

## UNITED WAY OF SOUTHWEST MISSOURI

### Vision Statement

The United Way of Southwest Missouri will be the region's recognized leader in human-care fundraising and in identifying and seeking solutions to meet the human service needs of the area. We will be the most effective distributor of resources and a customer (contributor, agency, recipient, and volunteer) driven United Way.

### Mission Statement

The mission of the United Way of Southwest Missouri is to provide the voluntary leadership to identify the human service needs of the community and coordinate the delivery of available resources to meet those needs.

We will care for one another through:

- Providing leadership to identify and solve community problems.
- Developing and allocating resources to meet community human service needs.
- Providing assistance to strengthen the health and human service delivery system.
- Enhancing communications to foster meaningful involvement with donors, agencies and volunteers.



**United Way Partner Agencies and the Year each joined the United Way Family:**

American Red Cross	1938
Arthritis Association of SWMO	1983
Big Brothers Big Sisters	1994
Boy Scouts - Ozark Trails	1938
Boys and Girls Club	1959
Cerebral Palsy of Tri County	1959
Children's Center	2008
Children's Haven	2006
Children's Mercy Hospital	1951
Community Health Clinic of Joplin	1997
Community Support Services	2003
Girl Scout Council of the Ozark Area	1938
Joplin Association of the Blind	1938
Joplin Family Y	1938
Joplin NALA-READ	1985
Lafayette House	1980
Legal Aid of Western MO	2000
Regional Health and Welfare	1938
Salvation Army	1938

**United Way Initiatives**

Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Jasper & Newton Counties	2006
United Way Success By 6™	1999
WINGS Healthy Children's Program	1999



**Balance Sheet**

As of December 31, 2009

(Unaudited Report)

**Assets**

Cash	\$	172,988
Campaign Contributions Receivable	\$	813,084
Due from UWA - Flex Credits	\$	4,716
Grants Receivables	\$	37,962
Prepaid Expenses	\$	6,865
Investments	\$	189,998
Interest in Beneficial Perpetual Trust	\$	712,019
Equipment & Buildings	\$	625,943

**Total Assets** **\$ 2,563,575**

**Liabilities and Net Assets**

**Liabilities**

Current Liabilities	\$	161,618
Long Term Liabilities	\$	327,939

**Total Liabilities** **\$ 489,557**

**Net Assets**

Net Assets Undesignated/Unrestricted	\$	140,946
Net Assets Designated Contingency	\$	283,699
Net Assets Board Designated	\$	31,308
N.A. - TR - SPSF	\$	38,758
N.A. - Temp Restrtr- Campaign Peldges	\$	694,650
PRA - Endowments	\$	153,588
PRA - Int In Beneficial Perpetual Trust - SJJ	\$	712,019
Earnings on Endowment & Board Designations	\$	19,050

**Total Net Assets** **\$ 2,074,018**

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** **\$ 2,563,575**

## 2008 Minutes from the Annual Meeting in 2009

The Annual Meeting of the United Way of Southwest Missouri was held at 11:30 AM, Wednesday, February 11, at the Butcher's Block Banquet Center, Joplin, Missouri. 102 members attended the luncheon meeting.

Troy Richards, 2008 President, called the meeting to order. He welcomed those assembled and explained the purpose of the meeting is to elect Board Members and Officers, present campaign awards, and celebrate the successes of 2008. Troy recognized our partner agencies and initiatives, present and past board members, and the Annual Meeting event sponsors. Captain Poff, Salvation Army, gave the invocation.

Troy Richards explained the significance of the day being 2-11 and took that opportunity to explain the 2-1-1 Program.

Troy introduced 2008 Day of Caring Chair, Marsha Wallace, The Empire District Electric Company. Marsha reported that taking part this year were over 200 volunteers meeting 14 agencies needs. There were 21 companies involved with 6 of those 21 being new participants. She announced that the 2009 Day of Caring will be Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.

Troy Richards presented the minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting and the Treasurer's Report for approval. Rob O'Brian moved to accept the minutes and financials as presented, seconded by Laurie Delano. The motion carried.

