

OUR MISSION

To Eradicate Poverty in Southeast Louisiana.

For nearly 100 years, United Way of Southeast Louisiana has been working to meet the needs of vulnerable families in our region.

We make sure your dollar goes further by taking a collective impact approach - working at all levels of society to create meaningful change - to maximize your investment and meet the specific needs of your community.

We leverage our expertise, resources, and partnerships to meet your most pressing needs, creating a stronger, more equitable Washington Parish where everyone is healthy, educated, and financially stable.

The results? A vibrant, equitable, and thriving Washington Parish for all.

BUILDING HOUSES, CREATING HOMES

Chantel* learned she was expecting a baby girl. Living with her mother at the time, she knew it was time to find her own place. Chantel was fortunate to be accepted into a Habitat for Humanity program, but she needed extra help to make homeownership a reality. Thanks to the United Way of Southeast Louisiana's matched-savings program, she was able to save the funds needed for her closing costs.



*Name and image changed for client privacy

Offering financial capability programs is just one way United Way of Southeast Louisiana is helping build pathways to prosperity for everyone. From training for high-wage jobs to expanding access to quality early education, we know it'll take a holistic approach to eradicate poverty in our region. Thank you for standing with us to ensure more people like Chantel and our entire community thrive.

Together, we can make more impact than any one of us could create alone.



WASHINGTON PARISH DEMOGRAPHICS*

Population: 45,794 · Number of Households: 17,367

Median Household Income: \$39,168 (state average: \$52,087)

ALICE Households: 35% (state average: 32%)

Households in Poverty: 25% (state average: 19%)

Labor Force Participation Rate: 51.6%

Source: 2023 ALICE Report



\$356,986 IN UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

RAISED BY WASHINGTON PARISH 2022-2023 CAMPAIGN

Includes dollars raised by Washington workplace employees that reside outside the parish.

An additional \$6,292 raised in funds designated to nonprofits across SELA and beyond – per donors' request.

ACTIVE WASHINGTON PARISH CAMPAIGNS

Eight companies and organizations in Washington Parish conduct an annual United Way Campaign. These workplace campaigns take place between July 1 and March 30.

\$3,008,004 INVESTED & RETURNED TO WASHINGTON PARISH

13,533 WASHINGTON PARISH RESIDENTS SERVED

Does not include services provided to individuals working in the parish and living elsewhere or individuals served that did not provide residential data.

UWSELA IN WASHINGTON: BY THE NUMBERS

\$69,596	granted to programs serving Washington Parish residents via UWSELA.
\$28,350	in utility bill assistance provided to 189 households through our partnership with Entergy.
\$3,806	in supplies delivered to local schools through our partnership with WDSU.
\$108,604	invested in seven families through our Hurricane Ida Long-Term Recovery Group.
\$3,613	in savings on prescriptions through our partnership with SingleCare.
\$129,500	in asset purchases (e.g., home, car) through our Individual Development Account (IDA) Project.
2,664,535	in estimated CCAP allocations for 3,400 Washington Parish youth in 2023 resulting from UWSELA's 2022 advocacy efforts to increase state funding.

United Way of Southeast Louisiana SERVING WASHINGTON PARISH RESIDENTS

United Way of Southeast Louisiana offers an array of services in Washington Parish designed to help eradicate poverty, including:

FUNDED AGENCIES

United Way provides grants to 13 programs (2023-26), including the Bogalusa YMCA.

See full list on the following page.

UWSELA PROSPERITY CENTER

Our one-stop financial capability center offers an array of free programming to residents, including financial education and coaching, credit building and counseling, benefits screening, and more.

MOVING FAMILIES FORWARD

Designed to keep families in their homes and their children in their school of origin to allow them to succeed. Case managers work intensely with families for up to 18 months to create a plan for the family to stabilize and thrive.

IDA PROJECT

A matched-savings account program helping low-income individuals purchase long-term assets.

THRIVING AFRICAN-AMERICAN SMALL BUSINESS INITIATIVE

A small business investment and education program aimed at closing the racial wealth gap and addressing barriers faced by small Black-owned businesses.

Washington Parish resident and Thriving African-American Small Business Initiative participant Denise Robinson.

Denise owns Perfectly Vinyl Prints by D & B LLC.

Learn more at UnitedWaySELA.org/TAASB.



UWSELA 2023 - 2026 FUNDED AGENCIES & PROGRAMS SERVING WASHINGTON PARISH RESIDENTS

American Red Cross serving Southeast Louisiana

Disaster Services

Bogalusa YMCA

Youth Development

CADA Prevention and Recovery Center

Project Reconnect

Counseling Services

Cancer Association of Louisiana

Cancer Patient Services

College Beyond

College Success Program Multi-institutional Microgrant Support & Expansion

Dental Lifeline Network - Louisiana

Donated Dental Services (DDS)

Family Violence Program of St. Bernard

FVP of St. Bernard

Louisiana Appleseed Center for Law & Justice

Heirs' Property in Louisiana

Northlake Homeless Coalition

NHC Coordinated Access and Assessment System

Operation Restoration

Operation Social Services

Safe Harbor

SH Program

Second Harvest Food Bank of Greater New Orleans and Acadiana

Fighting Hunger and Feeding Hope in Southeast Louisiana

Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany

OPTIONS



United Way of Southeast Louisiana

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