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**United Way of York County invests  
\$663K in local organizations**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2018 - KENNEBUNK, ME.** United Way of York County has awarded \$663,000 in grants to various organizations throughout the community. A total of 37 nonprofits will receive investments this year for 59 programs addressing a variety of critical needs for children, youth, adults and families. These investments support United Way’s strategic priority areas of Bright Beginnings, Healthy Foods, Connected Youth and Supportive Services.

“Thanks to the generosity of those who support United Way’s work throughout the year, we are able to provide continued and much needed support for essential and direct human services across the region,” noted United Way of York County President & CEO Barb Wentworth. “These important programs support the best start for our youngest citizens, provide healthy foods for children and seniors, engage youth in meaningful service, and meet basic needs, all critical components of our collective efforts to build an even stronger York County.”

New grants in the Connected Youth strategic area include Learning Works’ Service Works and Strategies for a Stronger Sanford’s Sanford Police Cadets and Backpack Program. A new grant in the Supportive Services strategic area this year includes LaDawn Quarter Horses Therapeutic Riding Center’s Ride for Children.

Since its inception in 1986, and thanks to the support of thousands of generous individuals, businesses, and organizations throughout York County, United Way has invested more than \$20 million in programs that make a difference in the lives of those they serve.

For a complete list of 2018 community investments, please see below.

**About United Way of York County**

United Way of York County improves lives by mobilizing people and resources. United Way of York County makes every dollar you give do more right here in your community. To learn more about United Way of York County, visit [www.buildcommunity.org](http://www.buildcommunity.org) or call 207-985-3359.

## 2018 FUNDED PROGRAMS

Organization Name	Program Name
Access Health Inc., d/b/a Leavitt's Mill	Public Health Immunization and Screening Program
American Red Cross	Youth Volunteer Engagement
American Red Cross	Disaster Cycle Services
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Maine	Youth Mentoring Program
Caring Unlimited	Outreach Services Program
Caring Unlimited	Transitional Housing Program
Catholic Charities Maine	St. Louis Child Development Center
Catholic Charities Maine	Independent Support Services
Community Bicycle Center	Youth Development
Community Dental	Biddeford Dental Center
Count ME In	Count ME In
Curtis Lake Church	My Place
Day One	Natural Helpers of Maine
Day One	Residential Treatment Program
Frannie Peabody Center	Access to Basic Needs for People Living with HIV/AIDS
Girl Scouts of Maine	A Place for Girls
Kids Free to Grow	Parenting Program
Kids Free to Grow	School and Community Based Education Programs
LaDawn Quarter Horses Therapeutic Riding Center	Ride for Children
LearningWorks	Service Works
Legal Services for the Elderly	Ensuring Elder Access to Long Term Care
Legal Services for the Elderly	York County Senior Helpline

Literacy Volunteers of Greater Sanford	Building Adult and Family Literacy
MaineHealth Care at Home	Parent and Child Health Program
Morrison Center	Integrated Clinical Services
Pine Tree Legal Assistance	Homelessness Prevention and Family Stability
Planned Parenthood of Northern New England	York County Reproductive Health Care
Sanford Springvale YMCA	YMCA Early Learning Center
Sanford Springvale YMCA	YMCA Interact Leaders Club
Sanford Springvale YMCA	Y Trafton Senior Center
Sexual Assault Response Services of Southern Maine	Sexual Assault Advocacy and Support Services
Sexual Assault Response Services of Southern Maine	Sexual Assault Prevention Education Program
Southern Maine Health Care	Let's Go! York County
Southern Maine Health Care	Care Partners of York County
St. Andre Home	Center for Parenting and Play - One-on-One Parent Coaching and Parenting Classes
St. George's Episcopal Church	Time of Wonder Early Learning Center
Strategies for a Stronger Sanford	Sanford Police Cadets
Strategies for a Stronger Sanford	Sanford Backpack Program
Sweetser	School-based Services: Funding uninsured and under-insured clients
The Center for Grieving Children	York County Bereavement Services
The Opportunity Alliance	CDA Development Center
The Opportunity Alliance	Foster Grandparent Program
The Opportunity Alliance	Family and Community Mediation Services
The Opportunity Alliance	CPPC Community Building
The Opportunity Alliance	Senior Companion Program
The Salvation Army of Sanford, ME	Family Services
The Salvation Army OOB	Community Lunch
The Salvation Army OOB	Hands Up

Volunteers of America Northern New England	Let's Eat
YMCA of Southern Maine	Community Childcare Center
York County Community Action Corporation	A Place for Us
York County Community Action Corporation	Access to Justice
York County Community Action Corporation	Head Start Summer Program
York County Community Action Corporation	GATHER Project
York County Community Action Corporation	Hope Fund
York County Community Action Corporation	York County Transport
York County Shelter Programs	York County Shelter Programs Food Pantry
York Hospital	Prescription Assistance Program

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