Rick Keller gave the Nominating Committee's Report. Seven individuals were elected to a three-year term on the Board of Directors; terms to expire on January 1, 2012: Chuck Good, Leggett & Platt; Billie Hodson, Sam's Club; Gary Mawby, General Mills; Shelly McIntyre, Lozier; Ron Pence, Arvest; Terry Wachter, St. John's Regional Medical Center. Officers elected were as follows: Terry Wachter, St. John's Regional Medical Center, President; Dr. Glenn Coltharp, Missouri Southern State University, First Vice President; Gary Mawby, General Mills, Second Vice President; Ron Pence, Arvest Bank, Third Vice President; Debra Koelkebeck, Freeman Health System, Treasurer; Rick Keller, Spring River Christian Village, Assistant Treasurer; Troy Richards, Joplin Building Material, Past President.

Mary Ellen Greer moved that the Nominating Committee report be accepted as presented, motion seconded by Dr. Charles Bentlage. The motion carried.

Troy Richards recognized the following retiring directors: Bryan Vowels and Dr. Charles Bentlage.

Terry Wachter presented Troy Richards with his President's Award in appreciation for serving as Board President during 2008. Troy then introduced the 2008 Campaign Chair, Ron Pence. Ron expressed his gratitude to the volunteers and supporters for helping raise over \$1,120,819.82. Shelly McIntyre and Gary Mawby presented the following Pacesetter companies with their certificates: FIRE Division—Arvest Bank, BKD, LLP, Commerce Bank, Keller Williams Realty (Doris Carlin Team), The Title Place, and Wachovia Securities LLC; Government Division—City of Joplin; Industrial Division—Cliffstar, General Mills, Joplin Building Materials, KODE/KSN, Pepsi Bottling Group, and Sam's Club; Medical Division—Freeman Health System and St. John's Regional Medical Center; Professional Attorneys Division—Warten, Fisher, Lee & Brown; United Way Partner Agencies, and United Way Staff. The Cabinet Members were recognized and presented with a small gift of appreciation.

Ron presented 10 Platinum Awards, 13 Gold Awards, 14 Silver Awards, and 18 Bronze Awards to recognize outstanding company campaigns. Four Awards were presented to recognize the companies with the highest per capita giving in each of the five size categories. The recipients were Wachovia Securities, Commerce Bank, Lozier Corporation, and Empire District Electric Company.

Ron Pence recognized Pepsi Bottling Company for the highest percent increase and also for the highest percent of Pillar contributors.

Troy Richards introduced our 2008 Volunteer of the Year Award winner, Kevin Wilson. This award is from the United Way Board of Directors to an outstanding volunteer.

Ron Pence was presented with an award for his tireless work for the great success in the 2008 Campaign. Rob O'Brian, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, was then introduced as the Campaign Chair for the 2009 campaign.

There being no further business, Terry Wachter, 2009 Board of Directors President called the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Little

## INCOMING 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**DR. GLENN COLTHARP - PRESIDENT**  
**RON PENCE - 1ST VICE PRESIDENT**  
**BRIAN BERKSTRESSER- 2ND VICE PRESIDENT**  
**DR. CJ HUFF - 3RD VICE PRESIDENT**  
**DEBI KOELKEBECK - TREASURER**  
**RICK KELLER - ASSISTANT TREASURER**  
**TERRY WACHTER - PAST PRESIDENT**  
**BRAD BAKER - CAMPAIGN CHAIR**  
**SEAN ANDERSON**  
**CHUCK BROWN**  
**DR. PHIL COOK**  
**TRACY CRIDER**  
**DR. W.C. DANDRIDGE**  
**CHUCK GOOD**  
**BROOKE HANEBOG**  
**BILLIE HODSON**  
**KARA JOHNSON**  
**JACK KAMINSKY**  
**SHELLY MCINTYRE**  
**DIXIE MEREDITH**  
**ANDY PERIGO**



*"He who wishes to secure the good of others has already secured his own."  
-- Confucius*

I am proud to have had the opportunity to serve as President of the Board of Directors of United Way of Southwest Missouri. Your volunteer Board is committed to human service goals and they work hard to deliver what is needed most for the work, and the communities we serve. The staff truly cares about human service, and believes we make a real difference to the more than 50 programs and 50,000 individuals who utilize the services provided by our partner agencies. Each of them has earned our gratitude.

