

Education

United Way of Elgin

Special Initiatives



United Way of Elgin advances the common good by creating opportunities for a better life for all. We focus on the building blocks of a good life—education, income, and health. In addition to funding programs, United Way also supports community-based partnerships.

These collaborative efforts make progress toward the priority outcomes, address long-term community change, and utilize known research and best practices.



Getting Ready for Kindergarten Calendar

Getting Ready for Kindergarten Calendar is targeted to 4 and 5 year olds. The calendar contains ideas for fun activities that develop a variety of skills needed to start school ready to succeed.

Download your free copy of the calendar at uwelgin.org in our Document Library.



Dolly Parton Imagination Library

The Imagination Library mails a free book to children from birth to five years of age every month. The program is available to children who live in the United Way of Elgin service area. The cost to the United Way is \$30 per child each year that they are registered. If you are willing to sponsor a child, please increase your pledge and help promote parents and children reading together.

Learn how to register your child at uwelgin.org

Income



1,000 Worker Skills Initiative

This workforce development program is helping unemployed community members identify their strengths and skills in the workplace. The program is championed by United Way, Elgin Area Chamber of Commerce, and Elgin Community College. The initiative offers the WorkKeys® assessment that determines a person's current skill level and identifies gaps. Vocational counseling and additional job skills training are available to those who complete the assessment, if needed.

Call 847-214-7220 for information and to see if you qualify to take the WorkKeys® assessment for free at Elgin Community College.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

The Center for Economic Progress (CEP) provide free income tax preparation, helping qualifying families claim the Earned Income Tax Credit and other credits. The program is available to families with incomes of less than \$50,000 and individuals with incomes less than \$25,000. The Income Impact Council partners with CEP by assisting with volunteer recruitment and marketing outreach.

Check for volunteer opportunities and training information at www.economicprogress.org/volunteer



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Health



Kane County Fit for Kids

United Way is a partner in a consortium of Kane County-based public and private funding agencies that have joined forces to reverse the epidemic of childhood obesity in our community. By combining forces, the consortium believes it can most effectively raise and disburse funds to support the comprehensive, coordinated, community-based health promotion initiative needed to make Kane County 'Fit for Kids'.

View the Fit Kids 2020 Plan at www.makingkanefitforkids.org



FamilyWize Prescription Drug Discount Card

If you don't have health insurance, or you must buy medicine not covered by your insurance plan, United Way of Elgin, in partnership with FamilyWize, offers this prescription drug discount card. The free FamilyWize prescription drug discount card decreases the cost of medicine by an average of 35% or more per prescription.

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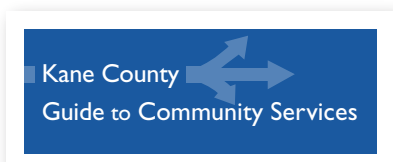
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Kane County Guide to Community Services

The Kane County Guide to Community Services, at www.kanecountyguide.org, is a web-based information and referral service for almost any social, health, or human service need in Kane County, available in English and Spanish. Search by keyword, agency, or geography. The Guide receives approximately 325 hits per day, connecting people with the services they need.

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