

UNITED WAY OF ABILENE INVESTMENTS



United Way of Abilene brings together agencies, donors, businesses, volunteers, and government to leverage resources in our community as the best means to make positive, measurable, and lasting change in our area. We focus on three areas that are critical for the success of every person: education, financial stability, and health. Over the years, we have tailored our strategies to ensure our work consistently reflects the evolving needs of our community. By making strategic, volunteer-reviewed investments in programs and collaborations that address long-term solutions, United Way helps people thrive.

UNITED WAY OF ABILENE'S FOCUS AREAS

EDUCATION

Education is key to helping more individuals in our community become self-sufficient.

- Children are safe and secure and have responsible caring adults in their lives.
- Students succeed in school.
- Students graduate and are ready for higher education or work.
- Children and youth have the tools they need to make good decisions and effectively deal with social challenges.

HEALTH

When families are healthy, they maintain a positive lifestyle in the community.

- Families have access to adequate dental and medical services.
- Families have access to nutritious meals or food supplies.
- Families develop positive habits and have resources to help them cope with challenges.

FINANCIAL STABILITY

We believe that families need to achieve economic stability to meet their basic needs.

- Families have access to affordable childcare that presents opportunities for growth and development and prepares children for school.
- Families learn to budget and save money for housing, utilities, transportation, and other expenses.
- Families have access to information, services, and support that allow them to overcome challenges to be more self-sufficient.
- Community members, including the elderly, feel secure in their home and maintain quality of life.



UNITED WAY OF ABILENE FUNDED PARTNERS

The programs and partnerships listed below received investment in 2018 - 2019. Your gifts are strategically invested in programs and collaboratives throughout our area to achieve the greatest impact. Community volunteers review every investment we make to ensure your gifts are used efficiently and effectively.

EDUCATION

Alliance for Women & Children
 After School Care
Ben Richey Boys Ranch
 Boys Residential Care
Big Brothers Big Sisters
 Mentoring
Big Country CASA
 Court Appointed Special Advocates
Boy Scouts Texas Trails Council
 ScoutReach
Boys & Girls Club of Abilene
 After School Program
 Teen Night
Center for Contemporary Arts
 ArtReach
Communities in Schools
 Student Success Coaching
Dyess Youth Programs
 Youth Programs
Girl Scouts Texas Oklahoma Plains
 Girl Scout Leadership Experience
Regional Victim Crisis Center
 Violence Prevention
ResourceCare
 ASPIRE
 Summer Day Camp
YMCA of Abilene
 Phoenix

FINANCIAL STABILITY

Abilene Hope Haven
 Bridge2Home
 Hope Housing Services
Adult Protective Services Partners
 Safety & Independence Project
Day Nursery of Abilene
 Child Care Assistance
FaithWorks of Abilene
 FaithWorks
Noah Project
 Intervention
YMCA of Abilene
 Youth Development

HEALTH

Adaptive Recreation Services
 Nutrition
Alzheimer's Association
 Family Care Program
Cancer Services Network
 Cancer Patient Assistance
MERCY Health Care Center
 Healthy Texas Women
Presbyterian Medical Care Mission
 Medical
Regional Victim Crisis Center
 Comprehensive Assistance
Southwestern Diabetic Foundation
 Camp Sweeney

CATALYST PARTNERS & SPECIAL GRANTS

Abilene Police Foundation
Abilene-Taylor Public Health
 Dental
Big Country CASA
 Capacity Building & Impact Growth
Christian Service Center
 Rent Assistance & Your Financial Freedom
FaithWorks of Abilene
 Basic Needs for Successful Internships

New Beginnings Big Country
 Prison to Paycheck Project
REACH for a Difference
 *Support Services for Children with
 Autism Spectrum Disorder*