

# UNITED WAY OF GREATER WATERBURY'S 2024/2025 COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS

*“United Way is working to advance the common good by focusing on the building blocks for a good life - a quality education that leads to a stable job, enough income to support a family through retirement, and ensuring our most basic needs are met.”*



## EDUCATION

Increasing opportunities for children and youth to succeed.

### EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Children birth-5 have expanded access to quality early educational experiences.

#### PROGRAMS

Catholic Charities Inc. - Infant Toddler Care  
Cheshire Community YMCA - School Age Childcare  
Cheshire Community YMCA - Early Childhood Preschool  
Greater Waterbury YMCA - School Age Care  
Reach Out and Read Connecticut - Rx for Success Waterbury

#### INITIATIVES

Literacy & Oral Language Development  
Waterbury Bridge To Success Community Partnership

### FAMILY ENGAGEMENT & POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Children and youth 5-18 have opportunities to experience success and achieve their potential.

#### PROGRAMS

Afro-Caribbean Cultural Center Inc. - Cuyo Summer Camp  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut - Community-based Mentoring  
Boys and Girls Club of Greater Waterbury - After School Program  
Children's Community School - Personalized Education  
Copper Beech Institute - Mindfulness Training for Educators  
Greater Waterbury YMCA - Berkeley Warner Community Center  
Greater Waterbury YMCA - Camp Mataucha  
Hang Time - CHOICES  
Mattatuck Museum - Art Enrichment Program  
Park Central - Out of School Enrichment  
Waterbury Youth Services, Inc. - Linking Academics to Life

#### INITIATIVES

Waterbury Bridge To Success Community Partnership  
Campership Program  
Waterbury Promise



## BASIC NEEDS

Helping people become more self-sufficient in meeting their basic needs.

### HOUSING

Access to safe and affordable housing - temporary and permanent.

#### PROGRAMS

American Red Cross Western Connecticut - Disaster Cycle Services  
Brian Gibbons Homeless Outreach, Inc. - Homeless Outreach  
Connecticut Legal Services, Inc. - Legal Services Housing Support Project  
Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury Inc. - Emergency Shelter  
Waterbury Youth Services, Inc. - Youth & Family Emergency Services

#### INITIATIVES

The Housing Collective - Coordinated Access Network (CAN)  
St. Vincent DePaul - Homeless Shelter and Resource Center  
United Way of Greater Waterbury - Flexible Assistance Fund

### FOOD

Access to affordable, nutritious food.

#### PROGRAMS

American Red Cross Western Connecticut - Disaster Cycle Services  
Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries, Inc. - Food Pantry  
Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries, Inc. - Soup Kitchen  
The Salvation Army - Comprehensive Emergency Assistance Program

#### INITIATIVES

Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP)  
Food Resource Committee  
Healthy Foods  
Holiday Assistance  
Stock the Pantry

### HEALTH CARE

Access to appropriate, affordable physical, dental & behavioral healthcare, including prevention & intervention services.

#### PROGRAMS

American Red Cross Western Connecticut - Disaster Cycle Services  
Catholic Charities Inc. - Behavioral Health  
Connecticut Counseling Centers, Inc. - Opioid Treatment Programs  
Mental Health Connecticut, Inc. - Independence Center  
Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury Inc. - Non-shelter Services  
Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury Inc. - Sexual Assault Crisis Service  
StayWell Health Care, Inc. - Dental  
StayWell Health Care, Inc. - Women's Health  
Wellmore Behavioral Health - Child Outpatient Clinical Services  
Wellmore Behavioral Health - Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services



## FINANCIAL STABILITY

Increasing financial stability through employment opportunities.

### TRAINING AND EDUCATION FOR UNDER-EMPLOYED & UNEMPLOYED YOUTH & ADULTS

Equitable access to opportunities that may lead to self-sufficiency.

#### PROGRAMS

Abilities Without Boundaries - Employment Support Expansion  
Center for Human Development - Home Works Program  
Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury - RIBA Aspira Career Academy, English as a Second Language Program  
Waterbury Youth Services, Inc. - Support for Self Determination/POWER

#### INITIATIVES

St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Waterbury - Merriman Culinary Job Training Program

### INCOME SUPPORTS FOR WORKING HOUSE-HOLDS THAT FOSTER ECONOMIC SECURITY

Equitable access to opportunities to increase income, build savings, and become financially stable.

#### PROGRAMS

Advancing Connecticut Together, Inc. - Financial Empowerment Beyond Tax Season  
Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Programs, Inc. - College Access Middle School Program  
Wealth Generation Legacy, Inc. - Personal Finance Does Matter

#### INITIATIVES

Advancing Connecticut Together, Inc. - Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

### TRAINING FOR RETURNING CITIZENS AND THOSE PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED

Expanded equitable employment.

#### PROGRAMS

Community Partners in Action - Greater Waterbury Reentry Welcome Center



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of Greater Waterbury

Connecticut Community Foundation's Nonprofit Advisory Institute and United Way CT 2-1-1 align with all Impact Areas