans to expand this program to other communities in 2017.

UNITED WAY INITIATIVES

In addition to providing support for local agencies, United Way of Northeastern MN also provides direct-assistance programming and works to fill service gaps in our region. Through our community impact initiatives, we work to improve education, financial stability and promote healthy lives right here on the Iron Range.



Dolly Parton Imagination Library

An early literacy program sponsored locally by United Way that delivers monthly age appropriate books to children ages birth to five for FREE! There are no income guidelines to this program. Since the inception in 2008, over 6,200 children have benefited from the program and received over 201,000 books. Sign your child up today!

Smiles Across Minnesota

A preventative and restorative mobile dental care program that provides teeth cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, restorative care and oral health education to under or uninsured children in our schools. Annually, 1,350 children receive dental services in our service territory.

Wild About Reading

United Way free literacy events which bring the Imagination Library to life through activities that celebrate the joy of reading and encourage family participation.



United for Veterans

United Way is collaborating with local veterans and community stakeholders to increase supportive services for veterans and their families on the Iron Range. Accomplishments include establishing a veterans crisis fund, updating and funding a local Military Connections Guide, providing social activities, forming a partnership with a local therapist to provide free confidential therapy sessions, and creating an on-campus veterans center at Hibbing Community College.



Bright Beginnings

United Way is working to enhance the quality and accessibility of child care across the region. Local trainings and incentives to become quality rated are currently being offered to providers. United Way also gives existing and new providers the opportunity to apply for funding to physically expand their premises to serve more children.



The Ramponi Family's United Way Story

After a devastating house fire that claimed the lives of our four "fur babies", we were left with a lot of grief and nothing of our own. After being referred to United Way, we saw some hope. Through United Way's Good360 program, we received pillows, sheets, blankets and towels along with a gift card through United Way's United for Veterans crisis fund for other necessities because we are a military family. This was the start to our family moving forward. Once we found a short-term rental house, we were able to pick out additional needed household items from Good360. We are now in the process of rebuilding our home; we have received building supplies and odds and ends through Good360. This has helped us immensely with keeping our building costs down. We can't thank the United Way enough for the support shown to us at our time of need! ~Jennifer Ramponi #gaveushope



Good360

Bed Bath & Beyond, Home Depot and Maurices donate their unsold product throughout the year to United Way. In turn, we make this product available to individuals and families experiencing a fire or crisis, as well as, offer the product to our agencies at no cost. Since October 2014, over \$231, 300 worth of household items were distributed to over 575 individuals in need and over 30 local agencies.



211

United Way has collaborated with other partners in Minnesota to bring 211, a resource and referral helpline that provides callers with one-stop vital information.