



Butler County United Way

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BUTLER COUNTY UNITED WAY ANNOUNCES 2021-22 FUNDING AWARDS

Butler County, OH – Butler County United Way is pleased to announce its funding decisions for the 2021-2022 funding cycle and is excited to invest over **\$618,000** into programming in communities throughout Butler County.

Volunteers from various industries and communities in Butler County served on impact committees where they invested their time and energy into reviewing this year's proposals for funding. Award decisions were based on the quality of the proposals and their alignment with Butler County United Way's vision and mission. Over the next year, Butler County United Way will provide funding for agencies and programs that will support one of the three major focuses of **education, financial stability, and healthy lives.**

This year Butler County United Way will directly allocate over **\$271,000** to **12 educational programs** that serve children as well as adults. Those funded include:

4C for Children,
Advancing to High Quality

Axis Teen Centers, Edge Teen Center,
Academic Success

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Butler County,
One-to-One Mentoring

Boys & Girls Club of Hamilton,
After School and Summer Youth Development

Boys & Girls Club of West Chester/Liberty,
Power Hour

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(Educational program, continued)

Envision Partnerships,
Project Success

Fairfield Prevention Coalition,
Youth Wellbeing and Resilience

Fitton Center for Creative Arts,
Community Outreach

Hamilton Living Water Ministry, Inc.,
Children and Youth After School and Summer Development

Lifespan, Inc.,
School Based Support Services

PARACHUTE: Butler County CASA,
CASA Advocacy: A Voice for Abused Children

Shared Harvest Foodbank,
BackPack Program

In the **financial stability/basic needs** category, Butler County United Way was able to fund **7 programs** with **\$121,000** in contributions. Those receiving funding were:

American Red Cross Greater Cincinnati Tri-State Chapter,
Disaster Emergency Services and Preparedness Programs

Family Promise of Butler County, Inc.,
Service Coordination for Diversion/Prevention

Hope House Rescue Mission, Inc.,
Emergency Shelter to Eliminate Homelessness

Oxford Family Resource Center,
Emergency Financial Assistance

Shared Harvest Foodbank,
Comprehensive Hunger Relief Program

Talawanda Oxford Pantry and Social Services,
Food Assistance

YWCA of Hamilton,
Dove House

An additional **\$125,000** was awarded to **11 programs focusing on healthy lives**. Included are:

Butler County Special Olympics,
Butler County Special Olympics

Cancer Family Care,
Center for Individual and Family Counseling

Catholic Charities of Southwestern Ohio,
Comprehensive Behavioral Health Care

Cincinnati Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired,
Vision Rehabilitation Services

Oxford College Corner Clinic
Free Clinic Medication and Testing

Oxford Senior Citizens, Inc.,
Adult Day Services
-Outreach Services
-Senior and Medical Transportation

Primary Health Solutions,
Access to Integrated Dental Care

Sojourner Recovery Services,
Perinatal Services

Women Helping Women,
Butler County Rape Crisis and Prevention Services

Several special collaborations were awarded **\$101,000** in funding for their multiple programs supporting all three pillars of **education, financial stability, and healthy lives**.

- **Booker T. Washington Community Center Collaboration** received **\$32,000** in funding through the lead agency, Great Miami Valley YMCA, as well as other partners including Boys & Girls Club of Hamilton, the City of Hamilton, The Fitton Center for Creative Arts, and Miami University Hamilton and Oxford Campuses.

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- **Home Visitation Collaboration** received **\$30,000** in funding through the lead agency, Every Child Succeeds, along with partner agencies Butler County Educational Service Center and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.
- **Parent Project Collaboration** received **\$28,000** in funding through the lead agency, Catholic Charities of Southwestern Ohio in collaboration with Butler County Family and Children First Council and Butler County Juvenile Justice Center/Juvenile Court. Other partner agencies include Fairfield City School District, Hamilton City School District, Madison Local School District, Middletown City Schools, Talawanda School District, and Miami University.
- **Talawanda School District** received **\$1,000** in funding through the lead agency The Coalition for a Healthy Community – Oxford Area in support of the 'Building a Healthier Community' program.
- **Youth Wellbeing and Resilience Collaboration** received **\$10,000** in funding through the lead agency Fairfield City School District in conjunction with Fairfield Prevention Coalition.

In addition to the monetary awards given in support of these partner agency programs, Butler County United Way is also very proud of the fact that through their Building Block volunteer events that were consistently held throughout the year, an additional **\$1,029,545 in goods and services** were donated by community members, local agencies, organizations and companies. The services included the value of the volunteer hours that were donated by generous Butler County citizens. The received goods were redistributed in packages such as literacy and hygiene kits, socks for the homeless population, as well as Thanksgiving and Christmas care packages, to name a few.

The total impact to Butler County residents **exceeded \$1.6 million** and can be contributed to the generosity of our community, a true testament to how everyone giving a little can have a huge impact on the lives of so many.

Butler County United Way was founded in 1920 and is proud to serve the entire Butler County service area. We strive to be the trusted community partner, leading impactful change for human service needs in Butler County. We invite you to join us by giving, advocating or volunteering. For additional information, contact Butler County United Way at (513) 863-0800 or visit www.bc-unitedway.org.

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