

Mobilize Resources
Strengthen Communities
Change Lives

May 2023



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance - Texas A&M Celebrates an Excellent Tax Season

The partnership and collaboration between VITA and the Texas A&M University- College of Business Administration (TAMU CT) has indeed proven to be a game changer in supporting the community by delivering quality tax assistance.

It has showcased the importance of community engagement and the benefits of collaboration between educational institutions and community organizations.

By volunteering with the VITA Program, TAMU -CT Accounting students had the chance to apply experiential learning while giving back to the community.

The students helped individuals and families navigate the tax filing process, ensured they claim eligible tax credits and deductions, and maximized their refunds.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) IRS Certified Letters Impact Intern Futures

The United Way of Central Texas would like to spotlight on two remarkable interns who have made a tremendous impact in the UWCT office. These outstanding individuals selflessly dedicated their time to support the VITA program, going above and beyond to assist during the tax season. Their hard work and dedication have not gone unnoticed.

In recognition of their exceptional service, they were awarded IRS-signed letters acknowledging their invaluable contributions.

These letters serve as a testament to their commitment as they embark on their professional journeys. The experience and certification they gained through their volunteer work will undoubtedly serve as a powerful addition to their resumes, fueling their career paths. United Way of Central Texas couldn't be more proud of their support.



UWCT Approved Community Grant

Being a United Way of Central Texas Grant Recipient means they have gone through the application and selection process and have been approved to receive financial support.

The funding provided by the United Way of Central Texas can be used to support a wide range of programs and services, such as education, healthcare, social services, community development, and more.

The United Way of Central Texas allocates funding to organizations that have demonstrated (a track record of) effectiveness and have a clear focus on addressing community needs. By providing these organizations with financial resources, the United Way of Central Texas aims to support and strengthen their efforts in making a positive impact on the community promoting a LIVE UNITED culture.

- Central Texas 4 -C
- Central Texas Youth Services
- Churches Touching Lives for Christ
- Communities in Schools
- Families in Crisis
- Family Promise
- Foster Love

- Helping Hands
- Hill Country Community Action
- Ralph Wilson Youth Club
- STARRY Counseling
- Temple Community Clinic
- Temple Housing Residential Corporation
- Salvation Army



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From Donor to Client: A BridgeS to Wellness & Health Story

O1 Individual Donor to Workplace Campaign at Company A.



The donor participated in their workplace campaign and contributed to the United Way of Central Texas program that helps others when they are in need

The Donor Lost Their Job at Company A and Now Needs Services.

SERVICES

The donor loses his/her job and can no longer contribute, but remembers that they supported programs like Bridges with United Way of Central Texas and inquires about eligibility for services.

After Using Services, the Donor Can Now Focus on Finding a New Job with Less Stress.



The donor is now in a better position to find new employment to care for themselves and or their family again.

O4 Donor Gets New Job at Company B.

HIRED'

The donor now knows what his/her contribution did for him/her during this hardship and now understands how these programs impact lives.

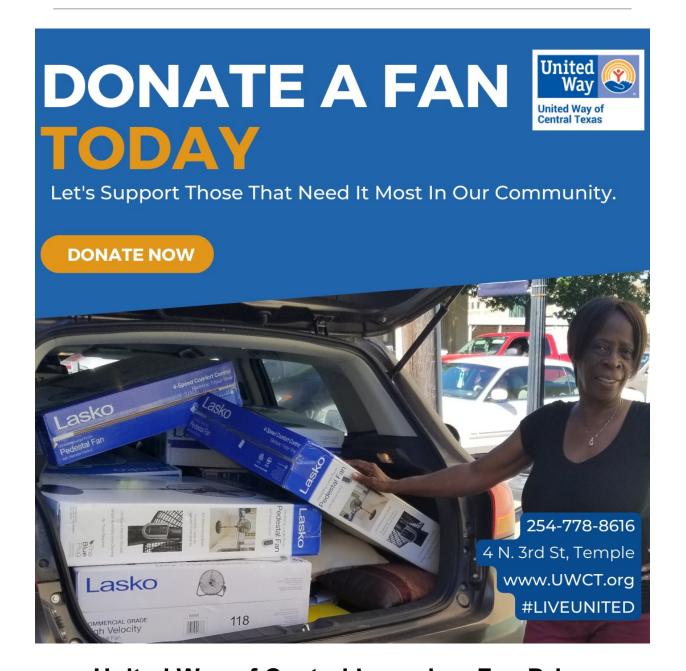
New Employee becomes donor to
Workplace Campaign at Company B



The donor begins to contribute to the workplace campaign at their new job at Company B, because the donor knows the impact these programs can make for someone in need.



