

FAST FACTS



MISSION

The United Way of Monongalia and Preston Counties enhances the quality of life in our community by helping those in need.

GOVERNANCE

United Way MPC is an independent, volunteer-directed community organization governed by a 44-member board of directors representing the communities it serves.

INVOLVEMENT

President of the Board: Jim Karinshak, United Bank
1st Vice President of the Board: Ashley Tasker, WVU Medicine
2nd Vice President of the Board: Michelle Bechtel, Bechtel Family Law

Chief Executive Officer: Brandi Helms

EFFICIENCY

In 2024, volunteers donated 7,504 total hours of service during events such as Day of Caring, Holiday Toy and Food Distribution, and the Blue & Gold Mine Sale.

United Way MPC has received Charity Navigator's 4-Star Rating. The administrative rate of 7% is significantly lower than the average of 35% recommended by the Charities Review Council.

RESULTS

United Way and its funded partners are working to address the needs in the four impact areas of Health, Education, Financial Stability, and Basic Needs.

- A total of \$35,000 in food was distributed by our Helpful Harvest Food Program each month to area pantries and programs through the support of the Hazel Ruby McQuain Charitable Trust.
- Operators for the WV211 line answered 1,328 calls and gave 14,837 referrals to people in need.
- During the Holiday Toy and Food Distribution, 1,440 children received toys and 1,829 received food.
- In winter 2024, 2,089 items were collected during the outerwear drive.

Funding supports 31 programs at 24 health and human service agencies in Monongalia and Preston Counties, as well as internal programming such as Helpful Harvest Food Program, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, WV211, and the Family Resource Network.

RESOURCES

United Way MPC generated about \$1.2 million through its annual campaign in 2024. Adding in community impact dollars we've received through grants, sponsorships and other revenue, the United Way has invested nearly \$3 million into the community.

