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United Way of Clallam County

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LETTER FROM THE CEO LEADING THE WAY

At United Way, we believe that everyone who lives and works in Clallam County deserves the opportunity to thrive. We support **Youth Opportunity**, **Financial Security**, and **Healthy Community** initiatives to address urgent needs and promote resilience, health, and stability for all. That's why we mobilize the caring power of our neighbors, businesses, and community partners to lead transformational change.

Day in and out, United Way of Clallam County works to meet the most critical needs in our community. In every stage of life, we are there leading the change. We provide books from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to our youngest learners. We support those starting college or getting back into the workforce with student financial aid resources. We fund nonprofits with grants to support those who are struggling to pay rent, utilities, and more. **Together we are working towards a future where everyone can reach their full potential.**

We believe that when we come together as a team, there's no challenge that can't be solved. That's why we're inviting you to join us in **Leading the Way** toward positive change across Clallam County. This is more than a campaign – it is a call to action for us to advance solutions to real problems facing people in the communities where we live and work.

We're counting on generous people like you to help improve the lives of those in our community who need us most. Inside this report, you can read the many ways United Way of Clallam County provided impact dollars, grants, and scholarships totaling \$1,691,992 during the past campaign year. You will see the names of our partners and learn more about our Community Foundation and how it supports the work we do. This year, we hope you will unite with us to support even more people.

Together, let's Lead the Way and make great things happen for people who call Clallam County home!

Christy Smith, CEO & The United Way of Clallam County Team

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THE NEED

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed, and represents a growing number of families who are unable to afford the basics of housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and technology. These workers keep our local

communities running, while often struggling to keep their own households from financial ruin. ALICE may be a relative or friend. You may be ALICE. As cashiers, waiters, childcare providers, and other members of our essential workforce, ALICE earns above the Federal Poverty Level but less than what it costs to make ends meet. These struggling households are forced to make impossible choices every day. We feel strongly that no one should have to choose between necessities like child care and healthy food, or transportation and healthcare.

More than half of all households in Western Clallam County are below the poverty line or live paycheck to paycheck. **1 in 3** veterans living with a disability in WA are not able to meet their basic needs.



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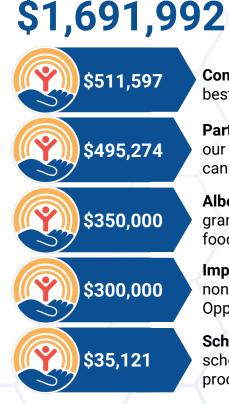
The number of Clallam County children in danger of falling into poverty is among **the highest in the state**.

ALICE IN CLALLAM COUNTY



INVESTED IN CLALLAM COUNTY

All of our impact areas support ALICE families and aim to provide the kind of lasting stability that will allow these households to move away from the brink and into lifelong financial security.



Community Care Fund: We reinvest this money into our hardworking nonprofit partners. This is the best way to make the biggest impact in our community.

Partner Allocations & Designations: Allocations are distributed to partner agencies as determined by our Board of Directors and Funds Distribution Committee. Designations to any nonprofit organization can by made by donors at the time of giving.

Albert Haller Foundation: Since 1994, we have partnered with the Albert Haller Foundation to review grant applications and make recommendations for funding projects in Clallam County that provide food, housing, clothing, and medical care.

Impact Funding: Our Board of Directors and Funds Distribution Committee selected six human service nonprofit agencies for programs directly connected to our impact areas of Healthy Community, Youth Opportunity, and Financial Security.

Scholarships & Grants to Teachers: Through the gifts of generous private donors, we provide scholarships and grants to teachers and students throughout Clallam County. Most of the application processes open annually in the spring.

FUNDRAISING SOURCES \$861,381

Grants	Events	Corporate Donations	Employee Giving	Individual Donors
\$190,000	\$76,198	\$178,383	\$133,235	\$283,565

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We are grateful to the businesses, organizations, and people who make our work possible. THANK YOU for helping to create lasting change in Clallam County!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

FUNDRAISING EVENTS: \$76,198

Celebrate United | Campaign Kickoff Galentine's Day | Hosted by Women United Live United Prom | Awards Ceremony Hike United | Hike-a-Thon

WOMEN UNITED

Women United is an affinity group where women can come together to build skills and help women in need in Clallam County.

Wild Wheels | Retro roller skating party fundraiser in downtown Port Angeles.

Rekindling Joy for the Holidays | Luncheon with presentations by local female entrepreneurs. Galentine's Day | Fundraiser with a focused on domestic violence.

