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Clearinghouse on Human Services
Healthy Families Florida Screening Committee
One Goal Summer Conference
Florida Alliance of Information & Referral Services (FLAIRS)
Florida Children’s Summit Planning Committee
Florida Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)
Children’s Week

The Florida State Employees’ Charitable Campaign – A 26-Year Giving History

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* You and I have a rendezvous with destiny. We will preserve for our children this, the last best hope of man on earth, or we will sentence them to take the first step into a thousand years of darkness. If we fail, at least let our children and our children’s children say of us we justified our brief moment here.

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- Volunteer Resource Center (Disaster)

**Community Impact**

- Community Impact – Human Care Network (HCA)
- LW Neighborhood House

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- Funding partner: Success By 6, Human Services Council, HMIS Grant, Caring Club, NALC partner
- Capital Campaign, Funding Partner: Whole Dows Holiday Project, Special Gifts for Students
- NALC partner

**Supportive Partners**

- CFC, ES/Learning Program, Cols for Kids (Christmas), NALC Food Drive, YOAS, CERT Program, Summer For Kids, Human Capital Coalition, County Health Dept/DMH Medical Respite Corp.
- Funding Partner: 211, NALC partner

**Other**

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**2-1-1/First Call For Help**

- Community Resource Center

**Hands on Tampa Bay, Workplace Volunteer Council, Volunteer Management Training, Disaster Services, Family Well-Being Agenda, Summer Care Initiative, Targeted Neighborhoods, West Cent FL Labor Council**

**Partner with NEFIN for HMIS; lead agency for Homeless Services Network & Long-Term Recovery**

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  - Healthy Families, HOMEPASS grants, HCA partner

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**The Grapevine**

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The Broad Array of Programs Operated by Florida United Ways

Broward County
- Broward Education Foundation
- Broward Partnership for Children
- Broward Women's Network

Brevard County
- Brevard Community Foundation
- Brevard Neighborhoods
- Brevard Women's Network

Big Bend (Tallahassee)
- Big Bend Community Foundation
- Big Bend Community Leaders
- Big Bend Women's Network

Charitable Community (Highland Cty)
- Charitable Community Foundation
- Charitable Community Leaders
- Charitable Community Women's Network

Central Florida (Orlando)
- Central Florida Community Foundation
- Central Florida Leadership Circle
- Central Florida Women's Network

Miami-Dade
- Miami-Dade Community Foundation
- Miami-Dade Women's Network

Martin County
- Martin Community Foundation
- Martin Women's Network

Marion County
- Marion County Community Foundation
- Marion County Women's Network

Manatee County
- Manatee Community Foundation
- Manatee Women's Network

Lee County
- Lee Community Foundation
- Lee Women's Network

Highland County
- Highland Community Foundation
- Highland Women's Network

Tampa Bay
- Tampa Bay Community Foundation
- Tampa Bay Women's Network

Suwannee Valley
- Suwannee Community Foundation
- Suwannee Women's Network

South Sarasota
- Sarasota Community Foundation
- Sarasota Women's Network

Northwest Florida
- Northwest Florida Community Foundation
- Northwest Florida Women's Network

Santa Rosa County
- Santa Rosa Community Foundation
- Santa Rosa Women's Network

Okaloosa-Walton Counties
- Okaloosa-Walton Community Foundation
- Okaloosa-Walton Women's Network

North Central Florida
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- North Central Florida Women's Network

St. Johns County
- St. Johns Community Foundation
- St. Johns Women's Network

Putnam County
- Putnam Community Foundation
- Putnam Women's Network

Pasco County
- Pasco Community Foundation
- Pasco Women's Network

Palm Beach County
- Palm Beach Community Foundation
- Palm Beach Women's Network

Lake & Sumter Counties
- Lake Community Foundation
- Lake Women's Network

Heart of Florida (Ocala)
- Heart of Florida Community Foundation
- Heart of Florida Women's Network

Lake & Sumter Counties
- Lake Community Foundation
- Lake Women's Network

Monroe County (Key West)
- Monroe Community Foundation
- Monroe Women's Network

Tampa Bay
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- Tampa Bay Women's Network

Suwannee Valley
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- Suwannee Women's Network

South Sarasota
- Sarasota Community Foundation
- Sarasota Women's Network
Big Bend: In 1992 became a regional UW; currently a United Way with county-wide volunteer involvement through the United Way of North Florida. The United Way of Bay County offers a wide range of services to the community, including food pantries, clothing banks, and financial counseling.

