

About United Way Quad Cities

Our Mission: Uniting the Quad Cities so everyone has the access and opportunity to thrive.

How We Help: We unite partners, funding, and data to close gaps and drive community-level results.

Our Goals by 2030:



Education: Increase by 30% the number of students reading on grade level by 3rd grade



Financial Security: Increase by 20% the number of young adults earning living wages, adding \$116M in wages per year to the economy



Health: Increase to 95% the number of Quad Citians receiving routine health care

Get Involved

At United Way Quad Cities, we offer multiple ways to drive lasting impact for our community.

- Give – Fund programs that transform lives
- Volunteer – Share your time and talent
- Partner – Engage your company year-round in lasting change
- Join – Be part of a donor network making an impact

Scan the QR Code to get involved.



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United for Schools: Focused Student & Family Support

In some Quad Cities schools serving our highest-needs neighborhoods, kids face hunger, unstable housing, family trauma, or limited access to health care - challenges that make it harder to focus, learn, and reach their full potential.

United for Schools is a community-wide effort based inside these campuses, working with teachers, parents, and more than 75 partners to remove barriers and provide one-on-one, in-school support. From meals and school supplies to housing help, mentoring, after-school programs, and vision care, we're there for the students and families who need it most.

Our goals:

- › Ensure every child is supported and ready to learn
- › Strengthen families so they can help their children succeed
- › Unite community partners to remove barriers to opportunity

Strategic Grantmaking

We partner with local nonprofits committed to achieving measurable results in education, financial security, and health - directing resources where they'll make the greatest impact for the Quad Cities.

Nearly a hundred volunteers, along with our Community Impact Team, work together to identify organizations whose outcomes align with our long-term goals - helping every Quad Citian learn, earn, and live well.

Our current grant cycle invests \$2 million per year in 53 nonprofit organizations through 2028 driving measurable impact across Scott and Rock Island counties.

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the list of our funded
partners.



Our Programs

Ready by 5

A child's success in school starts long before kindergarten - and parents are their first and most important teachers. **Ready by 5** is a free, five-week workshop designed to equip families and caregivers with the simple, proven ways to support learning and development so children start school ready to succeed.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

Each year, United Way and AARP help thousands of Quad Citians prepare free income taxes through the VITA program. Since 2020, it has returned over \$21.8 million to local families.

Read United

Read United pairs Quad Cities adult volunteers with elementary students for weekly 30-minute reading sessions. Third-graders reading at grade level are five times more likely to finish high school, opening doors to higher education, better jobs, and improved health.

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