DAY OF CARING

For Day of Caring 2023, United Way of Clallam County partnered with Peninsula Housing Authority (PHA) on the Mutual Self-Help Housing Program in Forks. Members of the community and United Way staff spent the day working on two different houses Ultimately, this effort resulted in five Forks families achieving a crucial amount of financial stability by finally owning their own homes.

CLALLAM COMMUNITY The Clallam Community Foundation is a long-term investment fund for United FOUNDATIO Way and other Foundation Partner Organizations. Distributions are made from the earnings while the principal of each fund is preserved as a permanent endowment.

United Way Funds: The Clallam Community Foundation distributed \$1,780,642 during the 2023 - 24 campaign year.

Partner Organizations Funds: The Clallam Community Foundation creates an opportunity for partner organizations to develop an endowment fund within the Foundation. This strengthens the agency's financial health and increases its ability to provide essential services to local community members.

Clallam Mosaic Clallam County Literacy Council North Olympic Library Foundation Olympic Peninsula YMCA Peninsula Behavioral Health

Named Funds: Families or individuals who make a gift of \$25,000 or more can start a Named Fund within the Foundation, as long as it meets the Foundation's overall charitable guidelines.

Market Value of Clallam County

ASSETS: \$6,667,743

Foundation as of 3/31/2024

A & J Minton Scholarship | Albert and Helen Mangan Fund The Bright, Haygood, Copsey Fund | Dick and Peggy Owens Fund The Carol Munro Fund | The Fish Family Fund | William Hardman Fund The Hull Family Fund | The Jenny Steelquist Art Saves Lives Scholarship The Mac & Phyllis Munro Scholarship Fund | The McCool Family Fund

IMPACT AREAS

HEALTHY COMMUNITY Improving health & wellbeing for all

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY Helping young people realize their full potential

FINANCIAL SECURITY Building financial stability & strength

COMMUNITY RESILIENCY Addressing urgent needs

today for a better tomorrow

Through a partnership with Peninsula College, we provided funds to help students pursuing careers in Early Childhood Education.

347 people were assisted by our Student Financial Aid Liaison in their search for financial aid for college or career training.

sponding in times of need Emergency Preparedness Fund Community resource hub

United Way of Clallam County is working collaboratively with other organizations that have a stake and/or expertise in the areas related to housing and homelessness: Homelessness Task Force & **Housing Solutions Committee.**



7 high school students lettered in Community Service through YOUTH UNITED for a total of 1,093 volunteer hours.

Access to physical & mental healthcare Maternal & child health **Food security**

16,284 free books were sent to Clallam County children through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.



IMPACT FUNDING

United Way of Clallam County's Board of Directors and Funds Distribution Committee selected six human service nonprofit agencies for impact funding. Each of these organizations was awarded \$50,000 to support programs directly connected to United Way's impact areas.

\$50,000 each to Mariposa House & St. Andrew's Place to support housing.

\$50,000 | YMCA toward creating more early childhood education spaces.

\$50,000 each to **Forks Community Food Bank** & St. Vincent de Paul to provide basic needs.

\$50,000 **Clallam Mosaic** to create a safe place for their clients and programs.

YOUR GIVING GOES FURTHER WITH UNITED WAY

"United Way is the best way for you to make the biggest impact in our community. Through the Community Care Fund, we are able to take your donation and combine it with the donations of everyone else in Clallam County and then send it where it will do the most good in Clallam County." -Christy Smith, CEO United Way of Clallam County

HEALTHY COMMUNITY - Improving health & wellbeing for all

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY - Helping young people realize their full potential

FINANCIAL SECURITY - Building financial stability & strength

COMMUNITY RESILIENCY - Addressing urgent needs today for a better tomorrow

"United Way seeds programs that otherwise wouldn't be able to start." -Elisia Anderson, Executive Director, **First Step Family Support Center** "Through the impact grant from United Way, we now have this incredible space." -Bonnie Smith, Board President, **Clallam Mosaic**

"One of the things I think that is really great about the United Way is it tackles a lot of the issues we have in our community. I focus on our seniors, but I do care about the other things: the kids, literacy, healthy families. And I know that by supporting United Way, I'm also supporting those causes." -Laura Dodd, Administrator, **St. Andrew's Place Assisted Living**

GIVE TODAY

Please join us in making an impact in our community by donating at www.UnitedWayClallam.org or mailing this form to:



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