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LARGEST OVERALL CONTRIBUTOR (EMPLOYEE & CORPORATE COMBINED):
First PREMIER Bank/PREMIER Bankcard

LARGEST PERCENT INCREASE IN CORPORATE GIVING:
First Bank & Trust & First Service Appraisal

LARGEST PERCENT INCREASE IN EMPLOYEE GIVING:
Austin Law Office & Office Peeps

LIVE UNITED VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:
Kellee Dragt

TOP 5 LARGEST CORPORATE GIFTS:

First PREMIER Bank/PREMIER Bankcard, Glacial Lakes Energy, Miller Electric Mfg. LLC, Prairie Lakes Healthcare System & Watertown Ford Chrysler

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2025-2026 HEART CLUB

Pacesetter \$5,000 & Above

Milt & Chris Carter
Scott & Jodi Driscoll
Robert Elmen
Drs. Ed & Cathy Gerrish
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David W. & Jan Johnson
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Platinum \$2,000 - \$4,999

Anonymous
Troy & Nicole Barthel
Jim & Michele Engels
Bill & Kay Folkerts
Wendy & Ken Fransen
Bruce & Colleen Hestad
Josh & Emily Hogue
Marcus & Jen Howard
Steve & Joan Jorgenson
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Gold \$1,000 - \$1,999

Brock & Laura Asmussen
Chris & Cathy Bartelt
Tom & Cheri Beadnell
Laurie Benson
Lorie Blackwell
Dan & Misty Brenden
Brian & Tracy Buisker
Dennis & Cindy Burrell
Donald Cain
Shane & Becky Conger
Mike & Laurie Danforth
Thomas & Eva Engebretson
Brad & Karen Fishman
Terry & Barb Fjeldheim
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Steve & Angie Hageman
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Dr. Bernie H.P. Hanson
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Brooks & Kristen Henderson
Jeremy & Melissa Herrboldt
Keaton Hilber
Jason & Michelle Himmerich
Marty & Vera Hooten
Dr. Ellen Hopper
John & Cindy Hopper

Henry Huang
Lee & Jane Hurlbert
Jason & Tia Hutt
Jason & Michele Karpinske
David Keefe
Mike & JoDee Kluck
Wayne & Rhonda Kruger
Matt & Molly Lindgren
Tami & Bert Magstadt
John Marshall
Brenda McKee Almos
Jason & Melissa Meester
Wayne Meester
Alexzander Neville
Dustin & McKenzie Padgett
Joey & Miranda Patek
Brian & Amber Richter
Don & Kelly Roby
Marisa Sobeski
Jason & Jaime Stricker
Alan & Susan Taecker
Nancy Turbak Berry
Scott & Shelly Turbak
David & Teresa Veflin
Glen & Darla Vilhauer
Joel & Jessica Vockrodt
Troy & Becky Zebroski
Bill & Cathy Zubke

Silver \$750 - \$999

Christina Aas
Dan & Sandy Albertsen
David Aman
Corey & Kristin Baloun
Don & Chris Barse
Breanna Beebe
Christine Berger
Angie & Mike Bevers
LeAnn & Douglas Caulfield
Leigh Carstensen
Lori Christensen
Mark & Abby Dunn
Darwin & Brenda Engels
Charlie & Jayne Ewalt
Bert & Beth Falak
Tracy & Julie Fuerstenau
Alina Galan
Diane Gripp
Cory & Angela Hanson
Rick Hoff & Moriah Laidlaw
Eric Danforth
Steve & Nancy Kjellsen
Josh & Kim Konrad
Steve & Kim Lehner
Dr. Clark & Gerry Likness
Chad & Kari Lohr
Luann Millburg
Chad Miller
Scott & Jenny Olson

Todd & Molly Randall
Hope & Jarid Rudebusch
Garett & Heather Schimmel
Bernetta & Dale Spurrell
Brooks Schoenefeld & Carisa Vavruska
Cathy Shanholts
Chris Swiden
Clyde Thrift
Travis & Tasha Torgerson
Tim & Julie Walter
Scott & Connie Ward
Adam & Amanda Wientjes
Matthew Willis
Jordan & Brittany Wollschlager
Bill & Caitlin Voecks

