



**Butler County United Way**

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**November 8, 2016**

**BUTLER COUNTY UNITED WAY ANNOUNCES  
BUILDING BLOCK EVENTS!**

**Butler County, OH –**

Butler County United Way will be hosting the next round of Building Block Events designed to bring the community together for the common good. These Building Block Events are tailored to focus on one of the building blocks for a good life: Education, Health, or Income Stability/Basic Needs, while joining together with neighbors throughout Butler County to give back in a way that will build a solid foundation for the future.

“Our previous events focused on individuals coming together, each bringing a piece of the puzzle, so to speak. It is always fascinating to see how collaborating for a common purpose can create such a profound impact,” stated Krystal Tipton, Director of Community Impact for Butler County United Way. “This time, we are working with local companies and organizations who want to impact their communities. They realize that giving back to their local communities ultimately builds a stronger workforce.”

**Education Building Block Event:** EDGE Teen Center will host a “Financial Literacy Day” aimed at teaching teens about personal finances as well as saving and managing money. This event will take place on Wednesday, November 9, 2016, from 3:00 – 5:00 PM at EDGE Teen Center, 7568 Wyandot Lane in Liberty Township, OH 45044. A simultaneous event will be held at the same location referred to as “Wacky Wellness Wednesday” focused on teaching teens about healthy living. EDGE Teen

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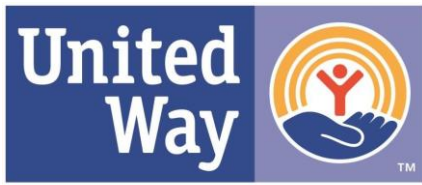
Center is a non-profit organization in Liberty Township dedicated to helping teens become the best version of themselves, by nurturing character, positive values and leadership qualities. EDGE's programs serve an average of 106 teens each day. Hamilton's Barclaycards will provide ten volunteers at these events, helping with set up as well as leading activities and engaging in conversation with these 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. Barclaycards is a global payment business founded in 1966, headquartered in London, United Kingdom.

**Income Stability/Basic Needs Building Block Event:** In collaboration with American Red Cross, on Saturday, November 12, 2016, between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM, 30 Express Scripts volunteers will concentrate in the Fairfield area along Pleasant Avenue, to install free smoke detectors in households with the intention of keeping families and children safe. American Red Cross volunteers will give prior notification of this smoke detector installation several days in advance. Express Scripts located in Fairfield, Ohio, is headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri. Express Scripts Holding Company is a Fortune 500 company and is the largest pharmacy benefit management organization in the United States.

**Health Building Block Event:** Also on Saturday, November 12, 2016, between 9:00 AM and 12:00 PM, FedEx Freight volunteers from Fairfield will be at The Father's House (New Oaks Community) in Hamilton, Ohio. These volunteers will be helping to physically restore the home/orphanage, originally built in 1876, by painting rooms, building the framework for the outside wrap around porch, as well as working on the landscaping. The Father's House is a support system that provides wrap around services for families and others wanting to foster and/or adopt, ensuring that the families and children have healthy lifestyles. Founded in 1971, FedEx is headquartered in Memphis, Tennessee, with over 400,000 employees worldwide.

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Additional information regarding the Building Block events as well as ways you can become involved may be found by visiting [www.bc-unitedway.org](http://www.bc-unitedway.org).

All big things start out small. We invite you to join us in being the cornerstone to big change!

Butler County United Way advances the common good. Our focus is on education, income and health – the building blocks for a good quality of life. We invite you to be part of the change by giving, advocating or volunteering. For additional information, contact Butler County United Way at (513) 863-0800 or visit [www.bc-unitedway.org](http://www.bc-unitedway.org).

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