

JEFFERSON PARISH IMPACT REPORT

LIVE UNITED

95 YEARS



Mildred S. Harris Elementary School gets spruced up at United Way's Day of Action - June 2019

UNITED WAY. HERE THEN. HERE TODAY. HERE TOMORROW.

Thousands of households in Jefferson Parish are struggling – and that’s where United Way of Southeast Louisiana comes in. We fight for the most vulnerable among us. Your donation to United Way is targeted to eradicate poverty locally by supporting vulnerable households to ensure they can afford basic needs – like housing, food, transportation, child care, and health care – and save for an emergency. And we have a plan to get it done.

Our **Blueprint for Prosperity** gives us a roadmap today as we lead immediate COVID-19 relief efforts, continue our focus on eradicating poverty, and shift toward recovery. Learn more at UnitedWaySELA.org/Our-Impact.

AGENCIES & PROGRAMS SERVING JEFFERSON PARISH RESIDENTS

American Red Cross of Southeast LA
Emergency Support Services to Prepare and Prevent Financial Crisis

Arc of Greater New Orleans
Employment Services

Boy Scouts of America, SELA Council
Scouting

Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Louisiana
Increasing the Positive Impact of Boys & Girls Clubs

CADA Prevention and Recovery Center
General Counseling Program FSGNO | Project Reconnect

Cancer Association of Greater New Orleans
Cancer Patient Services

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans
Cornerstone Builders | Counseling Solutions | Greenwalk Adult Day Health Care | Parish & Community Ministries

Children’s Bureau of New Orleans
Child and Family Counseling Program

Communities in Schools Gulf Coast
Improving Outcomes with Integrated Student Supports

Community Center of St. Bernard
Community Center of St. Bernard

Dryades YMCA
Early Education Program

Family Violence Program of St. Bernard
Family Violence Program of St. Bernard

Jewish Community Center
Elderly Services

Jewish Family Service of Greater New Orleans
Counseling and Case Management

Justice and Accountability Center of LA
Returning Citizens Legal Project

Kingsley House
Adult Services | Better 2Gether (2-Gen) Program

Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities
PRIME TIME Preschool to Big School: Improving School Readiness

Louisiana Green Corps
Youth Construction and Conservation Corps

Luke’s House
Free Medical Clinic

Metro Centers for Community Advocacy
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New Orleans Family Justice Alliance
New Orleans Family Justice Center

Operation Restoration
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Royal Castle Child Development
Royal Castle Child Development Center

Salvation Army of Greater New Orleans
Family Success Center at the Center of Hope

Second Harvest Food Bank
Transforming Communities in Need

Son of a Saint
Son of a Saint

Southeast Louisiana Legal Services
Family Stabilization Project

United Negro College Fund (UNCF)
Emergency Assistance Fund

VIA LINK, Inc.
211 & TXT211 | Crisis Intervention/Suicide Prevention

Volunteers of America SELA
Mentoring Children of Promise Program

Youth Empowerment Project
YEP Educated | YEP Works

FOR 95 YEARS, United Way of Southeast Louisiana has been a trusted partner in improving lives in Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Plaquemines, and Washington parishes.

\$1,039,440

tax refunds awarded through VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program)

\$610,758

in assets purchased through IDA (Individual Development Accounts)

\$454,446

in Emergency Food and Shelter Funding

\$613,500

in Hospitality Cares Crisis Grants awarded

\$232,924

in FamilyWise Prescription Savings

\$1 DONATED GENERATED \$5.56 IN COMMUNITY IMPACT

United Way funds 77 programs across Southeast Louisiana as part of our holistic approach to eradicating poverty and creating equitable communities where all individuals are healthy, educated, and financially stable.

A Jefferson Parish Success Story

Since the onset of COVID-19 began in March, hundreds of thousands of Southeast Louisiana neighbors suddenly found themselves in need of food assistance, many for the first time.

Elizabeth* lost her home in Katrina and had been living in an increasingly expensive apartment in Metairie ever since. The pandemic's impacts left her facing a food shortage in her household at a time when she was also experiencing personal financial struggles.

Elizabeth visited a Second Harvest emergency food distribution center, funded with help from United Way, to help feed her family and make ends meet. Her words share the sentiment heard countless times since March, "I never thought I would need to visit a food pantry, but God is good, and we will get through this. Thank you for this blessing."

**Name changed to protect client privacy*



United Way is proud to join partners like Second Harvest Food Bank to help meet the basic needs of our most vulnerable neighbors.

NEED HELP? Visit UnitedWaySELA.org/HELP

DIAL 211

The 211 Contact Center provides information and referral to health and human service agencies utilizing the VIA LINK Community Resource Directory. Available 24/7 by dialing 211.

VITA

IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals.

FAMILYWIZE

The pharmacy discount card is FREE for everyone. Whether or not you have health insurance coverage, you are eligible to begin saving on your prescription medications today.

IDA

Our IDA (Individual Development Account) program is designed to help low-income participants save money through a matched-savings program.

MYFREETAXES.COM

Provides free state and federal tax preparation and filing assistance for qualified individuals. It's easy, safe, secure and 100% FREE.

HOSPITALITY CARES

Provides crisis grants for emergency financial assistance to individuals working in the hospitality industry, in partnership with the Louisiana Hospitality Foundation.

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