

I have been honored for the past six years to serve with the United Way, and I never cease to be amazed at the generosity of this community; you are amazing! I would like to take a moment to reflect on the mission of United Way, which is 'United Way mobilizes resources to strengthen lives, build a caring community, and create a vision for tomorrow.'

Legendary coach John Wooden once said 'you can't live a perfect day until you do something for someone who will never be able to repay you.' Well my guess is that everyone here is blessed with perfect days because you all give so freely of your resources to many who will never be able to repay. Whether you contribute with monetary gifts, or contribute your time and skills for agency operations or serving on boards or committees, your contribution is appreciated. To those who give so generously of their monetary resources, we say thank you. To those who give of other resources, such as time and talent, we also say thank you. We are blessed with collective resources that indeed allow us to strengthen the lives of those in need in our community.

As to building a caring community, I think we need to thank those before us who built such a community of caring and support, and thank all of those here now who sustain it. We have been blessed not only with individual volunteers who come forward to help achieve our mission, but we also have been blessed with caring organizations that allow and encourage their employees to devote time and treasure to the United Way cause. You need only look around you tonight to see living proof of a community where caring for others knows no bounds. Finally, in creating a vision for tomorrow we focus largely on our youth programs. By supporting programs such as Success by Six, YMCA and YWCA, among others, it is our vision that youth with strong development support will not need the services of many of our agencies in the future. In fact, to complete the vision, they will be in a position to support our agencies, as strongly developed youth grow into contributing community members. An old proverb tells us "If you have much, give of your wealth; if you have little, give of your heart." I believe everyone here is giving from their hearts, and I pray that the Lord will continue to bless this community with generous and caring people who share in the mission of strengthening the lives of those less fortunate. May God bless you all for sharing in this mission.

Sincerely,
Vicki Gardner



United Way of Kankakee County

Dear Friends of United Way:

As another campaign comes to a close, I find myself in the position of saying "Thank You" to many! Our 2010-2011 Campaign has been one of excitement, entertainment, fun, and challenge. With the state of our economy [the past 3 years] fund raising is not always FUN, but in Kankakee County you make it easy. You continue to support our mission and what United Way stands for, with extreme passion and desire to help your family, friends and neighbors.

As you might know this United Way is staffed by only two people, but we both recognize that our strength comes from all of you, who GIVE, ADVOCATE and VOLUNTEER countless hours. From the members of the de Tocqueville Society to our future leadership givers, you all have given from your hearts to support the mission of United Way of Kankakee County and for that I am genuinely grateful! Throughout each campaign, I speak to thousands of people right here at home and something new this year was that I gave participants a little challenge called "Stand-up, Sit-down". As I asked my listeners to give a show of hands if they believed that United Way and Partner Agency programming had directly or indirectly affected their lives, an average of 10% raised their hands. Afterwards, I asked them to stand-up while I read a list of 26 items connected to our Health & Human Services programming. If they were either directly or indirectly impacted by just one of the items, please sit-down. This was an amazing demonstration to all of us; not once did I have more than 10% of any group still standing after the 26th item. Many times nobody was left standing by item number eleven! It was confirmed, "We really are all connected! LIVING UNITED!" I knew United Way of Kankakee County and its Partner Agencies were affecting many lives per year, but WOW "this is BIG!" MY TOWN, MY COMMUNITY, MY UNITED WAY became OUR TOWN, OUR COMMUNITY, OUR UNITED WAY!

I would like to thank our volunteers, donors, Employee Campaign Champions, Partner Agencies, and Members of our Board of Directors for another successful year! You continue to strengthen the bonds that make us all proud to be from Kankakee County and a part of something beyond special! Before I end, please allow one more special "Thank You" to a young man that has taught me a little bit about "putting we before me!" Kent Wade, United Way donor and Partner Agencies' client. Kent spent countless hours with me speaking to follow donors and saying "Thank you, because you helped me when you didn't even know me!" He is a special person who picked himself up and became a productive citizen and leader of our community. He is destined for greatness and I know he will never forget those that helped him when he needed it the most. Thank you, Kent, for giving so much of yourself, even when you might have had just a little to spare!

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Annual Report

2010



United Way of Kankakee County

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United Way Mission

My United Way mobilizes resources to strengthen lives, build a caring community and create a vision for tomorrow.

Vision

Leading Change... Living United

Values

We promote:
Social, emotional & physical well-being
Opportunities for life-long learning
Financial independence & self-sufficiency



Income Statement

		Unaudited 2010	Audited 2009
Revenue		\$959,687	\$960,869
EXPENDITURES	% of total	% of total	
Program/ Agency Allocations	81%	\$758,243	80% \$754,425
Management & General	8%	\$72,869	9% \$82,723
Fundraising	11%	\$104,424	11% \$102,297
Total Expenditures		\$935,536	\$939,445
Net Income (loss)		\$24,151	\$21,424
BALANCE SHEET		2010	2009
Cash at December 31		\$304,130	\$281,379
Campaign Uncollectibles		\$77,000	\$72,000

ALLOCATIONS

AGENCY	FUNDED PROGRAMS	TOTAL ALLOCATION 2010	TOTAL ALLOCATION 2009
American Red Cross	Disaster Preparedness Disaster Response	\$58,280.45	\$61,840.56
Aunt Martha's Youth Services	CCBYS Diabetes Collaborative	\$2,499.98	\$0.00
Rainbow Council Boy Scouts	Comprehensive Youth Education	\$7,868.02	\$7,645.35
Catholic Charities	Community Services Counseling Maternity Services Senior Case Management Senior Companion Elder Abuse and Neglect	\$66,998.38	\$68,786.70
Center of Hope	Hunger Program	\$23,906.04	\$18,968.32
Child Network	CASA Children's Advocacy Center (CAC)	\$24,531.50	\$24,853.19
Child Care Resource & Referral	Family, Friend and Neighbor	\$2,880.69	\$770.34
Easter Seals	Children's Services	\$8,944.12	\$13,270.56
Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana	Girl Scout Leadership Experience	\$4,066.00	\$4,234.36
Good Shepherd Manor	Day Program Infirmary/Nursing Services	\$16,595.52	\$17,983.94
Harbor House	Victim Services	\$35,152.97	\$34,885.57
Helen Wheeler Center	Family & Child Services	\$46,244.02	\$45,629.10
Hospice of Kankakee Valley	Donor designations; No further funding requested		\$3,151.91
John R. Tate Advocacy Center	Homeless Prevention Police Social Services Victim's Emergency Fund	\$31,484.96	\$31,143.55
Kankakee County Center Against Sexual Assault	Advocacy Community Outreach and Education Counseling Volunteer	\$42,653.00	\$44,331.23
Kankakee County Community Services Inc.	Senior Nutrition Senior Isolation Prevention	\$59,461.95	\$61,340.70
Kankakee County Training Center	Donor designations; No further funding requested		\$242.50
KCC Alive	Baby Talk Community Literacy	\$9,591.04	\$10,665.68
Options CIL	Independent Living/Assistive Tech Youth Advocacy	\$14,734.98	\$12,785.35
Prairie State Legal Services	Civil Legal Services	\$30,960.90	\$30,439.71
The Salvation Army	Social Services	\$79,764.14	\$82,108.86
UCP of Illinois Prairieland	Family Support Respite	\$13,141.98	\$13,058.71
YMCA	Aquatic Safety Health and Wellness Education Child Care Character Development	\$40,318.02	\$46,876.49
YWCA	Child Care	\$72,129.98	\$72,020.34
Other Donor Designations		\$23,692.35	\$14,311.17
Total Allocations		\$715,900.99	\$721,344.19