

2024 -
2025

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT Calendar

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Get involved at unitedwayhelps.org/volunteer

Employee Engagement Program

United Way will create engagement opportunities for your employees, whether it's through giving to causes they care about, volunteering with organizations doing incredible work, or advocating on behalf of those less fortunate.

Discuss your goals, priorities and work to create a customized plan that includes opportunities for employees to give and volunteer throughout the year.

Customized Projects

United Way is here to help make your team building volunteer opportunity one to remember.

Our staff will work closely with you to customize your activity so that everyone will leave energized and inspired.

We can plan the entire project from start to finish alongside a company team leader. The projects that we coordinate, order materials, manage and lead must have a budget to cover the cost of the event and materials.

Do it Yourself

Whether you want to tie fleece blankets or clean up a whole neighborhood, our Volunteer Director can design the perfect volunteer project for you or your entire group.

Call us today to volunteer and create lasting change in our community.

Visit our website to download our DIY Volunteer Projects. unitedwayhelps.org/volunteer.

Donations Always Needed

Kids Outdoor Winter Items
(Coats, gloves, hats, boots)

School Supplies
(pencils, glue sticks, highlighters, ruler, calculator, notebooks)

Healthy Breakfast Options for Kids
(oatmeal, granola/protein bars, applesauce, etc.)

Quick Weekend Meals
(Easy Mac, canned soup, PB&J, easy to heat meals, microwavable preferred)

Basic Needs
(Travel size shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, tampons, soap, etc.)



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United Way
of Central Minnesota

For more information or to get involved: unitedwayhelps.org/volunteer or 320-223-7991

SEASONS OF Caring



2024

SUMMER - FALL

WINTER - SPRING

2025

JULY



ALL MONTH
School Supply Drive

Help us collect supplies for students.

AUGUST



15th
School Supply Drive Drop Off Deadline

Drop off school supply donations at United Way of Central Minnesota.



7th
Gather the Village

Highlighting how organizations and nonprofits work collectively to change systems and have positive impact in Central Minnesota.

SEPTEMBER



5th
Annual Meeting

Join us for a report of our accomplishments & financial report from the previous year.



16th - 20th
Days of Caring

Join Central Minnesota volunteers in our largest volunteer opportunity of the year.

OCTOBER



ALL MONTH
Socktober Collection Drive

Help us collect new socks and underwear for all ages.



22nd
United Way Day at the Zoo

Join us at the Hemker Park & Zoo and part of your admission price will be donated to United Way!



27th
Project Connect

This event offers people within our community the opportunity to access services offered by governmental, non-profits and other agencies.



25th
EPIC

High school students participate in exploring potential interests & careers.

NOVEMBER



ALL MONTH
Winter Needs Drive

Visit our webpage for donation list.



15th
LIVE UNITED Essay Contest

Due date for 5th grade students to submit their essays for our contest.



21st
United Way Education Convening

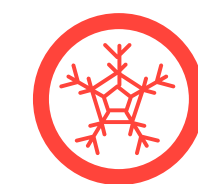
Learn more about our work, meet other partners, hear stories of impact.



22nd
Board Training

This one day session will walk you through the expectations and requirements of serving on any nonprofit board.

DECEMBER



ALL MONTH
Winter Needs Drive

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JANUARY



ALL MONTH
BASIC NEEDS & MORE

Help us collect hygiene items for youth in local schools.

FEBRUARY



11th
211 Day

This day recognizes 211. 211 is a free, confidential information and referral service that connects more than 93 percent of our nation to essential health and human services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year either online or over the phone.

MARCH



ALL MONTH
Support Local Food Shelves

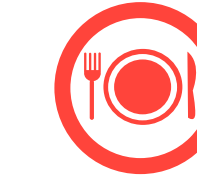
Drop off non-perishable food donations at our office as part of Minnesota Food Share Month.

APRIL



20th - 26th
National Volunteer Week

Join us as we celebrate all of our amazing volunteers!



TBD
Imagination Library Progressive Dinner
Join us for a unique dining experience to benefit Imagination Library.



22nd
Llama Llama Read a Rama
FREE event for families with young children. Enjoy story time, crafts, snacks, llama drama, live llamas, and more.

MAY



TBD
Time for Art

Bid on local art by pledging volunteer hours instead of money.



29th
Community Celebration

Join us to celebrate our volunteers, companies and success stories over lunch.

JUNE



ALL MONTH
Day of Action
Want to help make a difference in our community? Volunteer during Day of Action!



6th
Kick Summer Hunger Human Foosball Tournament
Raise money for summer meal programs while your team steps into a life-sized foosball game.



TBD
Juneteenth Celebration
An annual community event filled with live music, games, activities, vendors, a grill off, health clinics and information, and so much more.