

UNITED IS THE WAY

2026 Leadership Circle



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Kennebec Valley

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2026 Campaign Co-Chairs

Katie & Chris Doherty

President & CEO, Kennebec Valley
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“Supporting United Way is a way to give back to the same community that continues to support our local businesses, our workforce, and our neighbors. Every day I see how interconnected we all are, and when one part of our community thrives, we all do.”

- Katie Doherty

26 FOR 26 Challenge

Hardship doesn't look just one way—and it doesn't affect just one kind of person. It can impact any of us, at any time. That's why what we do together matters. In 2026, rising costs for housing, healthcare, childcare, and food are stretching families more than ever.

Join United Way's 26 for 26 Challenge to help raise \$2,026,000 in 2026! Consider increasing your gift by \$26 per pay period—or start with just \$1 per bi-weekly paycheck—to help ensure support is there when it's needed most. For first-time donors, we hope you will join for your first \$26!

Just \$26 can go a long way: helping provide 78 meals at a local food bank, offering a ride to a life-saving dialysis appointment, or supplying five gallons of heating oil during a cold Maine winter. It's a simple step—but together, those small increases create real impact for families across our community. When we give together, we make help easier to find, easier to access, and available to all.

Who We Are

United Way of Kennebec Valley (UWKV) serves Kennebec County by advancing community impact initiatives that strengthen our region, including funding 58 local nonprofit and school-based programs that help people experiencing challenges and hardship.

Rooted in our community, we listen to understand challenges and partner to create solutions. We act with data-driven, community-led innovation that reflects the needs and strengths of our neighbors.

Our Mission

United Way of Kennebec Valley unites people and resources to improve lives in our community.

What We Do

- > We bring nonprofits, businesses, schools, and leaders to the same table.
- > We invest in programs that are proven to work.
- > We use data to understand where help is needed most.
- > We connect people to resources every single day.



Our Impact Starts Here

We envision a community where every person can thrive. In this community, all people have access to prevention and wellness services, stable and affordable housing in safe and supportive neighborhoods, nutritious food to sustain healthy bodies and minds, and the tools and opportunities needed for children to succeed in school and in life.

To make this vision a reality, we focus on three priority impact areas:

Youth Opportunity

We support young people from early childhood through career readiness by enhancing childcare and early education, building strong literacy skills, expanding out-of-school learning opportunities, engaging families, and preparing youth for the workforce and higher education.



Financial Security

We're building financial security by meeting essential needs and easing economic hardship while creating pathways to employment and income.



Healthy Communities

We're improving health and well-being by tackling hunger in innovative ways, expanding access to quality care, supporting parents and children, and strengthening local resources for mental health and substance use.



To support our impact areas, we invest in community programs, collect data, and foster collaboration.



By uniting the generous gifts of our donors and working alongside 58 funded partner programs, we were able to have the following impact last year:



\$2 million
invested in the community



37,451
people impacted in Kennebec County

Our investments can help power outcomes equivalent to:

1,653

Teens enrolled in afterschool tutoring

752,330

Meals at a local food bank



25,078

Emergency food bags

5,787

Rides to dialysis



4,630

Individual nights of shelter

772

Weeks of daycare

How We Build a Strong Community



>> Funded Partner Programs

Donations to United Way of Kennebec Valley (UWKV) are combined to create a larger pool of resources that support 58 high-impact nonprofit and school-based programs, carefully reviewed and selected by community volunteers. UWKV stays actively involved by monitoring progress, collaborating with partners, and using local data to ensure funds are making a meaningful difference.

Learn more about each program and initiative by scanning the QR codes below:



www.uwkv.org/funded-partner-programs

>> Impact2032

Impact2032 is a community-wide movement to improve the health, education, and financial stability of all Kennebec County residents over 10 years. Guided by shared goals and collective progress tracking, Impact2032 strengthens local efforts by building connections and helping partners take action toward those goals. Impact2032 is led by UWKV, driven by community partners, and sponsored by generous business supporters.



www.uwkv.org/impact2032

>> 211 Maine

Powered by United Ways across Maine, including UWKV, 211 Maine strengthens our community by ensuring no one has to face challenges alone. 211 Maine is a free, confidential service that connects people across Maine to local support 24/7 by phone, text, or online, with a real person ready to help.



www.211maine.org

>> VolunteerME

VolunteerME Kennebec Valley is UWKV's online platform that connects community members with local volunteer opportunities, making it easy to find and support causes that matter.



www.uwkv.org/volunteer

>> Day of Caring

Every spring and fall, UWKV partners with 26 local schools and programs and 15 area businesses to support Day of Caring. Through this community-wide effort, student and faculty volunteers engage in service projects at local sites across Kennebec County. In 2026, the program celebrates its 26th anniversary with record participation from 9,049 volunteers. Day of Caring demonstrates that volunteering truly brings out the best in all of us.



www.uwkv.org/day-of-caring

Thank you to our top Day of Caring sponsors:





Creating Lasting Change, Thanks to You

United Way of Kennebec Valley extends its deepest gratitude to all donors whose generosity makes this work possible. Through their compassion and commitment, individuals and families across the community have greater access to the resources, support, and opportunities they need to thrive.

At every level, donor support creates meaningful change—strengthening neighborhoods, uplifting local programs, and building a healthier, more resilient Kennebec County. Each contribution plays a vital role in shaping a stronger future for all. Thank you!

