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Proudly serving our local
community.



2021-2022 Annual Report

Our Mission:

To increase the organized capacity of our community to care for its people.
Visit us at unitedwayvfc.org to learn more.



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MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD CHAIR



Dustin Smurdon

A year seems to pass by quickly when you're working hard to improve the community. Our 2021-22 year at the United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties was filled with strategic changes and organizational commitments to build a better and more inclusive community. I have had the pleasure to work with some of the best leaders, both volunteer and staff, through my role as the Board Chair.

We began the year by committing to a stronger focus on diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) initiatives thanks to the support of our internal DEI Workgroup comprised of staff and board members. We implemented a new Executive Committee position focused on United Way's DEI activities and advancing our DEI practices.

United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties

Thanks to this group and the leadership of Dr. Sherryl Weems, we improved our DEI positioning, awarded 3 DEI mini-grants to grassroots nonprofits, and recorded over 200 volunteer hours focused on learning and growing into a more inclusive organization.

Leadership also began the process of considering our new strategic direction, including a building move. Thanks to the work of an ad hoc task force, we not only identified the best path forward with a physical location that better fits our changing business model, but began conversations about how to grow our business in a sustainable way through a stronger focus on the Community Foundation.

Our annual campaign continues to see the lingering effects of COVID. The toll of the pandemic has resulted in decreased presentations at local businesses. However, the support of individual donors has breathed new life into the work we're doing. We increased our Tocqueville major donors this year and rekindled relationships with many donors that we lost touch with due to COVID. Through it all, we were still able to distribute over \$1.2 million to 23 local programs to aid their impactful work.

There is so much that our organization has accomplished over the last year and as we look forward to 2022-23, I am excited to continue as the Board Chair. This continuity will allow me to finish some of the projects we started this year and lead the organization by always focusing on the community in which we serve. We hope you continue to partner with the United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties as we embark on our 82nd year of service to the community.

Board Members



Brooks Casey

Joe Morreale

Ryan Page

Belkys Stallings

Ivan Cosimi

Kate Meyering

David Petracca

Bobby Thigpen

Carmen Hall

Janet Miller

Maritza Rodriguez

Lisa Viccaro

Matthew Horton

Nicole Miller

Greg Sullivan

Michelle Walker

Karen Jacobs

Ed Noseworthy

Heather Shubirg

Maureen Walsh

Kim McBee

Nicholas Prince

Dustin Smurdon

Dr. Sherryl Weems

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



Field Trip to Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Statue

The United Way's DEI workgroup took their first field trip to learn more about Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune. Staff and a board member participated in an exhibition that included an historical view of her remarkable life. The tour also included an up close viewing of a statue in her honor.

She was a passionate educator, advocate and founder of Bethune Cookman University. She grew up in a large family of 19 and was a child of a former slave. In 1904 the family moved to Daytona Beach and Bethune founded the Daytona Educational and Industrial School for Negro Girls. In 1923 Bethune successfully negotiated the merger of her school in Daytona with the Cookman Institute in Jacksonville, Florida. She led war bond drives, blood donation drives and encouraged African American women to staff the canteens that dotted the country. The statue stands 11 feet tall and was relocated to the Capitol building in Washington D.C on July 12, 2022. Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune is the first African American to be in the Capitol.

Foreman, A., 2022. The Extraordinary Life of Mary McLeod Bethune | The National WWII Museum | New Orleans. [online] The National WWII Museum | New Orleans. Available at: <<https://www.nationalww2museum.org/war/articles/mary-mcleod-bethune>> [Accessed 18 July 2022].

Accomplishments

98%
-100%

Training
Completed

19/19

Benchmarks
Accomplished

51
Responses

DEI Survey

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

\$10,000

Awarded Amount to DEI initiative

Supporting diversity in our community, the Community Foundation invested in:

- Command K9 Service Dogs
- High Hopes Housing
- African American Entrepreneur Association

The DEI workgroup collaborated with Daytona State College to help organize their Fall DEI Symposium along with CareerSource Flagler/Volusia and Volusia/Flagler Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM).



Community Foundation Serves Our Community

1. Helps donors with expert community knowledge and tax efficient charitable solutions for the causes that matter the most to them.
2. Partners with community nonprofit organizations to extend expert support for financial sustainability and operational excellence.
3. Manages charitable assets for the long-term benefit of our community.



