

Lycoming County United Way





## Season of Gratitude

Looking back on 2021, one word comes to mind: Grateful. We are grateful to be a member of this community. We are grateful for the neighbors we have served and their impact on our lives. We are grateful for the support the community has shown this organization over the last 100 years.

As we enter our 100th year, we want to keep gratitude in our hearts, and we need your help. What are you grateful for? We want to know. Reach out to us through our social media, send us an email, or give us a call!



## Free Coffee for Health Care Heros!



We are partnering up with UPMC this holiday season to show our gratitude for some of the dedicated health care workers in our community! Any UPMC employee can visit Julie's Cafe, Alabaster Coffee Roaster & Tea Company, or Backhouse Cafe Coffee & Tea on December 29 and 30, or The Sawhorse Cafe on December 27 and 30, present their name badge, and receive a free cup of coffee while supplies last!

## 2021 is Coming to a Close

As we prepare for the holidays, we are also getting ready to bring 2021 to a close. If you haven't made your 2021 gift, please be sure to have it postmarked by Friday, December 31! Our office with be closed Friday, December 31st for the New Years Holiday.

You can give online at our website
-ORYou can send us your gift via mail at:
One West Third Street, Suite 208
Williamsport, PA 17701

Thank you so much for your continued support. We wish all our friends and neighbors and happy holiday season!

# Things to Look For...

We are working with some of our partners to plan an event to honor special members of

our community in the New Year. Look for a special announcement in the coming weeks!



# #GivingTuesday



Thank you again to everyone who was a part of #GivingTuesday2021. Your gifts go a long way in the lives of our neighbors in need.

We also want to thank our community partners, The Brickyard, The Stonehouse, The James, Windows on 4th, and New Trail Brewing, and AllOne Charities for supporting us!

# Promoting Education One Book at a Time

It has certainly been the season of giving! Our Director of Community Impact, JanAnn, has been busy delivering books to different schools throughout the community from <a href="Koppers - Susquehanna Plant">Koppers - Susquehanna Plant</a> and private volunteers!





Happy Holidays!

#gratefulness.

According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, the word grateful was first used in 1552 and defined as being "appreciative of benefits or expressing gratitude." From the Latin gratus or grace.

Like 2020, the year 2021 has been one filled with anger, hatred, division, and disease, and yet, I am grateful. I am grateful for a community that cares, grateful for family and friends, and grateful for the staff, board, and community committed to advancing the mission of the United Way for almost a century.

As we begin 2022 in a few weeks, my thoughts shift to the word hopeful. The word hopeful means "having qualities that inspire hope, full of hope, inclined to hope." We all need hope. Hope for a better way of life, hope to end disease and pain and return to things and people we miss. I am hopeful for the next 100 years of service to our community, and while I am pretty sure I will not be around to enjoy it, those who started this organization in 1922 certainly had hope and a sense of vision for what could be.

This is our last newsletter of 2021. I am grateful for those who have contributed to it and those who read it. I am thankful for the kind words of encouragement from many of our supporters and happy for any feedback.

With your help, we will continue to work to mobilize the collective resources of our communities to change lives. We need your support now more than ever. If you would like to mail a gift, please be sure to have it postmarked by December 31. You can also deliver to our offices by 3:00 PM on December 30 or visit our website.

As we celebrate Christmas and the new year, take time with family and loved ones in the next few weeks. It's been a hard couple of years. Slow down a bit. Listen more. Argue less. Love more. Life is short

Together, we can make an impact. We are a community. Change doesn't happen alone.

Blessings,







#### **American Rescue Workers**

### **CEAP Program:**

The American Rescue Workers, CEAP program offers assistance in an emergent situation. These individuals who are requesting assistance have exhausted all other resources. They provide immediate needs related to hunger, homelessness, medical concerns, and other emergency issues that threaten the safety and wellbeing of Lycoming County residents.



## Saving Grace Shelter:

The American Rescue Workers, Saving Grace Shelter program is a twenty-four bed, day-to-day emergency shelter, sheltering men, women, and children. The Shelter provides all necessary supplies needed to live a day-to-day life and each individual within the shelter

receives case management to solve their housing crisis. Saving Grace is the only true emergency shelter in Lycoming County. And for that matter, the only emergency shelter of its kind within five counties.





#### **GIVE:**

#### ADVOCATE:

#### **VOLUNTEER:**

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Thank you for your continued support of the Lycoming County United Way!

Together we make an impact. Together we #LIVEUNITED! Because change doesn't happen alone.

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Supporting the Lycoming County United Way means supporting your community and enabling our organization to continue to fund the critical programs our partners provide. Your investment in the Lycoming County United Way helps ensure that people in communities in Lycoming, Sullivan and Tioga Counties continue to have these resources available to them.

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