



Butler County UNITED WAY FALL 2025 NEWSLETTER



2025-2026 BUTLER COUNTY UNITED WAY FUNDING DECISIONS

\$713,010

invested in direct programming through our community partners for the 2025-2026 funding cycle

Butler County United Way is investing more than \$713,000 into the funding of direct services throughout Butler County communities during its 2025-26 funding cycle that began on October 1.

These funds are allocated among 39 vital programs focused in the areas of youth opportunity, healthy community, financial security, and community resiliency serving Fairfield, Hamilton, Middletown, Oxford, West Chester/Liberty Township, and everywhere in between. To learn more about our funded programs, [click here](#).

BUTLER COUNTY GRANT LINK



We are excited to announce our new collaborative initiative, Butler County Grant Link, in partnership with City of Hamilton, Hamilton Community Foundation, and Middletown Community Foundation!

Butler County Grant Link is designed to strengthen our communities by expanding funding from outside of the county, enhancing grant writing support, and fostering cross-sector collaboration among nonprofit organizations.

We are pleased to welcome our Community Grant Finder, Trisha Porter, to the Butler County United Way staff.

Learn more about [Butler County Grant Link here](#).

TOPGOLF UNITED 2025 RAISES THOUSANDS FOR 211 HELPLINE

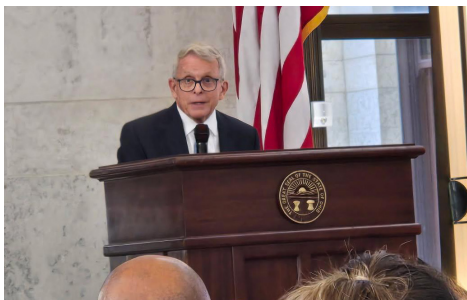
THANK YOU to all our generous sponsors and participants who attended this year's Topgolf United! We were able to raise thousands of dollars in support of our Butler County 211 Information and Referral Helpline.

211 is a FREE, accessible, 24/7/365 helpline, funded by Butler County United Way for the residents of Butler County. To learn more about 211, [click here](#).

We hope to see you at next year's Topgolf United on Thursday, November 5, 2026!



ALICE STATEHOUSE VISIT



On October 14, Kim, Amanda, and Pam attended the Ohio United Way ALICE Policy Summit at the Ohio Statehouse Atrium. ALICE—an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed—refers to individuals who earn above the federal poverty level yet still struggle to afford basic necessities. Many in this demographic work one or more jobs but remain unable to make ends meet, and, despite their needs, often do not qualify for federal or state assistance.

Throughout the summit, attendees heard from a range of speakers, including legislators who highlighted several bills introduced to support the ALICE population. The event also featured Governor Mike DeWine as the keynote speaker. He offered encouraging remarks regarding the challenges faced by ALICE households and emphasized the critical role of a strong educational foundation in opening doors to higher-paying career opportunities. Learn more about [ALICE here](#).

NONPROFITS UNITED

Our Fall 2025 Nonprofits United event brought out dozens of Butler County's movers and shakers in the nonprofit sector.

This biannual nonprofit roundtable and forum allows current and future Butler County United Way Community Partners to network and learn from each other in what makes them successful in positively impacting our communities. The November 7th Nonprofits United gave attendees a chance to learn more about needs of those they are serving as they participated in an ALICE Simulation activity.

Learn more about [Nonprofits United here](#), and save the date for our next installment of this series on Friday, May 8, 2026!



WOMEN UNITED



Our inaugural meeting of Women United, our women's affinity group, was held on Thursday, November 13 at the Fitton Center for Creative Arts. Attendees enjoyed delicious food and beverages, including a live demonstration of festive holiday cocktail and mocktail recipes, along with a selection of fun hands-on crafts.

The welcoming atmosphere encouraged meaningful networking and sparked thoughtful conversation about the group's focus and the potential impact we can achieve together. Women United will continue to meet periodically as we further develop our mission and vision.

If you have an interest in joining the group or learning more, we'd love to hear from you. Please reach out to Amanda Burns at aburns@bc-unitedway.org.

COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: ENVISION PARTNERSHIPS



Envision Partnerships (EP), one of only two certified Ohio Department of Behavioral Health prevention providers in Butler County has served the local community for 60 years. It's mission: "through education, advocacy, and action, we empower individuals, families, and communities to live healthy, safe, and drug-free lives in southwest Ohio".

The four primary prevention pillars that EP focuses on are: substance abuse, suicide, problem gambling and violence. They consistently serve more than 10,000 individuals across Butler County annually.

Butler County United Way allocated more than \$35,000 to Envision Partnerships Project Success during the 2025-2026

Funding Cycle. This proactive, comprehensive evidence-based prevention program in the areas of substance abuse, violence, gambling, and suicide incorporating multiple prevention strategies that reach universal, selective and indicated populations of youth and adults. Envision Partnerships continues to strive to develop lives that are healthy, safe, and drug-free by offering creative, forward-thinking prevention programs that benefit the youth, families and others the Butler in community.

To learn more about [Envision Partnerships](#) and our other community partners, [click here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 24 - December 7: [Festival of Wreaths](#)

Now - December 10: [Holiday Board Game Drive](#)

Now - December 10: [Teddy Bear and Toy Drive](#)

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