Bronze \$500 - \$749

Anonymous
Anonymous
Anonymous
Anonymous
Cliff Herzog
John & Roxanne Hills
Misty Hinze
Terry & Nancy Hoffman
Rick & Cheryl Hohn
Robert Hospes
Cynthia Houts Spieker
Bruce Hult
Bonnie L. Hunter
Jeff & Kelly Jaderborg
Ashley Johnson
Jay & Kristi Johnson
Jeana Johnson
Kerri Johnson
Max Johnson
Michele Johnson
Morgan & Justin Johnson
Scott & Kari Johnston
Scott & Angela Jorgenson
Chad Julius
Gwen Kahre
John Kastner
Josh & Anna Kettwig
Chelsea Kimble
Mitch Koehn
Rich & Lori Koehn
Randy & Lisa Konold
Matt Konrady
Mark & Sally Kranz
Nick & Diane Kranz
Brandi Krause
Brandon & Shona Krause
Ronda Kutter
David Lee
Jessica Lee
Jill Lenards
Mary Lewno
Derek & Melissa Luken

Susan Fairchild
Ronald Farias
Dan Felch
J.T & Kris Fey
Darbee Fryer
Jaelynn Gaspar
Crystal Gast
Brad & Shelley Gauer
Joel & Krissa Gerberding
Shelley Gerken
Michael German
Tonya German
Robbyn Givens
Sandi Gruenwald
Kelly & Carol Guenther
Amy Hansen
Michael & Sarah Hansen
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Twila Hanten
Alisha Harberts
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Derek & Melissa Luken

Debbie Lukonen
Keith & RaVonne Lukonen
Tina Maag
Dale Mack
Rick & Cheryl Mack
Jason & Nikki Mark
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Tom Mattingly
Mike & Michelle Meidinger
Sean & Kristi Melmer
Jason & Cammie Mengwasser
Quinn Merriam
Chris & Janelle Miller
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Rachel Moser
Eric & Melissa Muller
Brianna Murphy
Angela Nebel
Travis & Jennifer Nelsen
Brooke Nelson
Shelby Nelson
Joshua Obenauer
Evan Odle
Lynn Osthus
Don Palmer
Billie Paulsen
Mike & Holly Paulson
Jeremy & Jodi Penrod
Carol Pollard
Christopher Ragsdale
Lorrie Redlin
Steve Rehorst
Mark & Kristi Reiersen
Tara Reihe
Nancy & Mark Reishus
Rich & Teresa Remmers
Ryan & Sherri Remmers
Shane Reppe
Andy & Amanda Ries
Amy Ringsaker
Stefanie & Matt Roby
Brad Russell
Don & Lola Sackreiter
Ann & David Schmidt
Sheila Schroeder
Dustin L. Schuler
Mike Schulte
Ranae Schussler
Jaylene Seppala
Steve & Jeanne Sheehan
A.J. Sherill
John & Jan Small
Lisa Smith
Tara Solum
Duane & Tami Sonen
Mark & Jana Stein
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Ashley Stormo
David & LuAnn Strait
Justin & Tanya Struckman
Jarod & Kristina Suttan
Kristin Taffe
Troy & Melissa Terronez
Mike & Michelle Theisen
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Blair Titze & Nancy Oviatt
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UNITED IS THE WAY: 56 YEARS OF IMPACT



**WE FUND 28 AGENCY PROGRAMS
WHO IMPACT HEALTHY COMMUNITY,
YOUTH OPPORTUNITY, FINANCIAL
SECURITY, COMMUNITY RESILIENCY.**

2025-2027 Campaign Chairs
Andy & Abby Turbak

99% OF DONATIONS STAY IN WATERTOWN

The Watertown Area United Way is a non-profit community based volunteer organization whose purpose is to assist in meeting human care needs of Watertown Area residents. **GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.**



Care has been taken to list all names completely and accurately. We regret any errors or omissions.

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF \$655,000.

INVESTING IN YOUR LOCAL UNITED WAY & OUR 28 AGENCY PROGRAMS HELPS THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS IN AND AROUND THE WATERTOWN AREA. AS UNITED WAY STANDS BY OUR AGENCIES WE ASK THE COMMUNITY TO STAND BY UNITED WAY.



HOW TO HELP

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY BY VOLUNTEERING WITH, ADVOCATING FOR, OR GIVING TO UNITED WAY. PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL BY DONATING ONLINE, BY MAIL, VIA PAYROLL DEDUCTION, OR STOP BY OUR OFFICE TO DROP OFF YOUR GIFT.

WAYS TO GIVE

1. SECURE ONLINE DONATION: Scan the QR code with the camera app on a smart device or visit www.watertownunitedway.org and click on the red DONATE button on the right.

2. PAYROLL DEDUCTION: Ask your employer for a pledge card. If your employer does not offer payroll deduction call UW for a pledge card or help get your employer on the list of campaign businesses for United Way.

3. BILL AT HOME: Download a pledge card off the United Way website or stop by the office to grab one. United Way can send you a monthly, quarterly or an annual bill at home for your pledged amount.