2009 was quite busy for your United Way. Undaunted by lingering national economic struggles, volunteers and staff gave of their time and energy to fulfill our mission to identify community needs and allocate resources to address them. If there was ever a time when a community had to rise to the proverbial occasion, it was last year. Performing better than many United Ways across the country, the campaign team was led by Rob O'Brian of the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations on a job well done! That achievement is a clear tribute to our very nature as a community. It is a challenge to think beyond our individual financial needs in the midst of all that our country has faced, but we did.

*"...be the change you want to see in the world."  
- Gandhi*

Gandhi's words resonated as we continued our pursuit to LIVE UNITED. We partnered with six other area organizations to focus a unified effort on providing all citizens with what is needed to achieve human potential. Called "Advancing the Common Good," we built a structure geared for measurable achievement in three areas - Education, Income, and Health/Safety. Projects to improve graduation rates, stabilize family income and encourage a healthy lifestyle are already organized. This work aligns with efforts encouraged by United Way Worldwide, United Way of America's new name, a reflection of its expanded mission. Its work will span ten years.

We launched a new initiative, a Women's Legacy Society. We invited women in our United Way who were giving at a leadership level to become more involved in goals related to "Advancing the Common Good."

The Single Parent Scholarship Program, started under the auspices of United Way, stretched its wings and flew on its own. Joining a coalition of similar programs out of Arkansas, ASPIRE, they became a separate 501(c)3.

Space prohibits mentioning everyone, like our partner agencies, but our appreciation for their dedication could fill a book. Kudos to many people who brought all of this together for a successful year in human service, the United Way. Margaret Mead is correct.

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."  
- Margaret Mead*

Terry Wachter  
2009 President of the Board

**2009**

**UNITED WAY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**TERRY WACHTER, PRESIDENT**  
**DR. GLENN COLTHARP, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT**  
**GARY MAWBY, 2ND VICE PRESIDENT**  
**RON PENCE, 3RD VICE PRESIDENT**  
**DEBI KOELKEBECK, TREASURER**  
**RICK KELLER, ASSISTANT TREASURER**  
**TROY RICHARDS, PAST PRESIDENT**

**BRIAN BERKSTRESSER**  
**CHUCK BROWN**  
**DR. PHIL COOK**  
**TRACY CRIDER**  
**TERESA DIVINE**  
**CHUCK GOOD**  
**BROOKE HANEBOG**  
**BILLIE HODSON**  
**DR. C. J. HUFF**  
**KARA JOHNSON**  
**SHELLY MCINTYRE**  
**ANDY PERIGO**

**UNITED WAY STAFF**

**MARY LITTLE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**SANDRA ARNOLD, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
**BELINDA BELK, DIRECTOR OF RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**  
**VALERIE SEARCY, DIRECTOR OF MARKETING**  
**TAMMY VIRGIN, EXECUTIVE SUPPORT SPECIALIST**



**2009 COMMITTEES**

**Long Range Planning**

Dr. Glenn Coltharp, Chair, MSSU  
Terry Wachter, St. John's Regional Medical Center  
Troy Richards, Joplin Building Material  
Gary Mawby, General Mills

**Personnel**

Rick Keller, Chair, Spring River Christian Village  
Chuck Brown, Warten, Fisher, Lee & Brown  
Dr. Phil Cook, Carl Junction Schools  
Chuck Good, Leggett & Platt  
Terry Wachter, St. John's Regional Medical Center

**United Way Success By 6™ Committee:**

Dr. Glenn Coltharp, MSSU  
Patty Wheeler, Parents As Teachers  
Cathy Hall, Early Childhood Center, Webb City  
Nicole Piper, Resource and Referral  
Susan Simick, Pumpkin Patch  
Jenae Shoemaker, Head Start  
Carrie Cavit, Owner/Director of Plaid Giraffe Preschool



# Community Investment



**LIVE UNITED™**

## Allocating Dollars- A Community Driven Approach

Each year over **60 volunteers** review our partner agencies that are requesting program funding. Those volunteers:

1. Attend an orientation session
2. Review agency minutes and written presentations regarding the agency's programming
3. Attend focus group meetings and presentations of agency budgets
4. Participate in an on site visit to an agency where appropriate
5. Attend an agency Board Meeting
6. Determine the accountability to agency's own mission statement and by-laws
7. Complete a written report on findings and recommendations.

The Community Investment Committee (CIC) then takes the recommendations from the review teams and evaluates them.