Driven By Passion to Have a Purpose

2021-2022 Grant History

Number of Grants	Number of Nonprofits Funded
117	49

Amount Funded

\$1,123,922.60

Andrea and Larry Frank Endowment Fund

Field of Interest Fund- Andrea and Larry Frank established their endowed charitable fund to help support the long-term financial sustainability of successful prevention programs that address the basic needs of food, shelter, health care, education and keeping family units together in Volusia and Flagler counties.

Ormond Beach Historical Society Endowment Fund

Agency Fund - The Ormond Beach Historical Society Endowment Fund provides support for the long-term financial sustainability of the historical society's important work to create a culturally vibrant community by preserving and sharing the rich history of Ormond Beach.

Doudna, Nedved, DuBose Charitable Fund

Donor Advised Fund - Established by Dr. Donald and Janice Doudna to work together with their own children to help all children in our community succeed. Through their charitable fund, the Doudna family supports programs that promote childhood literacy and address the needs of at-risk children in Volusia and Flagler counties.

Types of Passion Funds

Donor Advised Funds
Donor Designated Funds
Field of Interest Funds
Scholarship Funds
Every Dollar Gets Empowered
"EDGE" Fund
Nonprofit Agency Funds
United Way Endowment Fund
United Way Unrestricted Fund

Established Passion Funds

Andrea and Larry Frank Donor Advised Fund
Andrea and Larry Frank Endowment Fund
Anonymous Fund
Barberville Pioneer Settlement Endowment Fund
Booher Family Foundation Fund
Christine's Blankets
Doudna, Nedved, DuBose Charitable Fund
Francis B. Gadbois Fund
FERENCE Family Endowment Fund for the Ormond Memorial Art Museum, Inc.
FERENCE Family Endowment Fund for the Washington Oaks Gardens State Park
Gilbert Koch Endowed Fund for the Arc of Volusia
Gilbert Koch Endowed Fund for the Beacon Center
God's Bathhouse of Volusia Charitable Fund

Futures, Inc. Endowment Fund – Arlan J. and Dale Horwitz Clayton Scholarship
H.E.L.P. Fund of Southeast Volusia
Kelton Family Fund
Margaret Julie Kent Fund
Ormond Beach Historical Society Endowment Fund
Someone Cares – An Endowment in Honor of Gloria & Ray Max
Tiki Fund
United Way Community Endowment Fund
United Way EDGE Fund
United Way Unrestricted Fund

Gerald "Gil" Koch Endowed Passion Funds



Mr. Koch, was an elderly gentleman experiencing some health issues and considering his wishes for his estate plan. Gil and his wife, Kay, had been passionate about charitable causes for many years. Their son was challenged by disability and enjoyed over 30 years of wonderful care provided by a local nonprofit agency, The Arc of Volusia. Also, Kay and their daughter had previously worked with women and children in difficult family situations. They came to know and support another local nonprofit, The Beacon Center, which provides empowering services to survivors of domestic violence.

Mr. Koch's charitable goals included providing support for The Arc of Volusia and The Beacon Center through increased giving for the remainder of his life and continued support after his passing. Through collaboration with the attorney, accountant and the Community Foundation Mr. Koch was able to ensure his charitable passions and goals were to be met. Mr. Koch passed away in 2021. In 2022 the Gilbert Koch Endowed Fund for the Beacon Center and the Gilbert Koch Endowed Fund for The ARC of Volusia granted their first annual distributions. Additionally, following Mr. Koch's death, a Community Foundation donor read about Mr. Koch's endowed fund established for the Beacon Center and made a gift to increase Mr. Koch's fund and its benefit to the Beacon Center.



Nonprofits We Served

Astronaut Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
Barberville Pioneer Settlement
Beacon Center
Boy Scouts of America
Boys & Girls Club of Volusia/Flagler
Catholic Charities of Central Florida Inc.
Christine's Blankets
Conklin Davis Center for the Visually Impaired
Creative Happiness Institute, Inc.
Daytona State College Foundation, Inc.
Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Statuary Fund, Inc.
Early Learning Coalition of Flagler and Volusia
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Inc.
Family Enterprise USA
Family Renew Community, Inc.
Family Worship Center, Inc.

