

# United Way of Central Kentucky

Creating Community in Hardin, Meade,  
Breckinridge, Grayson and LaRue Counties



## MARCH

## INVESTOR UPDATE

### Greetings from United Way of Central Kentucky!

As spring blossoms across Central Kentucky, the allure of the outdoors grows stronger by the day. It's a time not only for enjoying the weather with loved ones but also for giving back to our community. Here at UWCK, spring holds a special significance as we witness the rejuvenation of our Community Garden, nestled beside our headquarters. This garden not only supplies fresh produce to the neighborhood but also fosters healthier eating habits and serves as a hub for learning and volunteerism. None of this would be possible without the dedication of our volunteer community, which could include you! If you're eager to dive into spring with hands in the dirt and a heart full of service, email [bsmith@unitedwayck.org](mailto:bsmith@unitedwayck.org) to get more information.

Spring weather has also made it possible for our funded partners to host more impactful programs and initiatives while basking in the sunshine. On March 28, we proudly stood alongside CASA of the Heartland at their Pinwheels for Prevention event hosted at the Elizabethtown Police Department. During this event, community members planted blue and white pinwheels, symbolizing hope, health, and happiness for the children supported by CASA.

Volunteer opportunities and community solidarity are plentiful in our region, both through UWCK and the vital organizations and initiatives we champion. These opportunities brighten our community like the spring sun, and you can play a part in making our community shine even brighter.



We were delighted to attend the open house for Hospirus Health's new Care Guide Partners PACE Center in Elizabethtown this month, which offers patients an onsite clinic, adult day program, therapies, personal care, nutritional counseling, and more. While celebrating Hospirus Health's impactful mission to provide hospice care for our region, it was great to see members of the organization's dedicated team, including board chairman James Watson, who also serves diligently on our board. The addition of the PACE Center will be an invaluable resource as Hospirus Health continues the important work they have done for the community for over four decades.



# Did you know?

**113** children served by CASA of the Heartland from June 2022 to present.

**1,831** individuals served by Grayson County Alliance this quarter

**433** individuals served by Hardin County Cradle Schools this quarter

March, 2024

*\*Not all funded partner data displayed.*

## HIGHLIGHTING OUR FUNDED PARTNERS



Thank you to our partners at Swope Family of Dealerships for their continued support in our community! Earlier this month, the D.E.E.P. team from Swope Toyota helped clean up our Community Garden for Spring and we are so grateful for their support. It takes a village... or in this case, a dealership!

Spring is just around the corner and we are always looking for individual volunteers or volunteer teams to help in the garden, or with other UWCK initiatives.

To get involved with UWCK, email Brianne Smith at [bsmith@unitedwayck.org](mailto:bsmith@unitedwayck.org).

[View #CreatingCommunity Video](#)

**211 PROVIDES UNMATCHED,  
CRITICAL SERVICES.**



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The 211 network is made up of thousands of caring, local experts who are available to help, 24/7. Fact: In 2023, over 3,000 calls were made to Kentucky 211 for inquiries about critical services, with Rent, Utilities and Food being the highest on the list. For more information about 211, [kentucky211.org](https://kentucky211.org).



**LIVE  
UNITED**

**SPOTLIGHT**



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It is simple to start a workplace campaign. It is the best way that you and your employees can give back to the community.

**-MARY YOUNG**

SVP Executive Banking Officer  
& Workplace Campaign Chair, UWCK



**#CREATINGOPPORTUNITIES**

### Live United Spotlight: The Cecilian Bank

We are proud to highlight a remarkable workplace partner: The Cecilian Bank. With several branches throughout the region, The Cecilian Bank has had a presence in our community for over a century, and with that longevity has come a tangible sense of community stewardship, exemplified by their consistent workplace fundraising on behalf of UWCK.



**PROJECT  
OPPORTUNITY**

*Connecting Businesses and Youth*

**Kentucky  
Career Center**  
Lincoln Trail

## Help us promote work-based learning opportunities in Hardin County!

The Kentucky Career Center - Lincoln Trail and area high schools are compiling a list of available opportunities for high school students looking for workplace positions. But we need YOUR help!

If you are a business or industry who has employment opportunities available for area youth - particularly those that work well with cooperative employment settings, please take a moment to share the job information with us.

By aggregating these job opportunities in a single location, we are ensuring that all participating youth have access to opportunities that will allow us to grow our workforce and showcase opportunities available locally.

**Submit your organization's job opportunities at [here](#).**

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As we step into the vibrant season of spring, the energy and dedication of our team, volunteers, supporters and partners shines bright. We appreciate your support as we continue advance education, financial stability, health, and basic needs throughout our region.

Sincerely,



**Christa Shouse**  
President & CEO  
United Way of Central Kentucky



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