This, along with an agency presentation to the CIC and Review Teams, determines the basis for the program funding recommendations.

A preliminary allocation is awarded in June to each agency that will receive program funding. Since funds raised in the current year are allocated in the following year, all allocations have the possibility of increasing.

Once the campaign is complete, the CIC looks at the campaign dollars raised and the agency program needs and finalizes the agency program allocations.

The United Way Board of Directors has the final approval on all community investment decisions.



## Community Investment Committee:

**Brian Berkstresser, Co-Chair**  
**Kara Johnson, Co-Chair**  
**Tracy Crider**  
**Teresa Divine**  
**Chuck Good**  
**Brooke Haneborg**  
**Billie Hodson**  
**Andy Perigo**

## COMMUNITY INVESTMENT REVIEWERS:

Niki	Alexander
Tracy	Asbell
Christy	Bauer
Cary	Beasley
Nancy	Bettasso
Lori	Blythe
Bonnie	Carter
Cindy	Crayne
Kathy	Crites
Becky	Dean
Brian	Dorman
Randy	Evans
Jud	Fisher
Jeany	Franz
Jeremy	Goebel
Nancy	Good
Drew	Hartley
Jenny	Hocker
Tim	Holder
Gary	Huffaker
Patricia	Hurley
Debbie	Hutson
Kim	Lester
Brian	Lorimer
Tony	Moehr
Nathan	Mordica
Lisa	Nelson
Janet	Nickell
Sheila	Pekarek
Kelli	Perigo
Nancy	Periman
Doug	Phipps
Dwane	Russell
Troy	Stovern
Ron	Thompson
Amanda	Triplett
Susan	Wray

## 2009 United Way Campaign Cabinet

### Vice Chairs –

Brad Baker, The Whitlock Co.  
Troy Stovern, Wells Fargo

### Industrial Division -

Brad Baker, The Whitlock Co.  
Audie Dennis, Boyd Metals

### Small Business Division-

Rob O'Brian, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce

### Finance/Insurance/Real Estate Division (FIRE) -

Rick Keller, Spring River Christian Village  
Troy Stovern, Wells Fargo  
Veronica Scheurich, Arvest Bank

### Medical Division-

Dr. W.C. Dandridge, St. John's Medical Center  
Dr. John Cox, Freeman Health System

### Professional Attorney Division –

Rob O'Brian, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce

### Special Gifts Division -

Gary Duncan, Freeman Health System

### Government Division –

Carl Francis, Webb City Police Department  
Mayor Reverend Gary Shaw, City of Joplin  
Steve Lawver, City of Carl Junction

### Leadership Division –

Nancy Good, The Title Place

### Education Division –

Dr. Glenn Coltarp, MSSU  
Dr. Phil Cook, Carl Junction Schools  
Dr. Stephen Doerr, Joplin R-8 School District  
Dr. Mark Scott, Ozark Christian College

### National Firms -

Rob O'Brian, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce

### Pacesetter

Gary Mawby, General Mills  
Shelly McIntyre, Lozier Corporation



I would first like to say that it has been my honor to serve as the 2009 Campaign Chair for the United Way of Southwest Missouri. I would secondly, like to thank you, your employees, and your business for helping to support our United Way and its 19 partner agencies and three initiatives. Every dollar contributed to our United Way stays here in the Joplin, Carl Junction, and Webb City areas.

While our community has been experiencing the hit on the economy, we have also seen the needs of our friends and neighbors increase. Our community knows that we need to support each other and pull together for numerous organizations, not just United Way. It is through this commitment and caring, that we are able to live in such a great community. We see families comforted after a house fire; the hungry find warm meals; and women are protected from domestic violence. It is through partnership and cooperation that the United Way family of agencies works to make each contribution reach the most people.

With that said, I must thank each and every volunteer that worked on the United Way Campaign. From our Campaign Cabinet, Loaned Executives, and Employee Campaign Coordinators, hundreds of hours of service made the seemingly impossible happen. Once again, over \$1 million was collected for our United Way. We did see a slight decrease in giving this year, but believe that it will pick back up in 2010. The message we received from companies was positive. Some even apologized for not doing more. While that sentiment was appreciated, we also understood. Every penny contributed to United Way is always appreciated. It takes each of us to help all of us.

