

How Your Dollars Make a Difference

Meet Jamie.  Jamie is a child who wants to succeed. All he needs are opportunities.

Creating a community of possibilities, together. Last year, through generous gifts to United Way *Community Investment*...

To get Jamie started on his path to success, he is one of more than **2,500** children in quality, United Way-supported early childhood education programs who gained skills needed to succeed in kindergarten.



Jamie gets help from a volunteer United Way Reader once a week. He learns to read by the fourth grade, putting him on track to graduate high school on time, college and career ready.

More than **100** children were helped by United Way Readers and **97** percent improved their literacy skills.

Jamie's family is able to put food on the table and provide a warm place to sleep. Jamie can better focus on his schoolwork and stay healthier.

More than **23,500** people received basic food assistance and more than **3,000** people received emergency shelter. United Way 2-1-1 is one way people access immediate emergency assistance, such as food and shelter.

Jamie's family gets a tax refund with help from an IRS-certified volunteer and is connected to other financial resources, such as United Way Volunteer Budget Coaching.

Nearly **11,400** filers in central and northeastern Connecticut received tax preparation services at no cost to them. This resulted in **\$29.1 million** in federal refunds and credits, money coming back into our community.

Jamie's parents participate in a local program, providing them with job-training and career skills.

Nearly **600** people in United Way-supported job training programs secured employment.

United Way-supported programs and initiatives assist Jamie's family to become financially secure and help Jamie stay on track in school. Jamie is more likely to do well in college, and find a good-paying job to support his future and family.

Education, financial security and health, the building blocks needed for Jamie to succeed and our community to thrive.



Jamie attends the after-school program offered at his school while his parents are still at work.

3,300 youth in after-school programs improved their academic performance.

Early grade and middle school success lead to on-time high school graduation, which means a healthier, well-trained and more skilled workforce.

Jamie graduates high school on time with the skills needed to succeed in college and career.

4,800 youth improved skills, such as study skills, needed for success in school and life.

The next Jamie begins his journey...

Lifting up thousands of "Jamies."

Our vision is a community where opportunities are available for every child to succeed in school and for every family to achieve financial security.

To achieve this, we engage organizations and people to give, advocate and volunteer. We bring together people and resources committed to the well-being of children and families in central and northeastern Connecticut.



We All Win!

2016 UW Campaign

United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut focuses on helping children succeed and ensuring families become financially secure with access to basic needs, such as food and shelter.

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