



# Snapshots of Success

## - Neighbors Helping Neighbors -

The Snapshots of Success is a traveling photo exhibit that features local United Way donors and recipients of United Way funded programs. To read their stories, visit our web site at [WWW.UNITEDWAYTRR.ORG](http://WWW.UNITEDWAYTRR.ORG).

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# UNITED WAY INVESTS IN HEALTH

*“Dancing for a Healthier Life”*



Meet Rhonda Haggins, Winnie Gardner and Wanda Stanfield-Jones. Winnie, a legally blind participant, truly feels the difference in her life thanks to the services provided by The Wright’s Center, a UNITED WAY partner agency. Winnie participates in many activities such as exercise classes, devotions, current events, arts and crafts, music therapy and educational classes. Each activity allows her to enjoy fellowship with her peers as well as the Center’s staff. The Wright’s Center gives Winnie a place to have fun and add meaning to her life while her daughters are working.

Because of loyal UNITED WAY contributors, like Rhonda and Wanda, The Wright’s Center is able to enrich the lives of its participants through educational, cultural, and spiritual programs, while giving their loved ones needed support and encouragement. Rhonda, a strong UNITED WAY supporter through the workplace campaign at Opticare Managed Vision, believes that UNITED WAY reaches many people in several ways. Wanda, the Campaign Coordinator for Opticare Managed Vision, is a proud UNITED WAY donor. She believes that we all live in this world together and we all need each other. That is what it means to **LIVE UNITED.**

# UNITED WAY INVESTS IN INCOME

*“Feeding Hope for Independence”*



Meet Torrey Joyner, Dyrll Lee and Toney Hedgepeth. Dyrll, a recovered addict, found himself homeless on the streets of Rocky Mount. He later enrolled in the Vocational Rehabilitation Program at United Community Ministries, a UNITED WAY Partner Agency that provided him with resources and coping skills in order to live a successful life. Even after battling a brain aneurism while enrolled, Dyrll stayed motivated to get his life on track. He says that the program completely changed his way of living. Currently, Dyrll is a religious man, employed full-time and has recently married the love of his life.

Torrey and Toney, students and employees of Edgcombe Community College, have contributed in various aspects of improving lives through UNITED WAY. They believe in lending their hands and hearts to complete projects to allow agency leaders to provide services to those that need it the most. With their help and contributions of thousands, Dyrll is a “walking miracle” today. Torrey and Toney both believe that we should support each other by reaching out to people who are less fortunate. That’s what it means to **LIVE UNITED.**

# UNITED WAY INVESTS IN EDUCATION

*“Education + Hard Work = Success”*



Meet Dorsey & Evelyn Glover, Marquetta Minott and Deana Guido. Marquetta was a participant in the College Access Program through Nash-Rocky Mount School System. Marquetta is now a student at Nash Community College pursuing Nursing with hopes of transferring to East Carolina University to complete her Bachelor's Degree.

Dorsey & Evelyn, educators with Nash-Rocky Mount School System, have contributed to UNITED WAY for over 50 years. Deana, also a loyal contributor through Nash Community College and Education Impact Team Leader, believes that UNITED WAY is truly building successful youth and families. Because of their contributions, Marquetta has gained work experience through volunteering at various organizations while obtaining the motivation she needed to strive for academic excellence. Dorsey and Evelyn believe that by combining special skills and talents we can address the needs of people by improving their quality of life. That's what it means to **LIVE UNITED.**

# UNITED WAY INVESTS IN HEALTH

*“Harvesting Health”*



Meet Laverne DeLoatch, Curtis Bryant, Sylvia Powell, Geoffrey Williams, Linwood Glass, and Robin Bowers. Curtis, Sylvia, and Linwood, all program participants at Princeville Senior Citizens' Center, express the importance of their program funded through UNITED WAY. The Center is able to provide seniors with transportation to the center, doctor offices and drug stores to get needed medications. The Center also offers participants recreational activities like gardening, which is an activity that gives the participants access to fresh produce.

Because of UNITED WAY contributors like Laverne, Geoffrey, and Robin, Princeville Senior Citizens' Center is an integral part in maintaining the health of seniors in the community. Laverne and Robin, both Care Share Donors, support UNITED WAY through their workplace campaign at Sara Lee Bakery. They believe that supporting UNITED WAY improves our communities overall. Geoffrey, a UNITED WAY contributor, believes that working together today to solve the challenges of tomorrow is what it means to **LIVE UNITED.**

# UNITED WAY INVESTS IN INCOME

*“The Steps of Justice”*



Meet Vanessa Smith, Margaret Hayes, Vanessa Whitaker and Meredith Holland. Margaret, a victim of sexual assault, describes the positive impact of one of the services provided by My Sister’s House, a UNITED WAY partner agency. The support group for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence offered Margaret a safe haven to heal and move forward. Because of My Sister’s House, Margaret had a safe place to discuss her issues while giving her the satisfaction that her experiences may help others.

Under the leadership of Meredith Holland, Executive Director for My Sister’s House, participants are able to receive a helping hand on their road to independence. Because of loyal UNITED WAY contributors, like Vanessa Whitaker, Meredith Holland and Vanessa Smith, My Sister’s House is able to provide support for women affected by sexual assault and domestic violence within the local communities. Vanessa Smith, through her workplace campaign at Universal Leaf, is proud to support UNITED WAY efforts to provide vital services to participants. Vanessa Whitaker, an Impact Team Leader and UNITED WAY donor for more than twenty years, believes that everyone working together to create a better community is what it means to **LIVE UNITED.**

# UNITED WAY INVESTS IN EDUCATION

*“Reading the Roadmap to Success”*



Meet Charles & Edith Penny, Robin Latham and the participants of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Nash and Edgecombe Counties. These participants are actively involved in the After School Youth Development and Summer Enrichment programs, funded through UNITED WAY. The Boys and Girls Club creates a safe and enriching environment for these participants to learn, grow and thrive throughout the year and the rest of their lives.

Charles & Edith Penny have been loyal UNITED WAY donors for over 20 years through the City of Rocky Mount and Nash-Rocky Mount School System campaigns respectively. Robin, a longstanding United Way contributor through Nash Community College and an Education Impact Team Leader, believes that donating to UNITED WAY ultimately impacts the world. Because of their collective efforts, UNITED WAY programs at the Boys & Girls Clubs offer participants a healthy, social environment while teaching vital life skills that provide navigation toward education and beyond. Charles & Edith believe that supporting UNITED WAY touches more lives than any one person could do alone. This is what it means to **LIVE UNITED.**