I strongly encourage you to find out more about one or all of the United Way partner agencies. So much inspiring work is done every day at these organizations. It is truly humbling to spend even an hour watching others give so much. Individuals are being taught to speak English; children with disabilities are learning to say, I love you mommy; and young men are being taught qualities of leadership. Each of us have talents and treasures to share. I encourage you to find yours and give a little back.

And, as we move forward, please remember that I don't just wear the shirt I LIVE UNITED, do you?

Rob O'Brian  
2009 Campaign Chair  
Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce

## 2009 Campaign Loaned Executives

### Industrial:

Tracy Asbell, SMB Bank  
 Lori Blythe, Mense, Churchwell, Mense  
 Kathy Crites, Arvest Bank  
 Bill Eichman, Empire District Electric Company  
 Tom Franz, T.J. Franz & Associates  
 Stephanie Howard, Empire District Electric Company  
 Kara Johnson, AT&T Mobility/BMG Joplin  
 Sandie Morgan, retired  
 Jared Wicklund, Empire District Electric Company

### FIRE (Finance/Insurance/Real Estate):

Sharon Cooper, Baker, Davis, Roderique, CPA's PC  
 Kasey Cowger, Arvest Bank  
 Toby Johnston, Commerce Bank  
 Todd Pefferman, BKD  
 Logan Stanley, Edward Jones

### Small Business:

The United Way Partner Agency Staff and Volunteers



## Campaign Awards

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

This year we honor the company with the highest per capita giving in each of four categories.

Companies of 3 to 20 employees  
**American Red Cross \$173.33 per capita**

Companies of 21 to 75 employees  
**Commerce Bank \$357.49 per capita**

Companies of 75 to 150 employees  
**Lozier Corporation \$228.97 per capita**

Companies of 250 or more employees  
**Empire District Electric Company \$424.90 per capita**

### OUTSTANDING COMPANY CAMPAIGNS

#### Platinum Award

Presented to firms with 3 or more employees who have at least 80% participation and a per capita gift of \$100.

American Red Cross  
 BKD,LLP  
 Commerce Bank  
 Community Health Clinic  
 Edward Jones – Dan Stanley  
 Empire District Electric Company  
 Joplin Association for the Blind  
 Joplin NALA  
 Joplin R-8 Administration  
 Olsson Associates  
 SMB Bank  
 The Insurancenter  
 United Way of Southwest Missouri

## 2009 Pacesetter Companies

### **FIRE (Finance/Insurance/Real Estate):**

Arvest Bank  
 BKD, LLP  
 Commerce Bank  
 Keller Williams Realty (Doris Carlin Team)  
 Wells Fargo

### **Government:**

City of Joplin

### **Industrial:**

General Mills  
 J C Penney's  
 KODE/KSN  
 Lozier Corporation  
 Macy's  
 Pepsi Bottling Group  
 Sam's Club  
 UPS  
 Wal-Mart

### **Medical:**

Benefit Management  
 Freeman Health System  
 Ozark Center  
 St. John's Regional Medical Center

### **Trusts:**

Sara Jean Jones  
 Alwin Pohl Estate

UW Partner Agencies



## Campaign Awards

### **Gold Award**

Presented to firms with 3 or more employees who have at least 75% participation and a per capita gift of \$50.

Boys & Girls Club  
 Cerebral Palsy  
 Eastmorland Elementary  
 Irving Elementary  
 Joplin Printing  
 Legal Aid  
 Lozier Corporation  
 United Parcel Service

### **Silver Award**

Presented to firms with 3 or more employees who have at least 60% participation and a per capita gift of \$35.

Arvest Bank  
 Children's Haven  
 Columbia Elementary  
 Duenweg Elementary  
 Federal Express  
 General Mills  
 Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce  
 Lamar Advertising  
 McKinley Elementary  
 Missouri Gas Energy  
 PCS Phosphate  
 The Title Place  
 Warten, Fisher, Lee & Brown  
 US Bank

### **Bronze Award**

Presented to firms with 3 or more employees who have at least 40% participation and a per capita gift of \$20.