First Christian Church
First United Methodist Church of Port Orange
Flagler Beach Historical Museum, Inc.
Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches
Florida State University Foundation
Food Brings Hope, Inc.
Futures Foundation, Inc.
Gifts of Love Community Coalition, Inc.
Girl Scouts of Citrus Council, Inc.
God's Bathhouse of Volusia, Inc.
Good News Jail & Prison Ministry
Halifax Health - Hospice
Halifax Health Foundation
Halifax Historical Society
Halifax Humane Society, Inc.
Halifax Urban Ministries, Inc.
Help a Diabetic Child, Inc.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway Foundation, Inc.
Jewish Federation of Volusia & Flagler Counties
Jewish Heritage Festival
Lighthouse Christ Presbyterian Church
Motorsports Hall of Fame of America
Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church
Ponce De Leon Inlet Lighthouse Preservation Assoc.
Provision Packs
Salty Ministries, Inc.
Seabreeze High School
Second Harvest Food Bank of Central FL, Inc.
Team Western Kentucky Tornado Relief Fund
Temple Beth-El
The ARC of Volusia Inc.
Volusia Basket Brigade Corp.
United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties



Scan the QR Code to learn more
about The Community Foundation

Community Foundation 2021 Herbert M. Davidson Award for Community Service



2021 Award Recipient
Joe Petrock and Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune



2021 Young Leader Award Recipient
Chris Via



The award is named in honor of the late Herbert M. Davidson, former publisher of the Daytona Beach News-Journal. Mr. Davidson was a community leader, a business leader, a journalism pioneer, a civil rights leader, a patron of the arts and a philanthropist. His legacy and that of his family continues to impact the community. The recipients of this award perpetuate his community spirit.

Board Members



Abha Bhandair

Dr. Audrey Butler

Alyson G Bryant

Brittani Preschel

Donald Doudna

Greg Motto

Greg J. Sullivan

Jane Katona

Kathleen Dulko

Michael Chiumento

Preston Root

Rene Bell Adams

Roosevelt Harris

Randy Dye

Zayna Gibson

Financials



Campaign

\$1,605,103.61



Women United

\$173,088.91



Grants

\$100,353.25



Community Foundation (\$915,398.31)*



Programs and other

\$36,048.04

\$999,195.50

Total Revenue

Thank You
Corporate Donors

\$500,000 +

Publix

\$50,000 +



Brown & Brown
INSURANCE®

 **NASCAR™**

Root Organization



Intracoastal
Bank

\$25,000 +

Florida Power and Light
County of Volusia

City of Daytona Beach
Edgewell Personal Care

\$10,000

United Parcel Service
Volusia County School
Wells Fargo
Truist
Bank of America

Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ.
Advent Health
Ring Power
Votran
LPGA

Thank You TOCQUEVILLE



"I must say that I have seen Americans make a great deal of real sacrifices to the public welfare; and have noticed a hundred instances in which they hardly ever failed to lend a faithful support to one another."

Alexis Charles-Henri de Tocqueville



The United Way Tocqueville Society provides an opportunity for people to become more passionately involved in United Way's mission and create lasting change by tackling our community's most serious issues. The Society is named after Alexis de Tocqueville because of his admiration for the spirit of voluntary action on behalf of the common good, which he observed while traveling North America in the 1830's.

Thank You to our Tocqueville Members:

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce E. Page
Mrs. Carol Hjorth
Mr. & Mrs. J. Hyatt Brown
Mrs. Dianne Booher
Mr. Howard Jenkins
Mr. & Mrs. J. Powell Brown

Mr. & Mrs. James C. France
Mrs. Lesa Kennedy
Lacey Family Charitable Foundation
Tiki Fund
Wayne P. and Dr. Robin Roberts

Our Funded Partners

2021-2022

ACA
atlantic center for the arts

Total = \$1,237,100


BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF VOLUSIA/FLAGLER COUNTIES

COA
COUNCIL ON AGING


Beacon
Center


easterseals
Northeast
Central Florida

Early Learning Coalition
of Flagler & Volusia

Family Life Center


FRC
FAMILY RENEW COMMUNITY

FlaglerCares
Helping People. Transforming Communities. Changing Lives.


Flagler County
Education Foundation

Healthy Start
Coalition of Flagler & Volusia Counties, Inc.
Strengthening Our Future

Head Start
Mid Florida Community Services
Early Head Start

pace
Center for Girls.



