

LIVE UNITED



Butler County United Way

Our mission: to unite our community and maximize resources to build a stronger Butler County.

ALLOCATION AWARDS ANNOUNCED

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.

Over the next year, Butler County United Way will provide funding for twelve (12) programs focusing on education, ten (10) programs targeting financial stability/basic needs, and nine (9) programs promoting healthy lives. In addition, six (6) special collaborations were awarded funding for their programming supporting all three pillars.

For additional details, [click here](#).



IMAGINATION LIBRARY REBRAND

In order to provide more consistency, clarity and brand recognition, the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library has updated its name and logo to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio.

Butler County United Way has been the fiscal agent for the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio in Butler County since early 2020, growing the program from some 3,500 pre-school children receiving monthly books to over 12,500 in those two years. To learn more or to support this initiative, [click here](#).

2022-23 COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

Our Annual Campaign is Underway!

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WOMEN
ENRICHING
LIVES

The Women Enriching Lives Committee recently held their annual fundraising luncheon on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at Middletown High School. Proceeds from this luncheon will benefit Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio.

The WEL Committee's supports early childhood education as a foundation for kindergarten readiness and has been a strong supporter for the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library for over a decade.

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TO VOLUNTEER: www.bc-unitedway.org/volunteer

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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Adopt a Family for the Holidays!

The Salvation Army Bell Ringing



Will you give the gift of time and together make a difference this Christmas?

ELIGIBLE PARTNER AGENCIES

Click [HERE](#) for a complete listing of our Community Partner Agencies.

You may choose to designate your contribution to any of these agencies and/or programs found [HERE](#).

YOU ARE NOT ALONE



on our COMMUNITY PARTNER AGENCIES

This edition's focus is on EDGE Teen Center and the official opening of their new second site at MidPointe in West Chester.

Butler County United Way has been a long-time funder and supporter of EDGE Teen Center where teens are valued and accepted into a safe place for after-school comradery. EDGE offers a quiet place where teens can study and complete homework assignments plus receive free tutoring if needed. For those needing community service volunteer hours, EDGE links them with local agencies and provides transportation to and from the service sites giving these teens a glimpse into volunteering as a way to better their communities.

Sara Gabbard, Executive Director of EDGE Teen Center, shared the following: "It has been an amazing start to the school year! We did open a full-time, secondary center with MidPointe. This program, EDGE@West, serves Butler Tech students as well as Lakota West High School students Monday-Friday from 3-5pm. Our average daily attendance has been in the high 50s to low 60s but recently got up to 73 teens!" Similar participation numbers at the EDGE@East program are being realized, with a combined daily attendance of over 100 students. Their impact goal is to reach over 1000 unique teens across all programs.

In September, partners like Envision, Kemba Credit Union, Focus on Youth's mental health provider, yoga instructors and more joined in to provide programming.

Visit www.edgeteencenter.com to learn more!



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