



Butler County  
**UNITED WAY**

# SPRING NEWSLETTER

## June 2025

### 2025 COMMUNITY IMPACT BREAKFAST

Our 2025 Community Impact Breakfast is officially in the books! We'd like to thank our sponsor, Duke Energy, everyone who attended, and those who stayed to volunteer. We held the event at Edgewood High School, and were pleased to have more than 150 people show up to support us and celebrate the difference we've been able to make in the community over the past year.



### 2025 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: SUSAN BREMER

We can't highlight our impact without thanking those who made it possible. We are starting with our 2025 Volunteer of the Year, Susan Bremer! Susan is a dedicated Butler County United Way Board of Trustees Member, but never stops going above and beyond. She is also heading up efforts to bring back our Women United Affinity Group, and is chair of the newly established Fundraising Committee. She is so dedicated, she even got United Way's Circle of Hope painted on her thumbnail to give her more opportunity to talk about our mission with people she encounters. THANK YOU SUSAN for all you do!



### 2025 LIVE UNITED AWARD: SHAPE CORPORATION

THANK YOU Shape Corporation for your dedication to making your Butler County United Way Workplace Campaign a huge success through increased donations, increased participation, and special events! We were thrilled to honor you with the 2025 LIVE UNITED Partnership Award.

[To learn more about Workplace Campaigns, click here.](#)

### SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION AWARD: SHARED HARVEST FOODBANK



Congratulations to our longtime Community Partner, Shared Harvest Foodbank, the winner of the 2025 Spirit of Collaboration Award. Shared Harvest understands what Community Partnership means to Butler County United Way, and uses the strength of that relationship to mutually grow our impact year after year. They were an integral partner in developing the Comprehensive Hunger Relief program and co-hosted our Macaroni Madness Volunteer Event that followed our breakfast, where 2,648 bags of pasta were portioned for distribution throughout Butler County communities.

That equals out to be 4,413 total meals that were packaged by the 100 Butler County volunteers at this event, and later distributed to families in Butler County facing food insecurity. The volunteer team to pack the most boxes was Duke Energy, our sponsor, with 516 bags of macaroni packed. That's a lot of pasta!





# 2025 GOLF UNITED CLASSIC



THANK YOU to everyone who sponsored, attended, or otherwise supported our 2025 Golf United Classic on Monday, May 19 at Shaker Run Golf Club. The event was a great success, with us raising more than \$25,000 to be invested right back into Butler County communities.

**Make sure to mark your calendars for our 2026 Golf United Classic on Monday, May 18, 2026.**

## COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: COMMUNITY BUILDING INSTITUTE MIDDLETOWN

Since 2009, Community Building Institute Middletown, Inc. (CBI) has been a powerful force for change in the Middletown community. With a mission centered on cradle-to-career success, CBI has connected more than 1,100 families to early education opportunities and serves over 300 students annually through afterschool programs and summer camps. From birth to career, CBI supports residents through early literacy initiatives, K-12 academic support, enrichment programs, post-graduation career planning, and workforce development for under- and unemployed adults. Their doors are open to all who seek opportunity, support, and connection.

CBI's work is powered by a committed team of over 40 full-time, part-time, and seasonal staff who are united by a bold vision: transforming Middletown one student, one family, and one neighborhood at a time. In addition to direct services, CBI plays a critical convening and coordination role, working with local schools, community partners, and funders—including Butler County United Way, the Ohio Department of Education, the City of Middletown, and generous private donors and foundations.



At the heart of CBI's efforts is its home base, the Robert "Sonny" Hill Community Center. This vital neighborhood anchor is currently undergoing an exciting \$5.6 million transformation. The renovation includes an exterior and interior facelift, and the construction of a brand-new 9,067 square foot gymnasium, and 3,428 square foot early literacy center. The project is on schedule to be completed in October 2025. The Community Center will continue to serve as a safe haven for youth, a gathering space for community groups, and a hub of resources for those in need. Visitors are welcome this summer during the center's operating hours of 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Walk-throughs and tours are encouraged.

CBI has been a proud Butler County United Way Community Partner since 2022. To learn more about them, [click here](#).

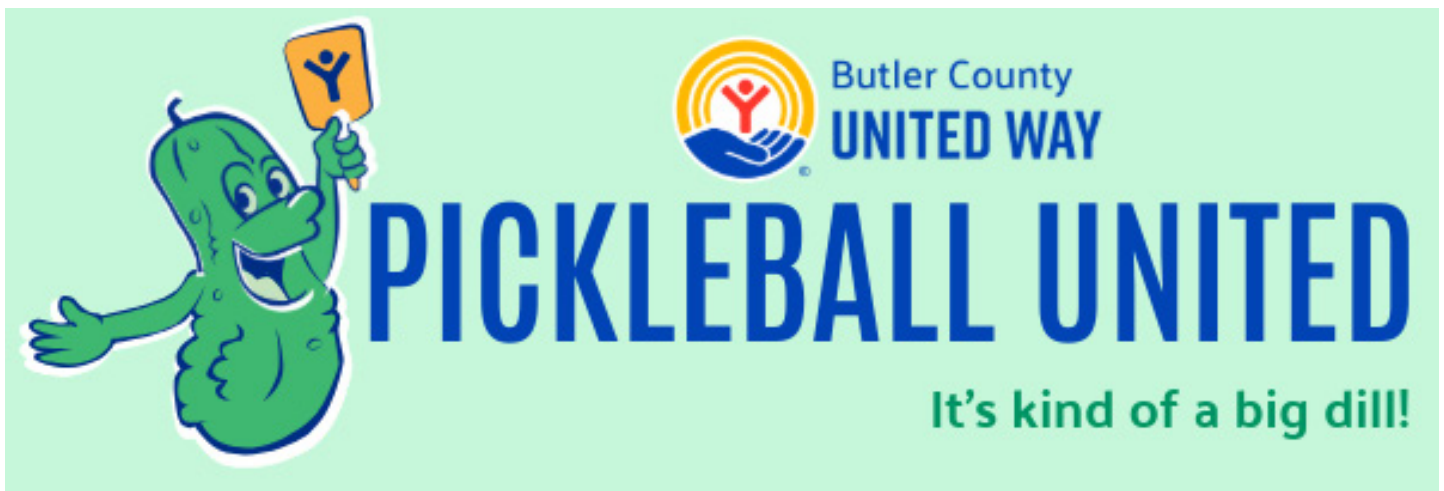


## UNITE + DIVIDE: COUNTY-WIDE MONTHLY DRAWING!

Make a difference in your wallet and in your community too! UNITE with others in the community and purchase tickets for a chance to win! At the end of each month, one lucky winner will DIVIDE the total prize with Butler County United Way. We began our Unite + Divide County-Wide Monthly Drawings in March, as our latest fundraising effort, and it's been a success! This ongoing fundraising effort allows us to offer virtual tickets online. Folks purchase tickets for a chance to win half of the prize pot, and split the winnings with Butler County United Way. Drawings are held on the last business day of the month at noon. We would like to recognize our March Winner, Emily White, April Winner, Dawn Thurmond, and our May Winner, Katrinka Stone.

[Join in the fun! Purchase your tickets here!](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### AUGUST

[16: Pickleball United](#)

### SEPTEMBER

4: Books and Brews

### OCTOBER

9: Topgolf United

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