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WOMEN UNITED NEWSLETTER

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Sip, Shop, and Support Early Learning



Join us for a special evening on November 20th from 5 to 7 PM at Kendra Scott Gives Back to United Way! Enjoy sips, sweets, and company while shopping for a cause. When you mention the event or show your invitation at checkout, 20% of your purchase will support early childhood education and development. Raise a glass of champagne, treat yourself, and make a difference! This event will be held at the Town Center Crossing location only, or you can shop online to give back. To learn more or RSVP for the event, visit [here](#).

RSVP for Kendra Scott Gives Back to United Way

Your Investment in Early Childhood Education



Thank you for your continued support of United Way and for being part of our Women United network of changemakers. Your generosity is helping shape brighter futures for children and families across our community. In this year's Annual Report, you can see the real influence of your giving in action. We've highlighted key sections that showcase your powerful impact on early childhood education which you can explore [here](#).

Your Impact on Early Childhood Education

Volunteer to be a Community Advisory Member

**BIG DECISIONS NEED
COMMUNITY VOICES.**



Volunteer as a Community Advisory Member for the 2026 Impact 100 selection process and help decide which local organizations will receive United Way funding and support in the year ahead. You'll review a set of grant applications at your own pace over about six weeks, then take part in one virtual training and one in-person review meeting to share your perspective. Your voice can help guide equitable, impactful investments that uplift our neighbors and strengthen our community. [Sign up to be a Community Advisory Member today.](#)

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How a United Way Debit Card Helped Sharon Find Relief



At 78, Sharon and her husband are navigating health challenges and rising living costs that made retirement more difficult than expected.

“I was shocked that I wasn’t more prepared for illness during retirement,” Sharon said. “And I was raised that if you can’t afford something, you just give it up. So for me, to ask for help was kind of a hard thing.”

Through the Grandview Assistance Program, a United Way Impact 100 partner, and United Way’s debit card initiative, Sharon received critical support for food, gas, and even a walker not covered by insurance.

Launched two years ago, United Way’s debit card initiative provides immediate relief for families facing inflation. In its first two rounds, the program has distributed more than \$1.8 million to over 1,500 households across the metro, helping cover essentials like food, transportation, rent, and medical care. It's thanks to your generosity, these programs are possible. To learn more about Sharon's story, read [here](#).

Empowering Children and Adults to Stay Safe



The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA), a United Way Impact 100 partner, is dedicated to improving the lives of those affected by sexual abuse and assault while working to prevent sexual violence across our community. Through its Project Aware program, MOCSA provides age-appropriate education on body safety for children in pre-K through 5th grade and empowers adults to recognize and prevent child sexual abuse. Offered in both English and Spanish, the program serves Missouri schools, engaging students, parents, and teachers alike. To learn more about MOCSA and how you can get involved with their work, visit [here](#).

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Recent United Way Articles

[Impact 100 Applications open to KC Metro Nonprofits](#)

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[Five Organization's Empowering Kansas City's Hispanic Communities](#)

[ECM Spotlight: Shantaja Heath of Arvest Bank](#)

[From Toothache to Relief: Debit Card Program Support Local Family](#)

Upcoming Events

2025 WOMEN UNITED PLANNING CALENDAR



AUGUST 6: REFRESH A CLASSROOM



SEPTEMBER 12-13: COMMUNITY FEST



OCTOBER: WOMEN UNITED COFFEE + NETWORKING



NOVEMBER 2: WOMEN UNITED AT CPKC STADIUM



DECEMBER: SEASONS OF GIVING VOLUNTEER EVENTS



WOMEN UNITED NEWSLETTERS

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Apply to be a Community Advisory Member

Application closes November 7

Volunteer Opportunity | Open to All

[Sign up to be a Community Advisory
Member.](#)



Impact 100 Grant Applications Open

Date: October 14 - November 14

Grant Opportunity | Open to Nonprofits within
United Way of Greater Kansas City's six-
county service region

[Learn more about the Impact 100
application here.](#)



Kendra Scott Gives Back to United Way

Location: Kendra Scott, Town Center
Crossing, 4533 West 119th Street, Leawood,
Kansas 66209

Date: November 20

Time: 5:00PM - 7:00PM

Giveback Event | Open to all

[RSVP for Kendra Scott Gives Back to
United Way here.](#)



Seasons of Giving Presented by Deloitte

Dates: December 2025

Locations: TBA

Volunteer Opportunity | Open to All

Save the date for Seasons of Giving.

To learn more about sponsorship opportunities available for our upcoming 2025
signature events, reach out to development@uwgkc.org, connect with your
United Way representative directly or visit [here](#).

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