

WINDHAM REGIONAL COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



360

students participated in school and/or community-based programs, improving their academic skills

8,200

individuals accessed emergency services such as rent or utility assistance, and transportation assistance

1,399

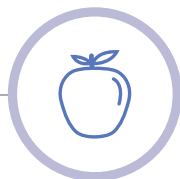
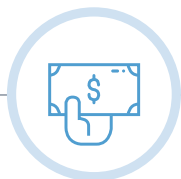
people filed their 2018 tax return at no-cost through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites in Windham and received more than **\$2 million** in earned tax credits and refunds

4,843

calls were made to United Way 2-1-1 seeking help for things like housing and utility assistance

2,240

hours of service committed by **327** volunteers



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Jeismarines Santiago Morales, Mother of Edialys Cordero Santiago, Participant of United Way-supported Windham Out of School Time

Education is the cornerstone of a successful life. At United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut, we're working to create a community where every child has the opportunity to succeed.

By increasing access to early childhood education and promoting early intervention, our United Way is helping children achieve important developmental and academic milestones.

Meet Edialys

Take Edialys, a first-grader at Windham Public Schools. When Edialys arrived in Windham from Puerto Rico, teachers noticed she was having difficulty with communication and comprehension in both Spanish and English. After talking with Edialys' family, school staff recommended after-school supports.

The United Way-supported after school program provided Edialys with the attention she needed

with homework and offered an opportunity for her to make new friends. As a result, Edialys overcame her academic and social obstacles. Today, she's able to read independently at grade level for more than 20 minutes in both Spanish and English and communicates with confidence in both languages.

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Our United Way invests millions of dollars annually to provide children with early childhood education, improve grade level reading skills and ensure middle grade students succeed academically, so together we can help youth graduate High School prepared for college or career.



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