

## ***Your Donations Help Here!***

VALUE OF IN-KIND DONATIONS  
RECEIVED IN 2016 WAS \$72,632.00

**Give \$1.00 a week, just \$52.00 a year  
and your donation can help buy:**

**\$2.00 = two days of electricity**

**\$5.00 = can provide 15 meals**

**\$10 = 1 month garbage service for SAFE**

**\$12 = electricity for a room at SAFE**

**\$20 = CC Rider passes for four trips**

**\$52 = utility assistance for one month**

### **Your donations at work!**

#### **SAFE**

United Way has touched literally every aspect of SAFE's work and, since the Columbia County Women's Resource Center received that pivotal funding in 1981, has been crucial to SAFE's ability to carry out its mission.

#### **Columbia Pacific Food Bank**

Client quotation: "I can't work like I used to due to a disability from my job. My three kids are fed thanks to your program. It makes our home happy and growing. This is a great program for the community." Love—a Single Mom

#### **Vernonia Cares**

A new mother, had no money and ran out of baby formula. The food bank had the kind she needed.

**We can raise funds only in  
Columbia County and receive  
only donor directed funds  
from outside our community.  
Funds raised here stay here to  
help support local programs .**

## ***Important Facts***

1. Donations help fund services for Columbia County residents.
2. United Way donations can help programs leverage additional money.
3. Locally raised donations provide support for local programs.
4. Donations to the Community Impact Fund do the most good.
5. All funded applications for funding are reviewed by local volunteers and Board members.
6. Corporate Cornerstone Program helps cover operating expenses. Allowing individual donor dollars to support community programs.
7. United Way of Columbia County is governed by local community volunteers.
8. United Way offers you a one stop verification point for receipt and delivery of your donations.
9. Donors may direct their donations. (Minimum \$50.00 per designation).
10. Give with payroll deduction, cash, check, bill me, online with PayPalGivingFund or auto deduct from your bank account.
11. Donor information is not sold or shared.
12. No goods or services are exchanged for donations.

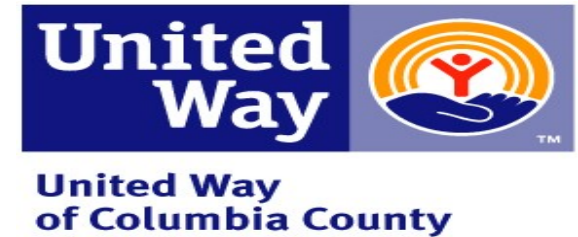
*Fifty three years of working together  
for the  
residents of Columbia County.*

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# **GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.**



# **LIVE UNITED**

**Reach out to your neighbor.  
Offer hope, change lives,  
make a difference!**

**Your donations stay here to help  
in Columbia County.**

## Focus Areas & Programs

### INCOME

CAT: Emergency Housing  
CAT: Energy Services  
CAT: Transitional Housing  
CAT: Veterans Services

### EDUCATION

CAT: Parenting Education  
Progress Center  
Stuff the Bus- Annual School Supply Drive  
School Supplies- *donations used to purchase items to supplement those donated.*

### HEALTH

Columbia Pacific Food Bank  
CAT: Respite Care  
Emergency Support Shelter  
SAFE of Columbia County  
Turning Point Community Service Center  
Vernonia Cares

### DISASTER RECOVERY FUND

Restricted to providing support for disasters.

### COMMUNITY IMPACT FUND

Has the greatest impact in the community and allows the Board of directors to place funds where the need is greatest.

### ANNUAL UNITED WAY FUNDRAISER

*"An Evening with Friends"*

Community members can invite friends to a dinner in their home and ask for donations to help support United Way of Columbia County.

*"Halloween Masquerade Party"*

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### CAT – Energy/Utility Assistance

Assisted a man who had lost his income due to a recent medical condition using United Way funds to help prevent his water being shut off.

**Total allocation & designations**  
**\$83,793**  
**Paid out in 2016**

# Your Gift Can Help Change a Life!

## Give five minutes a day!

If you earn an average wage of  
\$15 per hour = .25 per minute

5 minutes a day, \$1.25/day, \$6.25/week  
=\$25/month = \$300 a year.

or

\$5.00 per month, just \$60 per year can  
provide 198 meals for families in need.

## Why give through Payroll Deduction?

1. **It is an easy way to investment in your community and help change lives.**
2. **One donor form, filled out once a year, gives all year.**
4. **Pay stub and a copy of your donor form are a receipt of your charitable donation for IRS purposes.**
5. **No need to worry about writing checks or whether you paid your pledge each month.**
6. **Your pay stub is a reminder that you are making a difference.**
7. **Your gift provides funding that helps support community programs all year.**
8. **Your gift works for the common good of the community.**

**"Support Your Community"**

**By designating your pledge to  
United Way of Columbia County  
Community Impact Fund.**

# Where Your Dollars Helped!

### Turning Point Community Center

We had a dad with a young child help as a volunteer. He worked with us for about a year, learning customer service skills and daily decision making. His family also received monthly food boxes. During this time he was able to learn skills that helped him obtain work in a restaurant to provide for his family. We also helped him obtain his food handlers card, which is required for these jobs. He started out as part time employee and has since moved to a full time position and being self-sufficient.

### Progress Center The Tracking Learning Children Program (TLC)

"Amy" was a client of the Progress Center Tracking Learning Children Program, which is funded by the United Way. Her family completed and returned developmental questionnaires to Progress Center every few months. When "Amy" was two years old, her questionnaire indicated that she may have a communication delay. The TLC staff contacted "Amy's" mother and her mother expressed concern about her daughter's communication skills. Amy was referred for a developmental evaluation and was able to begin receiving early intervention services to help her reach her communication milestones. Due to the safety net of Tracking Learning Children (TLC) program, "Amy" was able to access supportive services at a very early age and she met the developmental expectations for her age within one year.

### CAT – Emergency Housing

A single father with two children lost his housing and job after a bad divorce. He moved in with family for a limited time. We were able to help him move into an apartment. By combining help from CAT, United Way funds and private donations. Now his situation is more stable

***"Neighbors Helping Neighbors"***

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