“ The South End Teen Center provides a place where teens are seen, a place where they are safe, and a place where they can express themselves and be themselves. It provides them with support whether they are having a bad day at school, are needing clothes and shoes, or are talking about careers.
-Aimee Morris, Program Manager at the South End Teen Center through KVCAP ”



Leadership Circle



Our Leadership Circle includes 375 individuals and families who give \$700 or more annually to strengthen Kennebec County. Members come from all walks of life but share a common commitment to creating positive change for their neighbors. Together, their collective support drives meaningful, lasting impact across our community. These gifts contributed 55% of the funds raised last year—a total of \$1,101,875!

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Anonymous (11)

**United Way of Kennebec Valley creates and distributes this publication to recognize the people in our leadership groups. In compiling this list as of June 2026, we have attempted to list every individual and family who has contributed at the Leadership Circle level. Any error on our part is completely unintentional; please notify us.*

Alternative Manufacturing, Inc.	3	Lajoie Brothers	4
Augusta Food Bank	5	L.L.Bean	1
Bangor Savings Bank	2	Maine Children’s Home	1
Bath Iron Works	1	Maine Community College System	3
Boys & Girls Clubs of Kennebec Valley	1	Maine Family Planning	1
Bread of Life	1	Maine Medical Association	1
Bridging the Gap	1	Maine Municipal Association	2
Central Maine Power	4	Maine-Dartmouth Family Medicine Practice	5
Charlie’s Family of Dealerships	48	MaineGeneral Health	26
City of Augusta Employees	9	MaineHousing	2
Cives Steel	2	Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce	1
Colby College	1	MSAD #11	1
Core-Mark	1	Nicholson, Michaud, and Nadeau	4
Darling’s	2	Northern Light Health	1
Family Violence Project	1	NRF Distributors	12
Fifth Third Bank	1	Oakes and Parkhurst Glass	2
G&E Roofing Company	11	O’Connor Auto Park	7
Gagnon Dental	1	One River CPAs	3
Ganneston Construction	2	Performance Foodservice-NorthCenter	18
Gosline Retirement Planning	2	Pike Industries Inc.	2
Hannaford	4	RLC Engineering	1
J.S. McCarthy Packaging + Print	13	Rural Community Action Ministry	1
Kennebec Behavioral Health	5	Spectrum Generations	1
Kennebec Savings Bank	43	State of Maine Employees	9
Kennebec Technologies	2	Team EJP	8
Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce	2	Town of Winthrop Employees	1
Kennebec Valley Community Action Program	1	United Way of Kennebec Valley	3
KSW Federal Credit Union	1	Waterville Community Dental Center	1
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Charlie & Nancy Shuman
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Corporate Leaders

Cornerstone Partners

Cornerstone businesses partner with United Way to build a foundation for a stronger, healthier Kennebec County. These are the top 12 corporate partners by contribution level. Contributions from these 12 businesses and their generous employees made up 54% of UWKV's annual campaign last year.



Corporate Champions Circle

The Corporate Champions Circle (CCC) is a unique opportunity for businesses to create meaningful, lasting impact in the community through event sponsorship. By joining the CCC, businesses allow UWKV to strategically direct their sponsorship dollars to one to three events where they'll make the largest difference—fueling programs that strengthen families, improve health outcomes, and build opportunity across Kennebec County.

>> Platinum Level Sponsors:



>> Silver Level Sponsors:

Allen Insurance and Financial
Gagnon Dental
Gosline Retirement Planning
MaineGeneral Health

Small Business Circle

For as little as \$1 a day, or \$365 a year, local businesses can improve the odds for children and families in Kennebec County. United Way has created an easy, affordable path for small businesses to give back on their own scale and make a real difference on the issues that matter most.



Leaders \$600

Partners \$365

- Blaine J. Guido, Edward Jones Investments
 - Brennan Partners, Inc.
 - Cook Orthodontics
 - Cushnoc Brewing Company
- Edison Public Relations
 - Rebecca Tibbetts, Coldwell Banker
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Planned Giving

The Legacy Society is comprised of individuals who demonstrate extraordinary forethought and generosity to support the ongoing well-being of our community. Through thoughtful estate planning, they extend their impact beyond their lifetime, helping ensure future generations have the resources they need to thrive.

Realized Legacy Members

- John & Charlene Bridge
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Legacy Members

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- Joseph & Brittany Lajoie
- Gail Wippelhauser & Robert McIntire
- Sharon Reishus
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- Anonymous, in memory of Mildred DeBoer
- Anonymous (2)

Legacy Builders

These generous supporters joined our special “70 for 70th Legacy Challenge” in 2025 by making a planned gift or one-time cash contribution of \$250 or more in honor of our 70th anniversary.

- Ray Albert
- Central Maine Power, in honor of Matthew & Amanda Newell
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- Emily Theriault
- Shon Theriault
- Lauren Turcotte & Kenyan Robinson
- Martha Wentworth
- Courtney Yeager & Andrew Altmaier
- Anonymous



Community Volunteers

We are deeply grateful to everyone who gives their time to United Way—whether through Day of Caring, our Annual Golf Scramble, hands-on support in the United Way office, or behind the scenes throughout the year. Your willingness to show up and serve is what brings our mission to life.

We extend special thanks to our Board members, whose leadership, generosity, and ongoing commitment help guide this work forward. Your dedication strengthens our organization and the community we serve.

Board Members

- Corey Vose (Board Chair)
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Will you join us?



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