From Donor to Client: A BridgeS



United Way of Central Launches Fan Drive

Support United Way of Central Texas by donating a fan today! You can drop off your fan at the designated location: 4 N. 3rd Street, Temple. This is an excellent opportunity to contribute to the community and help those in need as we face the scorching summer days ahead. Your donation will provide much-needed relief from the heat and make a positive impact on the lives of individuals and families.

Campaign Highlights

Many campaigns continue to use a hybrid combination of digital and paper pledge forms as options to complete their campaigns.

2022-2023 Campaigns continue to be completed



and United Way of Central Texas is excited to partner with every participant. We live united.



- Acadian
- A New Day Learning Academy
- American Express
- Atmos Energy
- Bell County
- Belton ISD
- Brockway, Gersbach, Franklin
 & Neimeier
- CASA of Bell & Coryell Counties
- Cadence Bank
- Central National Bank
- Central Texas 4C
- Central Texas Youth Services
- City of Belton
- Communities in Schools
- Costco Warehouse
- Don Ringler
- Extraco Banks
- Families In Crisis

- Family Promise of Bell County
- FedEx
- Fosterlove of Bell
- HEB
- Hilton Garden Inn
- Johnson Brothers
- McLane Company
- McLane Group
- Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter
- Ralph Wilson Youth Club
- Target
- Temple College
- Temple Daily Telegram
- UMHB
- United Way of Central Texas
- UPS
- Wilsonart





From Hello to Help, 2-1-1 is Here

The United Way of Central Texas 2-1-1 Helpline is free and confidential, and available 24 hours, 365 days a year. 2-1-1 is staffed by trained specialists who can find real answers for callers as they work the most comprehensive social services database in the state of Texas.







211 in 2023 Get Connected. Get Help.





2-1-1 LOCAL CALL CENTER STATS **JANUARY - APRIL**



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*2-1-1 Texas is a program of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission in collaboration with United Way of Central Texas.

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Request

for FOOD

Request

for EDUCATION







Request

Request for MENTAL HEALTH

Request for DISASTER



for RENT or MORTGAGE

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE



Calls from

566 Calls from SENIORS



Calls from COVID

Calls from FIRST TIME





Request

HEALTHCARE



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2-1-1 LOCAL NEEDS for APRIL 2023









NEEDS Include

- 1. Housing & Shelter 2. Utilities
- 3. Food
- 4. Healthcare & COVID
- 5. Mental Health & Addictions

UNMĒT Include

- 1. Rent Payment Assistance 2. Low Income/Sub. Rental Housing
- 3. Shelter
- 4. Home Repair/Maintenance
- 5. Mortgage Assistance

LOCAL Referrals Include

- 1. Texas Utility Help- (TDHCD-Texas Department of Housing of Community Affairs)
 2. Adult Protective Services- (Texas Department of Family and Protective Services)
 3. Adult and Family Services (Wesley Community Center)
 4. Social and Financial Services (Harris County Community Services Department)
 5. Financial Assistance- (Tarrant County Human Services)

United Way in the News

Check out this recent news article:

May 16, 2023 KCEN TV: United Way of Central Texas Fan Drive Underway

April, 15, 2023: KDH News: First National Bank Texas Recognized with

CARE Award

Mar 23, 2023: ABC 25: Accounting students volunteer with United Way to prepare taxes for free.

March 2, 2023: KCENT TV: United Way of Central Texas to celebrate Read

Across America Day in Bell County

Mar 1, 2023: KWTX Waco, Tx Bell County organizations ready for more calls for help after SNAP benefits reduced

January 14, 2023: <u>United Way to start tax assistance program in January</u>

November 25, 2022: <u>Chrome & Carols fundraiser sold out, but virtual tickets</u>

available

October 21, 2022: KWTX Waco, Tx Good News Friday

October 4, 2022: <u>Temple Daily Telegram: United Way Day of Caring set</u>

<u>Friday</u>

October 1, 2022: <u>Temple Daily Telegram: Day of Caring Volunteers tackle</u>
community-projects





