



## Wright County Area United Way

**THANK YOU**, to those of you who responded so quickly to supporting our community during the **COVID-19 Response Fund**. We raised almost \$53,000 which was deployed into our communities to help with food, health, shelter and education. Our food shelves were deeply supported, senior shut in meals, backpack buddies school food programs, and also domestic violence support.

A very special thank you to the Initiative Foundation for their grant and to Cargill for their generous donation.

### Our COVID-19 phases to help every community member in every community we serve...

#### **RESPONSE (Goals: Compassion, Care, Contact, Coordinate, Connect) March - May 2020**

- Funding for 2-1-1, our community resource line to ensure community members had access and knowledge to services available was secured
- A Response Fund was established, raising almost \$53,000 in three weeks
- Our allocation funding cycle was accelerated and completed- three months worth of work in three weeks
- We funded 27 agencies for a total of \$160,000
- Our funding was deployed two months earlier than our typical cycle to get agencies dollars that were desperately needed
- Collaborating with multiple agencies in Wright County we secured and created access to resources for all community members

#### **RECOVERY (Goals: Convene, Collaborate, Continue, Communicate) June - August 2020**

- Further communication and assistance with partner agencies, especially in food security and domestic violence
- Communication with donors and donor corporations
- Assessing programming that is out of acute need, and those still need services
- Creating a plan for moving forward
- Creating processes for donors and clients in a virtual world
- Begin Campaign imagination and creation

#### **RESTORE (Goals: Campaign, Community, Constant, Collaborate, Conquer) September 2020 -**

- Communicate with donors using technology and platforms
- Assist partner agencies in sustaining programming and services
- Collaborate with donor partners and agency partners to find programs that align with donors' passions and community needs
- Continue to convene community members and partners in working towards rebuilding our economy and community

We fully support that everyone is doing everything they can at this point, for every one. We are all in this, and it is our choice to be in this, **TOGETHER**. We give where we live in Wright County, and we choose to **LIVE UNITED**.