

# 2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2022 — JUNE 30, 2023

## LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

United Way of DeKalb County could not do what we do without our volunteers, donors, and the community. When I was hired in April 2020, I had one goal in mind, and that was to do everything in our abilities to take care of the needs of our community. Each fiscal year brings new challenges, but the end goal remains the same. United Way of DeKalb County continues to make an impact as we fight together for the health, education and financial stability for everybody in DeKalb County. Change doesn't happen alone, so I invite you to join the fight and continue to make a difference in the lives of those who live in DeKalb County. Together we continue to LIVE UNITED! Tyler Cleverly — Executive Director

## DAY OF CARING



Day of Caring 2023 was held on Friday, June 23rd. The day started with our annual kickoff breakfast that had 525 people in attendance. Having a room full of people looking to make an impact on DeKalb County is an amazing sight.

Over 750 volunteers signed up to participate in Day of Caring 2023. The volunteers completed 69 projects. The impact this day has on our county goes much further than the number might seem like. Having volunteers take time out of their day to serve their neighbors in need is an amazing thing to witness. We are looking forward to next year's Day of Caring on June 28, 2024!

## EDUCATION, HEALTH, INCOME, BASIC NEEDS

Each year the United Way of DeKalb County supports agencies so that children are prepared for success in school, families may achieve and sustain financial stability, individuals can access quality healthcare, and all have enough food, shelter, and clothing as they strive for a better life. \$402,679 in grants were awarded to agencies during 2022-2023, which included:

Anthony Wayne Area Council Boy Scouts of America  
Butler Youth Evangelical Association  
Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana  
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend  
Children First Center  
DeKalb County Central United School District  
Garrett-Keyser-Butler Community School District  
Image of Hope Ranch  
Inspiration Ministries  
Judith A. Morrill Recreation Center  
Junior Achievement serving DeKalb County  
Lighthouse Montessori Education Center  
McMillen Health  
Serenity House, Inc.  
St. Martin's Healthcare, Inc.  
Warm a Heart Community Outreach, Inc.  
YMCA of DeKalb County, Inc.  
YWCA Northeast Indiana, Inc.



## COMMUNITY IMPACT FUNDING

In July 2020, the United Way of DeKalb County Board of Directors decided to shift the Community Impact Grants to focus on the ALICE population (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed). The shift came after a year long series of Community Conversations in 2019. The Board of Directors and Staff met with the community and asked them what they needed. During these conversations, community members were able to express concerns, share successes, and have open discussions on how to create more community impact. The shift will allow greater impact, while addressing the greatest immediate needs, while also looking for long term solutions to the issues that the community will face in the future to make a lasting impact!

## POWER OF THE PURSE

Power of the Purse 2023 was held on Friday, April 21st. The event was held at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum. Proceeds from this annual philanthropic event supports our Community Impact grants for Women and Children. 336 guests were in attendance and 57 purses were raffled off. With the help of our 23 sponsors, almost \$34,000 was raised in proceeds from the event that will continue to help support women and children in DeKalb County. The 2024 event is scheduled for April 19th.



## ALICE IN DEKALB COUNTY



**ALICE** is an acronym for **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed - households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for DeKalb County (the ALICE Threshold). Households below the ALICE Threshold - ALICE households plus those in poverty - can't afford the essentials. These households represents the growing number of families who are unable to afford the basic housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and technology. These workers often struggle to keep their own households from financial ruin, while keeping our local community running. In 2019, 5,462 households in DeKalb County were below

the ALICE Threshold; in 2022 this number changed to 5,758 (a 5% change). In 2022, household costs in DeKalb County were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$12,880 for a single adult and \$26,500 for a family of four. DeKalb County - we are in this together - LIVE UNITED!

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## 2022-2023 OPERATING BUDGET

### Revenue

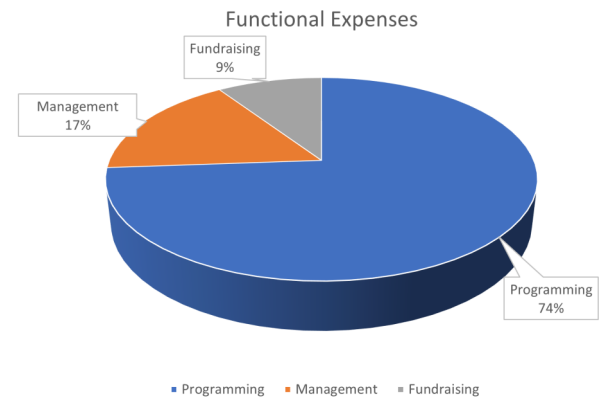
Contributions and Grants	\$602,544
Program Service	\$33,998
Investment Income	\$8,823
Capital gain/loss	\$36,002
Other Revenue	\$51,243
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$732,610</b>

### Expenses

Total Program Services	\$569,977
Management and General	\$129,668
Fundraising	\$72,304
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$771,949</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$1,331,392</b>
Total Liabilities	(\$39,339)
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$1,292,053</b>

## 2022-2023 FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

<b>Programming</b>	<b>\$569,977</b>
<b>Management</b>	<b>\$129,668</b>
<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>\$72,304</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$771,949</b>



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