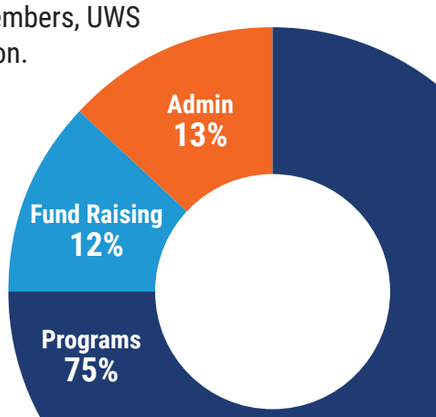
United Way Suncoast

REPORT to the COMMUNITY

United Way Suncoast is working together with the community to break the cycle of poverty and build a brighter tomorrow. This year, with the help of thousands of donors, volunteers, and community members, UWS invested $9.2 million in the 5-county region.

YOUR MONEY SUPPORTS

- Education (birth - age 5, and kindergarten-3rd grade)
- Income (financial education and workforce development)
- Disaster Services
- Support Services
- Neighborhood Programs
- Community Investments



5 County Region Conditions

Early Learning

Half of third grade students are reading below grade level according to 2021 FSA scores.

46% 46% of kindergartners are not ready to enter school based on the 2020-2021 Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener (FLKRS).

4x Students who are not reading on grade level by 3rd grade are four times more likely to drop out of high school (Annie E Casey Foundation, 2010).

Youth Success

89% 89% of high school students graduate on time in the UWS region (FLDOE).

~25% Nearly 25% of students identified as "at risk" did not graduate in our region (FLDOE).

$36k-78k Median parental income for all 5 counties is within the ALICE threshold. Children in higher socioeconomic status (SES) families have a stronger correlation with high school graduation and college graduation.

8% The difference in graduation rates between economically advantaged students and economically disadvantaged students on average across the 5 county region.

Financial Stability

In 2020, 1 in 3 people in the UWS region were in poverty or struggling financially (ACS & Census Bureau). We call this the ALICE (Asset-Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) population.

$28k In the 2021 tax season, the average income of a VITA program participant was approximately $28,000.

48-65% Between 48 and 65% of the population in the 5 county region is in the civilian workforce (ACS & Census Bureau).

WHAT WE DO

Early Learning

▶ Helping Students Read on Grade Level to Reach Their Full Potential

UWS-led Early Learning programs provided 95 students with tutoring. United Way provided reading coaches who supported students with over 990 tutoring hours last year.

56,077 56,077 local children received support from our Strategic Community Partners to improve their educational opportunities in DeSoto, Hillsborough Manatee, Pinellas, and Sarasota.

78% 78% of 1,033 children in UWS-funded Summer Care educational programs maintained or grew their reading scores, successfully limiting summer learning loss .

1,020 1,020 students in our funded programs were reading on grade level, or demonstrating progress.

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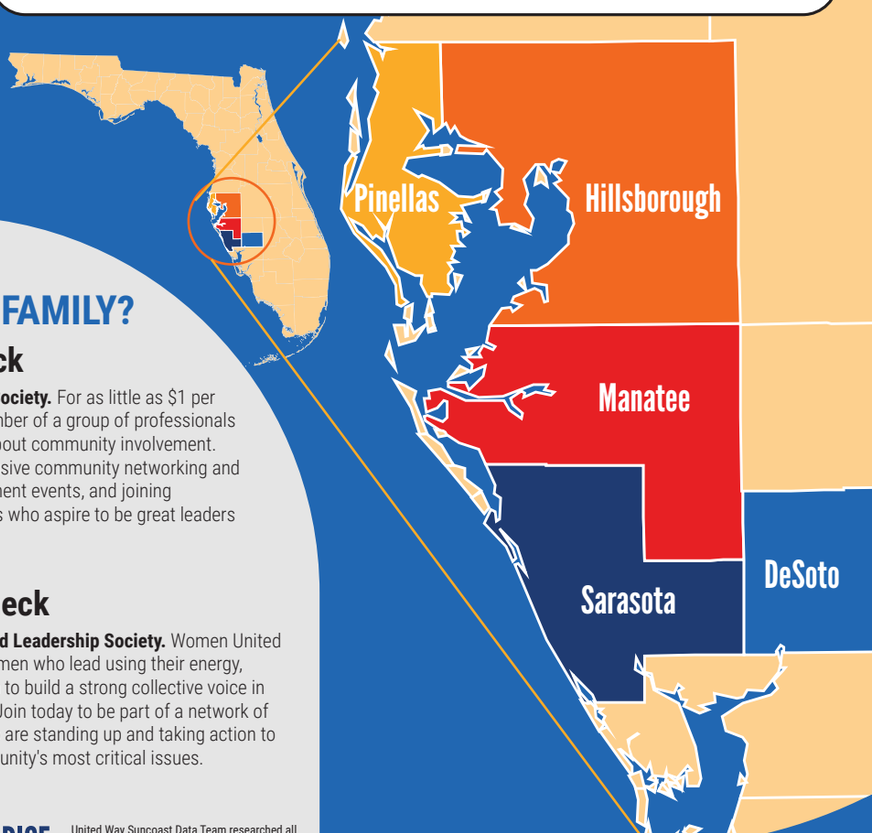
▶ Promote Financial Stability for Families and Individuals

8,491; $11 million 8,491 tax returns were prepared by United Way's VITA partnership. Using over 580 trained volunteers, taxpayers saved over $11 million in both savings from tax preparation fees and refunds that were given back to the community.

▶ Leading Efforts to Mediate the Eviction Crisis in the Region After the Pandemic

1 in 2 families in our region were housing cost burdened before the pandemic. UWS is leading efforts to mediate the eviction crisis in the region as Emergency Rental Assistance is available.

48,927 individuals 48,927 residents earned a certificates or degrees of higher education in 2021 from our partners. Paving the way towards skill growth and stable jobs.



Change Starts with You.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO SUPPORT A FAMILY?

$6/paycheck

Support a family through both our Early Learning and Youth Success programs. For as little as $6 per paycheck, you can be apart of improving Early Learning in our region by helping 3rd grade children read on grade level, and guiding middle and high-school students through graduation and workforce preparation.

$7/paycheck

Support a family through our financial stability work. For as little as $7 per paycheck, you can provide the programmatic cost to serve one family in Financial Stability. This cost funds a range of services such as job training, financial coaching, budgeting, credit building, or VITA Tax Preparation services.

$15/paycheck

Join Young Leaders Society. For as little as $1 per day, you can be a member of a group of professionals who are passionate about community involvement. Benefits include: exclusive community networking and professional development events, and joining like-minded individuals who aspire to be great leaders in the region.

$40/paycheck

Join Women United Leadership Society. Women United is a network of women who lead using their energy, talent, and passion to build a strong collective voice in our impact areas. Join today to be part of a network of caring women who are standing up and taking action to address our community's most critical issues.

Donate today.

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UNITED WE RISE, UNITED WE WIN.

United Way Suncoast Data Team researched all data points from program reporting information, and other publicly available data sources, such as the Florida Department of Education or the US Census Bureau.

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