



United Way of Eddy County

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United Way Announces 2020 Allocations

The United Way of Eddy County is investing almost \$510,000 in the local community in 2020 to provide support to numerous programs from their 2019 Fundraising Campaign, Executive Director Linda Dodd announced.

“It is because of the amazing support from businesses and individuals that we were able to exceed campaign goal this year; therefore, allowing us to continue to invest so heavily in the programs that are important to the success of our community,” Dodd said. “At this difficult time in our community, we continue to provide the necessary support for day to day programs while assisting with emerging needs,”

The allocations process began in January when all grant requests were due. The volunteer allocations committee met several times over several weeks to evaluate and determine recommendations. The board of directors reviewed the recommendations and ratified them at their March Board of Directors meeting.

The Prevention in Motion program facilitated by the Carlsbad Anti-Drug/Gang Coalition is a new program being supported by United Way of Eddy County.

United Way currently supports 23 programs within South Eddy County, including organizations focusing on basic need. They include Carlsbad Community of Hope, Carlsbad Battered Families Shelter, Carlsbad Lifehouse, Carlsbad Transitional Housing & Homeless Shelter, Calvary Assembly of God Food Distribution, Teen Court, and Southeast New Mexico Community Action – Senior Citizens Program.

The largest recipient of funding this year went to Boys & Girls Club of Carlsbad for their focus on assisting the children in our community through its afterschool program. A Community Impact grant and donor designations totaled \$82,199. For a complete list of agencies supported through this process, visit our website at: www.uweddyco.org/2020investments. Most programs that applied for funding received a 25% increase over the previous year.

In addition to this funding, United Way allotted \$16,000 to its education initiative, expanding its annual college scholarship program for nontraditional students. The program is multi-year and continues to focus on first generational scholars, students with a GPA of 2.0 and above, vocational and technical students, and continuing students acquiring an undergraduate degree.

For more information on the United Way of Eddy County, please visit www.uweddyco.org, or call Dodd at 887-3504.