Arthritis Association  
 Baker Davis Roderique  
 Benefit Management  
 Carl Junction R-1 School District  
 Cecil Floyd Elementary  
 Kelsey Norman Elementary  
 Lafayette House  
 Ozark Trails Boy Scouts  
 Stifel Nicolaus & Company  
 West Central Elementary

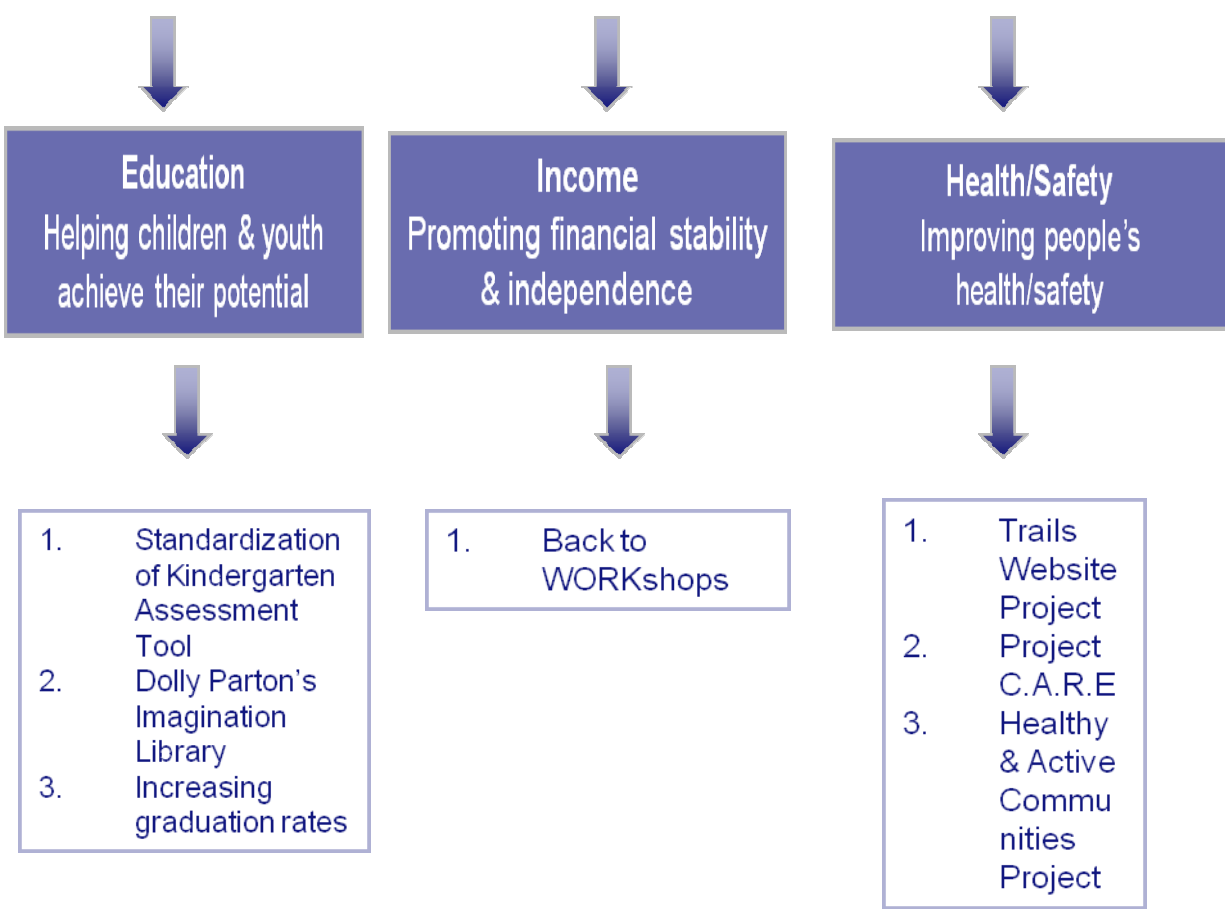
# Advancing the Common Good



The Advancing the Common Good Collaborative works on a community-wide basis to create opportunities in Education, Income, and Health/Safety that will improve the well being of all residents in Southwest Missouri

Community Partners:  
United Way of Southwest Missouri  
Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce  
Community Health Collaborative  
The Alliance of Southwest Missouri  
Workforce Investment Board  
Missouri Southern State University  
Carthage Area United Way

