

Fall 2020 Edition

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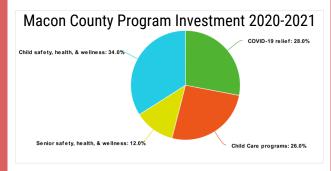
COVID-19 Resources

United Way has compiled a list of COVID-19 resources to help those in need. Please share with your friends, family, and those you know might need assistance.

Visit uwdecatur.org/COVID-19, or call 2-1-1 for help. If you have resources to add to our page, call us at 217-422-8537.

Current Community Investment

Right now our Community Investment is focusing on COVID-19 pandemic relief and recovery. We are investing in programs that directly impact those affected by COVID-19, especially the A.L.I.C.E. population struggling to pay rent, mortgage, utilities, and child care expenses. Additionally, we are investing in programs that impact the safety, health, and well-being of our most vulnerable populations: our youth and seniors. Finally, we remain committed to our Common Community Approach, ensuring all programs align with established Lines of Effort and achieve measurable outcomes. See our current investment at **uwdecatur.org**.



RUNNING A WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN IN 2020

2020 has been a challenging year for everyone. We understand that your workplace campaign this year might not look normal, so we have developed some great options to take place of the traditional campaign.

If you are unable to invite us in for a socially-distanced, in-person presentation, we can talk to employees over video conferencing apps (Zoom, Microsoft Teams, etc.) We can go through a short presentation, share our screen, and be available to answer questions. If video conferencing isn't ideal, we have recorded a brief presentation video. We can share that video with you to send around to your colleagues/employees. That video can be customized for your company if you request it.

Passing around paper pledge forms may not be an option this year. We have a PDF version of the pledge form that can be filled electronically and then emailed to your payroll contact, or printed out and mailed. If you do need some paper copies, let us know and we will get them to you. Additionally, employees can always submit a one-time or recurring pledge using our website's donate page: www.uwdecatur.org/donate

This year we are also offering a **Rollover Campaign** option. A Rollover Campaign takes your employee giving from last year's annual campaign and automatically rolls it over to the current campaign, unless any changes are specified by the employee. If this sounds like a good option for you, please reach out to sparks@uwdecatur.org or rhuffer@uwdecatur.org to get more information.

More information about all of these options is available on our new **Workplace Campaign Toolkit**. It's available at www.uwdecatur.org/workplace-campaign-toolkit. There you will find numerous resources to help you run a United Way campaign, including fundraising ideas, and much more!



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A.L.I.C.E. - Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed

We all know people who are **ALICE** - **A**sset **L**imited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed. ALICE workers educate our children, keep us healthy, and make our quality of life possible, yet they are one or two missed paychecks from slipping into poverty/crisis. ALICE households are forced to make tough choices, such as deciding between quality child care or paying the rent. These choices have long-term consequences not only for ALICE, but for all.

To better understand this growing population, United Way of Decatur & Mid-IL is using the United for ALICE website (www.unitedforalice.org), which provides a framework, language, statistics, and tools that community stakeholders - especially United Ways - can use to inform policy, drive innovation, and invest community resources.

The United for ALICE research hub is a source for exploring the latest ALICE data, on a national scale down to the local level. Check out www.unitedforalice.org/illinois to learn more about our state and the county you live in.

NEED HELP? CALL 2-1-1





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UPCOMING EVENTS



Participating Restaurants

- Beach House
- Black Iron Coffee Co. (MTZ)
- Decatur Coffee Connection
- Decatur Coffee Connection DMH
- Crawford's Pizza & Pub (MTZ)
- Decatur Club - The Downtown Cafe
- El Corral Mexican Restaurant
- Lincoln Square Lounge
- Lincoln Square Loung - Lock Stock & Barrel
- Papa Murphy's Decatur
- Richland Comm. College Cafe
- RCC Bistro Five Thirty Seven (Tuesdays only)
- Solsa American Burrito Co.
- Solsa American Burrito Co. Mt. Zion
- Sloan's Calzones - TapRoot
- University Dogs

Food Box distribution - October 17

We are giving away more food boxes to families in need. Swing by FAIRVIEW PARK at 10am on Oct. 17 and your vehicle will be loaded with food boxes. Decatur Police Auxiliary will be directing traffic. Keep watch on our website or Facebook for more details.

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