



You may have heard a bit about United Way and **Community Impact** efforts. Through the United Way's **Community Impact** work, United Ways focus on select, priority issues in which it can work with partners to create lasting changes for positive impact on our community's future. It's not just about meeting today's needs, but developing strategies to address root causes and deliver positive results for the future.

As we begin our journey toward community impact, the United Way of Mat-Su is working with local partners to develop a **Community Impact Plan** that will identify our residents' greatest concerns and begin developing strategies to effectively address them. The most important first step in this process is to get input from our donors, volunteers, agencies and others who live in the Mat-Su.

As a United Way donor and caring community resident, you certainly have a unique perspective on the issues our community faces. We want your input on issues that you believe matter most to our community. Please take a few minutes to answer the following survey. Your feedback is much appreciated! Thank you!



In the following list, what do you think are the **5 most important issues** for the *United Way of Mat-Su* to address as a priority community impact issue?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Employment: pay/jobs</b>                              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Poverty</b>                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Job Training/Workforce development</b>                | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Illiteracy</b>                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>School readiness/quality preschools</b>               | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Gangs</b>                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Academic achievement/Youth dropout</b>                | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Affordable child-care</b>            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Youth activities after school</b>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Teen pregnancy</b>                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Affordable health care/Coverage</b>                   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Access to health care</b>            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Recreation/Leisure opportunities</b>                  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Crime</b>                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Domestic violence/abuse</b>                           | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Transportation</b>                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Financial stability: income, budgets &amp; assets</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Maternal &amp; Infant well being</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Health promotion/prevention</b>                       | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Basic Needs: food, shelter</b>       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Elderly services/programs</b>                         | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disaster Preparedness</b>            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Substance Abuse-alcohol/drugs</b>                     | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Mental/emotional health</b>          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Homelessness/Affordable Housing</b>                   |  |



At United Way of Mat-Su, we believe we can work together to bring about real and lasting change. **Please rank the top THREE goals to help build our community's Agenda for Change:**

**Families have access to support and activities that help them become strong, happy and self-sufficient.**

**There is increased awareness about the dangers of substance abuse and a decrease in cases of abuse and addiction.**

**There is a reduction in homelessness and more affordable housing available.**

**All children have the opportunity to be cared for and have fun as they learn and become ready for school.**

**All youth have access to support and activities that help them be productive and stay in school.**

**Senior Citizens are able to stay healthy in their homes through support services and access to quality elder day care.**

**There is an increase in availability of jobs that pay a living wage and more people can access them because of job skills training.**

**There is a decrease in the need for emergency food and shelter as people gain stability through financial counseling/education.**

**All families and individuals have access to free or affordable quality health care, regardless of income.**

**Persons with mental illness or other disabilities have access to quality treatment and support that help them become strong, happy and as self-sufficient as possible.**

**All people have access to transportation for work, school, errands, activities and social services.**

**How can United Way of Mat-Su best serve the community in addressing significant issues and create positive change for the future?**

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**SURVEY COMPLETED!  
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**Thank you!**