



Butler County United Way

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BUTLER COUNTY UNITED WAY ANNOUNCES 2022-23 FUNDING AWARDS

Butler County, OH – Butler County United Way is pleased to announce its funding decisions for the 2022-2023 funding cycle and is excited to invest nearly **\$800,000** into programming in communities across 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/basic needs, and healthy lives**.

This year Butler County United Way will directly allocate **\$247,000** to **12 educational programs** that serve children as well as adults. Those funded include:

4C for Children,
Stabilizing Quality Child Care

Axis Teen Centers, Edge Teen Center,
Afterschool Program

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

Envision Partnerships,
Project Success

Fairfield Prevention Coalition,
Youth Wellbeing and Resilience

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Education (continued)

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

Lifespan, Inc., a Community First Solutions company,
School Based Support Services

Oxford Literacy Team,
Super Summer Readers

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 **10 programs** with **\$263,000** in contributions. Those receiving funding were:

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

Central Connections,
Home Delivered Meals

Community Building Institute Middletown,
Cradle to Career Continuum

Family Promise of Butler County, Inc.,
Maintaining Housing Stability

Family Service of Middletown,
Program in Food Insecurity and Education

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

Oxford Family Resource Center,
Emergency Financial Assistance

Salvation Army Middletown,
Emergency Assistance

SELF (Supports to Encourage Low-income Families),
Build Up Academy

YWCA of Hamilton,
Dove House

An additional **\$139,000** was awarded to **nine (9) programs focusing on healthy lives**. Included are:

Abilities First,
Children Services

Butler County Special Olympics,
Butler County Special Olympics

Cancer Family Care,
Center for Individual and Family Counseling

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

Oxford College Corner Clinic,
Free Clinic Medication and Testing

Oxford Senior Citizens, Inc.,
Senior and Medical Transportation

Serve City,
Low & Affordable Housing

Sojourner Recovery Services,
Perinatal Services

Women Helping Women,
Butler County Rape Crisis and Prevention Services

Six (6) special collaborations were awarded **\$150,000** in funding for their multiple programs supporting all three pillars of **education, financial stability/basic needs, and healthy lives**.

- **Booker T. Washington Community Center Collaboration** received **\$38,000** in funding through the lead agency, Great Miami Valley YMCA, as well as other partners including the City of Hamilton, Boys & Girls Club of Hamilton, Fitton Center for Creative Arts, Miami University, Hamilton City School District, OSU Extension Office, Envision Partnerships, United Methodist Church Food Program, Dohn 22+, ELL, Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of America, YWCA, SELF, Central Connections, Senior Council on Aging, Hamilton Police Department and Badin High School.

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- **Home Visitation Collaboration** received **\$30,000** in funding through the lead agency, Butler County Educational Service Center, along with partner agencies Every Child Succeeds coordinated through Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.
- **Parent Project Collaboration** received **\$27,000** in funding through the lead agency, Catholic Charities of Southwestern Ohio in collaboration with Butler County Family and Children First Council, Butler County Juvenile Justice Center, and Hamilton City School District.
- **Comprehensive Hunger Relief Program** collaboration received **\$45,000** in funding through the lead agency Shared Harvest Foodbank in collaboration with Serve City and The Village Food Pantry.
- **Building a Healthier Community** collaboration received **\$1,000** in funding through the lead agency **Talawanda School District** in conjunction with The Coalition for a Healthy Community – Oxford Area.
- **Youth Wellbeing and Resilience Collaboration** received **\$9,000** in funding through the lead agency Fairfield City School District in conjunction with Fairfield Prevention Coalition and Envision Partnerships.

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 **\$742,480 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 \$1.5 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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