

# United Way gives \$3.3 million locally

*Priorities to 'high-impact' programs*

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High-impact community programs are the focus of the United Way of Lancaster County's resource investment allocations for 2011-12.

The United Way announced Monday that it will pump more

than \$3.3 million into 73 programs of 36 local agencies. Another \$2.6 million in donor-designated funds will go to 948 designated funds inside and outside Lancaster County.

Requests for another \$1 million in program funding had to be turned down, however, because

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there was not enough money for them. The United Way had approximately the same amount of money to invest this year as it did last year, according to Susan Eckert, president of United Way of Lancaster County.

Carol Y. Phillips, chairman of the board of the local United Way, said needs were more pressing this year in several areas, especially education.

"There's an increasing demand for support services because schools are facing the challenge of offering programs with fewer dollars," she said.

Hundreds of volunteers reviewed the applicants in a lengthy process. Joan Paxton, chair of the community impact cabinet, said.

The applicants were ranked on performance, alignment with community needs and demonstrated ability to produce results.

"The old days when United Way funding was seen either as an entitlement or a pass-through are long gone," Paxton said. "With community need increasing, our donors and investors demand results for the hard-earned funds they donate."

Paxton said money was distributed to high-impact programs in the four priority areas that were established by the 2010 Community Assessment Report.

The priority areas are: education, financial stability, health and safety nets for vulnerable people.

Paxton said \$549,742.95 went to 10 programs in early education and childcare and \$886,956.95 to 17 programs in lifelong learning and high school completion.

The United Way also invested \$542,482.97 in 12 programs in the financial stability priority area, \$605,228.21 to 19 programs in the health priority area and \$777,111.92 in 15 programs in the safety net priority area.

Besides these funds, \$410,458 from sources such as grants and matching funds will be invested in programs at Spanish American Civic Association, SouthEast Lancaster Health Services, Community Action Program, Welsh Mountain Medical and Dental Center and Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster.

For the first time in many years, six new programs are being funded.

In the health area, Project Access Lancaster County will receive \$20,000. PALCO provides donated medical care to those who are employed but lack health insurance.

SouthEast Lancaster Health Services also will receive \$20,818.95 for its prenatal program.

In the financial stability area, Community Action Program's outreach program will receive \$40,000. This funding will allow CAP to keep some of its offices in outlying areas of the county open.

Three education-related programs also are newly funded this year. Elizabethtown Childcare Center's school-age childcare program will get \$10,000. Compass Mark's intergenerational mentoring program in the Solanco School District will receive \$13,471. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lancaster County's Amachi program will receive \$20,000. The Amachi program matches mentors with children, age 6 to 14, who have a parent who was or is incarcerated.

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## United Way of Lancaster's 2011-12 resource investment allocation

