LIVE UNITED—CHANGE DOESN'T HAPPEN ALONE
Look around and you will find people who are in need of a helping hand to get
them through some tough times. By Living United you can make a difference in
the lives of others, people you know and many you don’t know. Live United by
volunteering your time and talents, advocating on behalf of others and giving.
Your financial contribution will go toward direct support as well as helping with
long-term strategies to prevent problems from developing.

VOLUNTEER
When you invest your time through volunteering, you become a critical part of
the solution to the challenges our community faces. Get involved. Neighbors right
here in the Merrill area need our help.

ADVOCATE
Whoever you are, wherever you are in life you can Find Your Voice to Advocate
for positive change in people’s lives. Don’t be silent. Recognize that you can
help influence positive change.

GIVE
Make United Way your investment partner. Give what you can. If you
can give $1.00 per week, that’s
$52.00 a year. Through United Way,
that can make a huge difference
in our support for the 20 agency
programs that drive improvements
for people. The United Way
Board is very conscientious about
the funding allocations made to
the agencies which administer
programs that some people can’t
live without. Open your heart and
give what you can. We will insure
that your dollars are used in a
positive way toward meaningful
impact when neighbors need help.

YOUR MERRILL AREA
UNITED WAY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARE BULLISH ON
MAKING
MERRILL STRONG!

Like many of you, we must make certain
every dollar is doing the most good.
In 2021 we were able to increase our
impact by 23% and provided $214,050
to our United Way affiliate agencies.
Plus $8,919 was designated to other
agencies; $3,000 to help fire victims;
and yet another $6,655 for 2-1-1 support
and other community needs. All totaled
$232,629 went for assistance and
positive change in people’s lives. This
is all thanks to the generous donations
from the community during our annual
campaign. These dollars are focused
on impact areas of education, health
and meeting basic needs.
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>>> UNITED WAY CREATES OPPORTUNITIES

• EDUCATION: Helping Children and Youth Achieve their Potential
• INCOME: Meeting The Basic Needs of Food, Housing, Jobs and Promoting Financial Independence
• HEALTH: Improving People’s Physical, Mental and Dental Health. A healthy community is a strong community.

Community Service Fund Supports: 2-1-1 GET CONNECTED and GET ANSWERS.
One financial gift supports 20 programs that impact positive change in our community. If you have any questions regarding your tax exempt gift, please contact the Merrill Area United Way.

We need your help!

United Way is dedicated to improving lives in three major impact areas: 1) basic need/financial independence; 2) education, and 3) health. The agencies we support rely heavily on United Way funds to sustain the programs they offer to help people. Our work is important to sustain these viable organizations that help so many local people.

The agencies include Basic Needs: Merrill Community Food Pantry, St. Vincent DePaul, North Central Community Action Program, MAC Home, Our Sisters Place, Salvation Army and HAVEN. Education agencies include Parkside Preschool Center, Inc., Big Brothers-Big Sisters, Family Resource Center, local Boy Scout programs, local Girl Scout programs, Merrill Safety Patrol, Childcare Inc. and anticipated Boys and Girls Club. Health agencies include Alzheimer’s Association, Peaceful Solutions, Inc., Epilepsy Foundation, and Healthy Minds for Lincoln County.

Being realistic, United Way has not increased its annual campaign goal for 2021-2022. We will strive to reach the previous years level. We hope all donors can increase their donation or at least sustain their 2021-22 level of giving. Please show you care and make a real difference in someone’s day by supporting the annual fall United Way drive. Let’s make our 75 Year campaign a great success.

LIVE UNITED
75 years
Merrill Area United Way

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HOW TO LIVE UNITED:
JOIN HANDS. OPEN YOUR HEART. LEND YOUR MUSCLE. FIND YOUR VOICE.

United Way’s 75th Anniversary “Concert for a Cause” performer Leslie Blasing of South Padre Island TX, sings a Ray Charles song.

SUPPORT THE MERRILL AREA ANNUAL CAMPAIGN. GIVE 110%. THINK WE BEFORE ME.
GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER. LIVE UNITED™

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