Brevard: The United Way of Brevard County has a rich history of community service and collaboration. In 2005, they led the creation of the Brevard Long-Term Recovery Coalition to address the needs of hurricane survivors. They have also partnered with Leadership Brevard on the Brevard Tomorrow initiative, and with a local organization to build a food bank to store food for the local community.

Central Florida: The United Way of Central Florida has a long history of serving the community. They have partnered with the University of Central Florida to create the Center for Learning through Organized Volunteer Efforts (CLOVE), which trains people in volunteerism. They have also partnered with the Florida Department of Education to increase reading proficiency by 2014.

Columbia: The United Way of Columbia County has been recognized for its community involvement and partnerships. They have received the Outstanding Community Organization Award and have been involved in various community initiatives, including the development of a comprehensive approach to community needs assessment and solutions implementation.

Cape Coral: The United Way of Cape Coral has a history of providing resources and support to the community. They have partnered with local organizations to provide resources to the community, including financial assistance, food, and clothing.

Citrus: The United Way of Citrus County has been recognized for its work in emergency preparedness and response. They have received the UWA Diversity Award and have been recognized by Tampa Bay Business Journal as a finalist for Non-Profit Organization of the Year. They have also partnered with local organizations to provide resources to the community, including financial assistance, food, and clothing.

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Indian River: The United Way of Indian River has a history of providing resources and support to the community. They have partnered with the Indian River County Health Board to create the Volunteer Reception Center at the community college gymnasium, and they have established United Way Centers for Excellence in some of the nation’s most economically challenged neighborhoods.

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United Ways are best known for their annual fund-raising campaigns, but they really do so much more to improve their communities. These pages reflect the many accomplishments of Florida United Ways. Reported here are events and achievements not noted in the pages titled “Florida’s United Ways – Their Beginnings and Today.”

BIG BEND
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BRADENTON
First 2-1-1 in Florida, 7th in nation (April 2004). A Healthy Families Program brought two counties in 1998 and brought in others in 2003. Established an Organization of the Year through FLORIDA TODAY, Reaching Out Awards. Donated $100,000 to UF, spent $10,000 to create community-based prevention. In 1999, first received $500,000 grant to implement program.

BROWARD
One of only two UWs in nation to operate a Community on Substance Abuse, founded in 1999 as an internal program to develop the Tranformational Independent Living (TIL) program to help foster youth become self-sufficient after they age out and the foster care system at age 18. Impacted by hurricanes in the past five years, losing power for a total of 18 days after Katrina and Wilma.

CHARLOTTE
In 2003 started Endowment Fund, now with assets of almost $6 million. Direct hit by Hurricane Charley in 2004; office and all records destroyed; operations continued through help of surrounding UWs and UWA.

CENTRAL FLORIDA
In 1998 merged with First UW and UW of Osceola County, and in 2006 raised $18,949,947 inside Polk. Once identified Success By 6 as a primary focus in 1995, provided direct service support to young children and their families. Benefited from $500,000 US Dept. of Labor grant to connect 20 faith-based and community-based groups to the local workforce and brought in-house in 2003. Established UW Education, an innovative teaching, learning, research, and training facility for early childhood development with more than 70 partners.

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MINNEAPOLIS
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MLK
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INDIAN RIVER
In 2004 UW 2-1-1 operated Storm Hotline, answering more than 70,000 calls during and immediately following Hurricane Charley. In 2005, First 2-1-1 UW to have an on-line Volunteer Center.

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**Palm Beach County**

**Achievements**

- Recent setting process for health and human services.
- Achievement in Planned giving (2002), Volunteer Center of the Year award for 2005 and 2006 from USA Today and Points of Light.
- Voluntary excellence in management in the non-profit sector.
- Class of our community should be invited to become a board member.
- For 11-1-06-07.
- Completed an “economic impact study” in 2004 and 2007.
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- At request of mayor, led a city-wide coordination, housing and relief effort to more than 2,700 Katrina evacuees.
- Sustained operations of First Call For Help throughout 3 hurricanes (Charley, Frances, and Jeanne) without power and operating telephones with portable generators.
- In 2007 received a grant to institute the Food Bank of South Florida to provide food to those in need.
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– Albert Schweitzer