SMA
HEALTHCARE

THE HOUSE NEXT DOOR

Nurturing Families
Building Communities

The
Neighborhood
Center
"A Place with a Heart" 


Coalition for the Homeless
Volusia/Flagler County

Community Impact

Education



6,245

children achieved
mid-year milestones

96%

of youth on target to make
successful transition into,
through and out of K-12

Health



3,545

individuals served

784

clients served
showed improved
mental health

Financial Stability



1,676

individuals served

70%

of families and
individuals were able
to maintain housing



Volunteer Center

Total Volunteers
997



Total Volunteer Hours
17,250



Value of Volunteer Hours
\$438,654



Getting Down in the Dirt with Corporations

United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties helps partner businesses or partners, large and small, to fulfill service opportunities. We partner with other non-profits like YMCA'S Camp Winona in De Leon Spring. Companies such as Publix, Target and Biomat USA helped clear the area and made it safe for the youth to enjoy. United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties knows the needs of the community and can help foster great experiences while also creating an awesome impact.



Driving Students to Success

Back to school is an exciting time for students... but it is hard for the teachers to make sure they have everything needed for a successful school year. Sparton an Elbit Systems of America Company saw a need and decided to adopt Louise S. McInnis

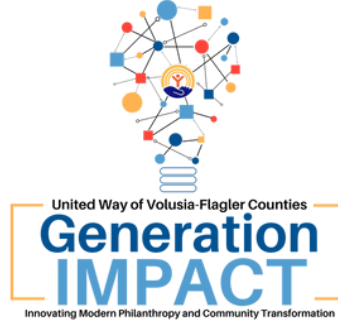
Elementary School and donate school supplies. With the help of United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties, they were able to donate school supplies to six classrooms, from Kindergarten to Fifth grade. The school was delighted to see all the donations!



Want to get involved?

Go to <https://uwvfc.galaxydigital.com>

Affinity Groups



Generation Impact continued to give back to the community through their annual Social Innovation Fund Competition. In January they awarded \$10,000 to High School and College student's projects in Volusia and Flagler Counties. Projects that were funded in the 2021-2022 cycle included: L.E.A.D. Children, Project Haiti, Pandemic Win, and Volusia Giving Gardens. In addition, Generation Impact is known for their dedicated volunteer efforts such as helping build furniture for classrooms at Easterseals throughout the year. In total Generation Impact volunteered over 230 hours in 2021-2022.



Together, Women United Volusia and Women United Flagler raised and distributed over \$100,000 in 2021-2022. These motivated women distributed shoes, helped feed the hungry, ensured kids have the tools to succeed in school and made sure local nonprofits have the financial resources to help women and children in need. Through hard work and commitment, they are creating measurable, long-term change for future generations. These volunteers continue to focus on the root causes of some of our community's biggest issues and pool their resources to create a collective impact.

Our Team



Courtney Edgcomb
President and CEO



Amanda Lasecki
Vice President,
Operations



Sheila Pillath
Vice President,
Resource Development



David Jones
Vice President,
Community Foundation



Bill Babiez
Vice President, Finance



Veronica Brindley
Finance Supervisor



Lawrence Anderson
Community Partnerships
Manager



Francine Martin
Community Impact
Senior Manager



Nanett Fisher
Executive Assistant



Tara Osouli
Resource Development
Senior Manager



Alyssa Lang
Marketing Manager



VITA

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

Tax Returns Prepared in 2022 Tax Season	2,081
Total in Returns	\$2,682,780.00
Total Volunteers	77
Total Volunteer Hours	5,547



Community Partnerships



Emergency Food and Shelter

Total Funds Dispersed
Across 8 Agencies:

\$809,517



Share the Light Fund

Total Funds Dispersed in
partnership with Neighborhood
Center of West Volusia:

\$15,493



Get Connected. Get Help.™

Total Number of
Callers

23,303

Top 3 Needs:

- Electric Assistance
- Rental Assistance
- Disaster-Related Cash Assistance

Publix.

Emergency Fund

Total Funds Dispersed in
partnership with Catholic
Charities of Central Florida:

\$44,492

65 Individuals Assisted

What is Next for UWVFC



United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties continues to grow and help the community in need. After 30-plus years of being in the same location on 3747 W. International Speedway Blvd., United Way is moving locations in 2022-2023.



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