*Creating the opportunities for a good life for all by focusing on:*



**Education, income, and health/safety are the building blocks for a good life. Education is essential to getting and keeping a job with a livable wage and health benefits. An income adequate to pay for today's necessities and save for the future provides families some sense of financial stability. Access to quality health care keeps children on track in school and adults productive at work. Remove any one of these building blocks and the other two topple.**

# UWSWMO Honor Roll

## Honor Roll of Board Presidents

Sol Newman, Sr.	1922
E.Z. Wallower	1923-24
G. N. Spiva	1925-1926
P. C. Pate	1927
Felix Everline	1928-1930
Ed Phenning	1931-1937
Cliff Titus	1938-1940
William Markwardt	1941-1942
Dr. Ben Ridpath	1943-1945
Albert Newman	1946
Joe Milligan	1947
Tom Molloy	1948-1949
Mark Ettinger	1950-1952
Freeman Johnson	1953-1954
Henry S. Ross	1955-1956
Paul Hamilton	1957
E. P. Dwyer	1958
Frank Evans	1959-1960
Robert Blake	1961
Brady Stevens	1962
Albert Braeckel	1963
Robert B. Klein	1964-1965
William H. Clark	1966
A.D. Strunk	1967
Carl Boyington	1968-1969
Kenneth Steele	1970-1971
J.T. Jones	1972-1973
Jon Dermott	1974
F.E. Phillips	1975
John Goostree	1976
Robert Moyer	1977
Robert Higgins	1978
Ethel Beechwood	1979
James R. Pettit	1980
Robert L. Lamb	1981
Keith Adams	1982
James H. Willis	1983
Richard P. Barker	1984
James F. Shoemake	1985
Frederick H. Laas	1986
Gary Duncan	1987
Theresa Wachter	1988
Myron McKinney	1989
Ronald Woody	1990
Peter Ramsour	1991
Miff Dikeman	1992
Alex Curchin	1993
Joan Banks	1994
Kenny Neal	1995

## Honor Roll of Board Presidents Continued

Chuck D. Brown	1996
J. David Austin	1997
Nancy L. Good	1998
Carolyn Vandeven	1999
Glenn Dolence	2000
Michael Gardner	2001
Robert L. Harrington	2002
Gayle M. Tuck	2003
Clive Veri	2004
Lisa Knutzen	2005
Laurie Delano	2006
Bryan Vowels	2007
Troy Richards	2008

## Outstanding Volunteers

Larry Jones	1987
Susie Crutcher	1988
Elaine Potts	1989
Barbara Proctor	1990
Bill Eichman	1991
Ted Easley	1992
Theresa Wachter	1993
Christine M. Brixey	1994
Gayle M. Tuck	1995
Kathy Ward	1996
Cathy Wheeler	1997
Carol Ferguson	1998
Bev Davis	1999
Glenn Dolence	2000
Jay Cloyd	2001
Chris Shafer	2002
Robin McAlester	2003
Rick Keller	2004
Dr. Charles Bentlage & Shirley Mutz	2005
Dick Eastman	2006
Brad Baker	2007
Kevin Wilson	2008

## Campaign Chair Honor Roll

Rev. A.M. Tighe	1949-1950
Arnold Leonard	1951
Don McKee	1952
Richard Craig	1953
Arthur Christman	1954
Dan Stanley	1955
Joe Milligan	1956
Harry Roberts	1957
Sol Newman	1958
Frank Evans	1959
Brady Stevens	1960-1961
E.J. Drewelow	1962-1963
William Clark	1964-1965
Carl Boyington	1966
J.T. Jones	1967
James A. Metz	1968
Harold E. Henson	1969
D.T. Knight	1970
Max E. Thompson	1971
Bruce Adamson	1972
Dan Stanley III	1973
John Goostree	1974
Robert Moyer	1975
Robert Higgins	1976
Wesley Houser	1977
James H. Willis	1978
James R. Pettit	1979
James F. Shoemake	1980
Jim Jacobs	1981
Gary Duncan	1982
Myron McKinney	1983
Miff Dikeman	1984
Ted Easley	1985
Jim McCoy	1986
Theresa Wachter	1987
Peter Ramsour	1988
Gene Maggard	1989
Robert M. Headlee	1990
John Wilcox	1991
Barbara Proctor	1992
Bill Gipson	1993
Julio Leon	1994
Christine M. Brixey	1995
Robert L. Harrington	1996
Maridan S. Kassab	1997
Gayle M. Tuck	1998
Bill Eichman	1999
Nancy L. Good	2000
Ronald Pence	2001
Carol Ferguson	2002
Fred Osborn	2003
Michael Gardner	2004
Doris Carlin/	
Gary Bandy	2005
Marsha Wallace	2006
Theresa Wachter	2007
Ron Pence	2008

## Diamond Donors

Diamond Donors are self-reported individuals who have given to any United Way for 25 years or more.

