

United Way of Central New Mexico's Community Fund

What is the Community Fund?

United Way of Central New Mexico's Community Fund helps those most vulnerable through program grants to qualifying health and human service agencies in Bernalillo, Sandoval, Torrance and Valencia counties.

In 2011-12, these grants will support 110 programs, totaling \$3,515,500. The programs touch the lives of more than 185,000 of our neighbors. They strengthen families, provide education, eliminate hunger, prevent family violence and serve seniors and those homeless, disabled or ill.

Volunteers ensure donors' Community Fund gifts are invested wisely, providing the most needed services in our local community.

Why should I give to the Community Fund?

- You can reach farther and deeper by supporting a range of services that support our most vulnerable neighbors.
- You support programs that community agencies know are important, but that are more challenging to fund through other means.
- You inspire others by supporting the solutions our community needs, for a variety of issues. And you can be part of the process of distributing these dollars by joining a panel.

What issues are part of the Community Fund?

EDUCATION

Strengthening Families: Family and child advocacy; legal assistance

Building Independence: Emergency services; literacy and learning programs

Supporting Education: Specialty schools and preschools; out-of-school time education support

INCOME

Assisting People with Disabilities: Services to children and adults with disabilities

Sheltering Neighbors: Shelter for children and families; homelessness services and housing

Serving Our Seniors: Senior services, including legal assistance

HEALTH

Preventing Family Violence: Empowering victims of violence and domestic violence shelters

Eliminating Hunger: Food assistance for individuals and families

Promoting Healthy Lives: Cancer support services; access to healthcare; therapy for children and families; mental health care

What have other donors said about the Community Fund?

"Serving on a panel is an effective way to influence funding for the most vulnerable. It's a way in which you come to better understand the community and its people." Roseanne, Panel Volunteer

"Volunteer for a life-changing experience—it's well worth the time and effort. Experience nonprofit agencies at work helping those in need—something you may never otherwise have the opportunity to see firsthand." Karen, Panel Volunteer