



VOLUNTEER | GIVE | SHARE | JOIN

At United Way Southwest Louisiana, we are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for our community. We are excited to invite local companies, individuals and organizations to participate in our events, which offer fantastic opportunities for networking, community engagement, and support for vital causes.

There is something for everyone to enjoy while contributing to the betterment of our region.

LEADERS & LEGENDS

February - Our Annual Meeting that celebrates your impact

BATTLE FOR THE PADDLE

March - St. Paddy's Day jambalaya and pastalaya cook off with live music

ALICE SUMMIT

March - Summit to advocate for ALICE families

DOLLY RUN

April - 5k/1k walk/run to support Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

RUM REVIVAL

April - Celebration of rum and Carribean flavors to support Success By 6

DAY OF CARING

May - Volunteer day to prepare Weekend Food Packs for students

LA FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

September - Celebration of Louisiana flavors

REELIN' FOR WARRIORS

October - Fishing rodeo to benefit SWLA Veteran's Association

SMOKE & BARREL

November - BBQ and bourbon celebration to benefit Success By 6

WOMEN UNITED CHRISTMAS PARTY

December - Exclusive party for Women United SWLA membership



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GUARANTEE GOOD.

DONATE TODAY.



CHANGE STARTS WITH UNITED WAY.

TOP 25 MOST GENEROUS WORKPLACES

1. CITGO Petroleum Corporation
2. Phillips 66
3. Westlake Corporation
4. Turner Industries
5. Louisiana Pigment
6. Firestone Polymers, LLC
7. GRACE
8. Rain Carbon, Inc.
9. Calcasieu Parish School System
10. Entergy Louisiana, LLC
11. Biolab, Inc. KIK Consumer Products
12. Calcasieu Refining Company
13. Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office
14. Capital One
15. Chemical Waste Management
16. Alcoa Carbon Products
17. Qemetica US Silica
18. United Way Southwest Louisiana
19. Golden Pass LNG
20. Acadian Ambulance Services
21. CenterPoint Energy
22. RoyOMartin
23. Coshatta Casino Resort
24. Lake Charles Coca-Cola Bottling Co
25. Beauregard Parish School System



The highest ratings from the most trusted charity evaluators. Money raised here, stays here!

OUR MISSION

From strengthening local resilience to advancing healthy communities, youth opportunity and financial security, United Way Southwest Louisiana is mobilizing communities to take action so all can thrive.

HOW DO WE DO IT?

By forging lasting partnerships, mobilizing the right resources and inspiring individuals to join us to create generational change.

91,447
People served in 2024

968
Volunteers donated over 2,680 hours in 2024

Guarantee Change. Guarantee Good. Donate or Volunteer Today.

OUR 2024 IMPACT

19,955

individuals were provided support through United Way's 211 helpline.

48,579

books mailed through United Way's Initiative, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

904

students provided with engagement opportunities through United Way's Summer Impact Grant.

23

ALICE households benefited from tree trimming/removal through United Way's Strong Homes Initiative.

255,475

meals provided through United Way's partnership grants and in-house Initiatives.

5,368

individuals received free tax prep through United Way's VITA Initiative.

10,342

households applied for United Way and Entergy's Heat Relief Initiative.

92

individuals provided with the tools to obtain a higher paying job through United Way's Empowerment Through Employment Initiative.

5,000

Weekend Food Packs prepared by United Way volunteers through the United Against Child Hunger Initiative.

INITIATIVES

United Way Southwest Louisiana implements Initiatives in-house to address unmet community needs directly. Focusing on critical areas, we create tailored programs that fill specific gaps, ensuring that individuals and families receive the essential support they require. This approach allows United Way to respond quickly and effectively to pressing issues, strengthening the community from within.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY
27,562
served in 2024

Success By 6
Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
Writestart Project

Summer Of Service
Born Learning Trails
Early Childhood Education Fund

HEALTHY COMMUNITY
17,728
served in 2024

Human Trafficking
833.TXT.TEEN
Teen Hotline
Crisis Chat
Online Counseling

Singlecare Prescription Discount Card
United Against Child Hunger

FINANCIAL SECURITY
16,678
served in 2024

VITA
(Volunteer Income Tax Assistance)
Cal-PRI
(Calcasieu Prisoner Reentry)
Matched Savings Program

Bank On SWLA
Empowerment Through Employment
The Path Home
ALICE

COMMUNITY RESILIENCY
29,479
served in 2024

Build Back The Block
Strong Homes
Disaster Preparedness & Recovery

SWLA VOAD
211
Resource Hotline

VOLUNTEER CENTRAL

Our volunteer opportunities bring people together to strengthen our community and deepen your investment.

FOR EMPLOYERS/GROUPS

Contact us to set up a personalized opportunity that best aligns with your company or group's goals and budget as well as fulfills a need in our community.

FOR INDIVIDUALS

Visit unitedwayswla.org/volunteer to find an opportunity that sparks your interest.

WOMEN UNITED

Being part of Women United Southwest Louisiana is for any woman donating \$1,000 and offers the chance to make a meaningful impact while connecting with like-minded women. Members enjoy exclusive gatherings that are fun and beneficial for the community, fostering collaboration and inspiring action.