4. MAIL: Donations can be addressed to "Watertown Area United Way" and mailed to PO Box 283, Watertown, SD, 57201.

5. DROP OFF AT UW OFFICE: Donations can be dropped off 24/7 at our office into a locked mailbox. Seal your donation in an envelope labeled "United Way" and insert into the building's mail slot. The mail slot is located to the right of the outside front door labeled with a sign saying "United Way Donation Drop Off".

6. ENDOWMENT FUND: Give towards the Watertown Area United Way endowment fund held with the local community foundation. You can donate to the endowment online or by mailing a check. For more details on how to give to the endowment fund please call (605) 886-5815 or email director@watertownunitedway.org.



DONATE ONLINE TODAY!

IMPACT AREAS



2-1-1 HELPLINE CENTER DOLLY PARTON IMAGINATION LIBRARY
DELTA DENTAL MOBILE PROGRAM SINGLECARE

2026-2027 PARTNERS & INITIATIVES

BEACON CENTER

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF WATERTOWN, INC.

BRAMBLE PARK ZOO

CODINGTON COUNTY TREATMENT COURT

CODINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

COMMUNITY TRANSIT OF WATERTOWN, INC.

EAST CENTRAL COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA)

EMBE – GIRLS ON THE RUN

GIRL SCOUTS – DAKOTA HORIZONS

HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY - PROJECT SUCCESS

HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY: SERENITY HILLS & SERENITY COVE

ICAP* - DEUEL COUNTY SCHOOL SUPPLIES

ICAP* - HAMLIN COUNTY SCHOOL SUPPLIES

ICAP* – HEAD START SUPPLIES

ICAP* – HEAD START OFFICE SUPPORT

ICAP* – 60'S PLUS DINING

ICAP* – VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)

LATC ADULT EDUCATION & LITERACY PROGRAM (AEL)

WATERTOWN AREA PEOPLE AGAINST CHILD HUNGER (PACH)

WATERTOWN AREA SWIM CLUB

WATERTOWN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

WATERTOWN CARES

WATERTOWN FIGURE SKATING CLUB

WATERTOWN FIRE RESCUE COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION
SMOKE & CO ALARM PROGRAM

WATERTOWN FIRE RESCUE PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATOR
(PAD) PROGRAM

WATERTOWN LACROSSE CLUB

WATERTOWN SANDWICH MINISTRY

WATERTOWN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

*ICAP stands for Interlakes Community Action Partners

\$10 A WEEK CAN...

Provide complete sack lunches with sandwiches, snacks, and essentials for neighbors in need. *(Watertown Sandwich Ministry)*

Help local families in crisis with essential utilities or safe, permanent housing. *(Watertown Cares)*

Provide foster children with advocates who protect their best interests. *(East Central Court Appointed Special Advocates – CASA)*

Provide 130 rides to help local residents reach work, medical care, and other essential destinations. *(Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.)*

Provide free tax preparation for six households to maximize refunds and improve financial stability. *(ICAP – VITA)*

11th Annual MONTGOMERY'S Sweepstakes

Win A \$5,000 Room Makeover

To enter: Donate \$52 or more as a first-time giver, increase your annual gift by \$52, or join our Heart Club with a gift of \$500 or more. Every dollar helps build a stronger, more united community!

UNITED WAY OUTREACH



IMAGINATION LIBRARY

The Watertown Area United Way and the Watertown Regional Library have been instrumental in fostering early childhood literacy through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Since its inception in 2002, the program has successfully graduated over 4,500 young learners and continues to support the educational journey of 889 children as of July 2026.

The initiative underscores the importance of accessibility, offering free monthly books to children aged 0-5 in Codington County, with the added inclusivity of bilingual and braille editions. This commitment to literacy has resulted in the distribution of over a quarter of a million books, enriching the lives of countless families.

For those interested in enrolling their children, the process is streamlined with an online registration available in both English and Spanish, ensuring no child is left behind in the pursuit of knowledge and imagination.

**Watertown Area United Way covers 100% of the cost to run the Imagination Library locally. United Way does accept sponsorships and has received local grants to help sponsor the library but any remaining costs are covered by your local United Way and NOT Dolly Parton or her foundation.

DELTA DENTAL MOBILE

The Watertown Area United Way's collaboration with the Delta Dental Mobile Program is a shining example of community health initiatives making a significant impact. Since its inception in 2011, the program has consistently provided essential dental care to children, ensuring that financial constraints do not hinder access to necessary health services. The impressive number of youths served, and the substantial value of the care provided reflect the program's commitment to oral health and education.

Since its first visit in 2011 the bus has served over 860 youth and provided dental care at no cost to the families valued at \$638,550 in Codington County.

This initiative not only addresses immediate dental needs but also instills the importance of oral hygiene in the younger generation, fostering a healthier community for years to come.