Mrs. James Austin  
 Judy Bacon  
 Joan & Michael Banks  
 Steve and Joy Barnett  
 John & Amy Bass  
 Belinda Belk  
 Barbara Bentley  
 Stephanie Brammer  
 Scott & Kit Brothers  
 Gretchen Caldwell  
 Ned & Martha Chase  
 Robert & Margaret Cooper  
 James Covert  
 Larry R. Cowger  
 Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Curchin  
 Sheila Damer  
 William W. Davis  
 Glenn & Myrna Dolence  
 Doug Doll  
 Gary & Suzanne Duncan  
 Kent & C. B. Eastman  
 Bill & Julia Eichman  
 Robert G. Essner  
 Randy Evans  
 Francis Farley  
 Debbie Franks  
 Michael Gardner  
 Conrad E. Gubera  
 John & Carolyn Hale  
 Bob & Crystal Harrington  
 Pamela Hosp  
 Debra Koelkebeck  
 Greg & Beth Knapp  
 Bob & Pat Lamb  
 Mary Jane Landreth  
 Judy Marcum  
 Mary Martin  
 John W. (deceased) & Gayle McAllister  
 Gene & Kathy McMeen  
 Terry Mills  
 Don & Patty Miller  
 Randy Moore  
 Mike & Andrea Pence  
 Wayne & Joyce Porter  
 Peter & Susan Ramsour  
 Kenneth Schroer  
 Cynthia Schwab  
 Paula Seamans  
 Russell G. Smith II  
 Ed & Annetta St.Clair  
 Dixie Rae Starmer  
 Suzanne Steinbeck  
 Daniel & Jeanette Stengel  
 Gary & Sandra Stover  
 Paul Teverow  
 Jan & Carol Tupper  
 Timothy Vinyard  
 Marsha Wallace  
 John & Vickie Williams  
 Barry Williamson

# Pillars



## The Pillars Club

The Pillars Club was established in 1992 to recognize individuals, families, sole proprietorships and partnerships who have shown a personal commitment to building a vision of a better community. These leaders, by their generosity, are following in the tradition of our early community builders whose vision confirmed the worthiness of making a personal investment in our community.

In the tradition of philanthropy at its finest, membership in the Pillars Club enables individuals to invest in the health and the future of our community.

The United Way gratefully acknowledges, honors and thanks these individuals for their courage to lead and their uncommon support of a better life for all.

As part of the Pillars Club, members proclaim that our community and its people are worthy of significant personal investment and set an example for future leaders.

### Giving Levels:

**Alexis de Tocqueville Society**  
\$10,000 and above

**Platinum Pillar**  
\$5,000 - \$9,999

**Gold Pillar**  
\$2,500 - \$4,999

**Silver Pillar**  
\$1,000 - \$2,499

**Bronze Pillar**  
\$500 - \$999



*\* Indicates a founding member of the Pillars Club*

## Alexis de Tocqueville Society

Bryan & Leticia Vowels  
Sara Jean Jones Foundation

### Platinum Pillar

Dr. John and Vickie Cox

### Gold Pillar

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Only 26 years old when he came to America in 1831, Alexis Charles-Henri Clerel de Tocqueville traveled all over the young nation. Though he only spent nine months in the United States, he gleaned an insightful view of American Society. His observations, readings, and discussions with eminent Americans formed the basis of *Democracy In America*, a detailed study of American society and politics, published in two volumes, in 1835 and 1840.

Perhaps his most important observation was that Americans helped each other in times of need. He recognized, applauded and immortalized the voluntary spirit that lives in America's heart. He wrote: "I must say that I have seen Americans make great and real sacrifices to the public welfare; and have noticed a hundred instances in which they hardly ever failed to lend faithful support to one another."

The name *Alexis de Tocqueville Society* was chosen because of Tocqueville's admiration for the spirit of voluntary association and voluntary effort for the common good.

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