| AGENCY   | PROGRAM                                   | 2011-12 SUPPORT       |
|--|---|-----------------------|
| <b>Early Care and Education Priority Area</b>                                |   |                       |
| Community Action Program of Lancaster County                                 | Childcare                                 | \$100,000.00          |
| Elizabethtown Child Care Center  | Childcare                                 | \$46,505.00           |
| Lancaster Day Care Center  | Childcare                                 | \$188,679.45          |
| Lancaster Day Care Center  | Parenting                                 | \$10,395.20           |
| LutherCare   | Columbia childcare                        | \$15,312.12           |
| LutherCare   | Reamstown childcare                       | \$9,913.79            |
| LutherCare   | Mentoring van                             | \$29,741.36           |
| S. June Smith Center   | Preschool                                 | \$13,839.00           |
| Schieber Pediatric Rehab Center  | Preschool                                 | \$46,000.00           |
| YWCA Lancaster   | Childcare                                 | \$89,357.02           |
| <b>Education: Lifelong Learning and High School Completion Priority Area</b> |   |                       |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lancaster County                                 | Amachi*                                   | \$20,000.00           |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lancaster County                                 | College and community program             | \$90,638.00           |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lancaster County                                 | School-based program                      | \$28,749.98           |
| Boy Scouts of America, Pennsylvania Dutch Council                            | Scoutreach                                | \$84,267.19           |
| Boys & Girls Club of Lancaster   | Project Learn                             | \$223,060.20          |
| Compass Mark   | Intergenerational mentoring*              | \$13,471.00           |
| Crispus Attucks Community Center   | HYPE                                      | \$18,836.19           |
| Elizabethtown Child Care   | School-aged childcare*                    | \$10,000.00           |
| Lancaster Family YMCA  | Outreach                                  | \$49,568.93           |
| Literacy Council of Lancaster-Lebanon  | Youth and teen program                    | \$120,948.20          |
| Literacy Council of Lancaster-Lebanon  | Basic literacy                            | \$33,000.00           |
| Literacy Council of Lancaster-Lebanon  | English as a Second Language              | \$23,607.00           |
| Pressley Ridge   | Literacy Connections                      | \$34,000.00           |
| Urban League of Lancaster County   | Teen pregnancy                            | \$75,344.78           |
| Urban League of Lancaster County   | Teen Elect Parent                         | \$9,913.79            |
| YWCA Lancaster   | Youth services                            | \$19,827.57           |
| YWCA Lancaster   | Youth program                             | \$31,724.12           |
| <b>Financial Stability Priority Area</b>                                     |   |                       |
| American Red Cross of the Susquehanna Valley                                 | VITA                                      | \$4,782.70            |
| Clare House  | Transitional shelter                      | \$42,313.20           |
| Community Action Program of Lancaster County                                 | Outreach*                                 | \$40,000.00           |
| Community Action Program of Lancaster County                                 | Bridge Housing                            | \$69,851.20           |
| MidPenn Legal Services   | Homeless advocacy                         | \$27,530.00           |
| Neighborhood Services  | Representative Payee                      | \$62,269.48           |
| Neighborhood Services  | Pioneer House                             | \$16,620.46           |
| Neighborhood Services  | Guardianship                              | \$40,943.44           |
| Salvation Army of Lancaster  | Family services                           | \$10,905.17           |
| Spanish American Civic Association   | Development                               | \$32,678.32           |
| Urban League of Lancaster County   | Employment                                | \$40,000.00           |
| YWCA Lancaster   | Residence                                 | \$134,589.00          |
| <b>Health Priority Area</b>  |   |                       |
| Alder Health Services  | Care and supportive services              | \$14,097.40           |
| Alder Health Services  | Prevention and education                  | \$11,435.55           |
| Catholic Charities   | Counseling services                       | \$68,702.54           |
| Compass Mark   | Alternative Community Intervention        | \$24,288.78           |
| Compass Mark   | Elementary Youth                          | \$28,452.57           |
| Compass Mark   | Skills for Life                           | \$18,588.35           |
| Mental Health America in Lancaster County                                    | Client Family Services                    | \$28,602.76           |
| Mental Health America in Lancaster County                                    | CESWA                                     | \$11,787.49           |
| PALCO Project Access Lancaster County  | Project Access*                           | \$20,000.00           |
| Pressley Ridge   | Mental health treatment                   | \$90,000.00           |
| SouthEast Lancaster Health Services  | Dental services                           | \$60,000.00           |
| SouthEast Lancaster Health Services  | Medical services                          | \$30,000.00           |
| SouthEast Lancaster Health Services  | Prenatal*                                 | \$20,818.95           |
| Spanish American Civic Association (SACA)                                    | Nuestra Clinica                           | \$55,867.66           |
| Urban League of Lancaster County   | Project Hope                              | \$17,844.82           |
| Visiting Nurses Association  | Community Care                            | \$41,637.90           |
| Welsh Mountain Medical and Dental Center                                     | Dental program                            | \$30,000.00           |
| Welsh Mountain Medical and Dental Center                                     | Horse and Buggy program                   | \$11,103.44           |
| Welsh Mountain Medical and Dental Center                                     | Medical program                           | \$22,000.00           |
| <b>Safety Net Priority Area for Vulnerable Persons</b>                       |   |                       |
| American Red Cross of the Susquehanna Valley                                 | Disaster services                         | \$155,803.31          |
| ARC of Lancaster County  | Advocacy                                  | \$20,260.00           |
| Arch Street Center   | Arch Street Center                        | \$50,710.80           |
| Catholic Charities   | Home House                                | \$39,687.39           |
| Community Action Program of Lancaster County                                 | DYS Emergency Shelter                     | \$70,666.40           |
| Community Action Program of Lancaster County                                 | Domestic Violence Services Legal Advocacy | \$77,270.20           |
| Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services  | Case management                           | \$37,081.53           |
| MidPenn Legal Services   | Domestic Violence Clinic                  | \$64,969.33           |
| Pressley Ridge   | Deb's House                               | \$125,000.00          |
| S. June Smith Center   | Early intervention                        | \$18,249.76           |
| Schieber Pediatric Rehab Center  | Occupational therapy                      | \$4,206.12            |
| Schieber Pediatric Rehab Center  | Physical therapy                          | \$34,836.06           |
| Schieber Pediatric Rehab Center  | Respite care                              | \$2,034.79            |
| Schieber Pediatric Rehab Center  | Social Skills                             | \$10,906.23           |
| YWCA Lancaster   | Sexual Assault Prevention                 | \$65,430.00           |
| <b>Total investments</b>   |   | <b>\$3,361,504.99</b> |

\* Indicates new program not previously funded through United Way Resource Investment Process

Source: United Way of Lancaster County

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