

# ANNUAL REPORT 2021

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# INTRODUCTION

United Way of Tulare County fights for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in every Tulare County community.

We provide resources and funding to community benefit organizations whose strategies align with ours and who meet our Standards of Excellence.

Please take a moment to get a glimpse into what we have accomplished with your generous support. United Way will continue to fight for the health, education and financial stability of every person in every Tulare County community. We can't win the fight without you.

We thank you for LIVING UNITED!

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# 2021 AWARDEES



Spirit of Education
Tim Hire
TCOE Superintendent



Advocate of the Year

Tim Lutz

Tulare County HHSA



Community Spirit
Charlie Norman
Tulare County Fire Chief



Community Investment

Health Net

# **SPONSORS & SUPPORT**

Land O' Lakes

**UPS** 

**Target Corporation** 

Ruiz Foods

Wal Mart Distribution

Bluescope Buildings North America

Fed-Ex

AT&T

**Costco Corporation** 

**Comcast Corporation** 

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First 5 Tulare County

# **FUNDED AFFILIATES**

United Way of Tulare County (UWTC) established the COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund to help those affected by the impact of COVID-19 in Tulare County. Grants from this fund will address the immediate and longer-term needs of our region's most vulnerable residents. UWTC has awarded grants to the following nonprofit organizations whose operations, in support of vulnerable populations and those affected by the pandemic, have been stressed by the outbreak:

Add the 2021 list or logos here

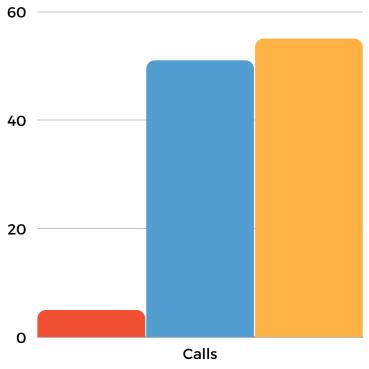


### 211

In 2020, 211 calls increased by 600%.

Our number of calls from March to December 2020 has totaled 3 normal years of calls. Additional funding opportunities are in the works with Tulare County HHSA for supportive services.

### 211 Calls 2019-2021



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2-1-1 Tulare County connects our communities with resources, services, and opportunities, through the non-emergency 2-1-1 phone number, a comprehensive website, and a mobile application.

\*DIAL 2-1-1 (or 1-800-283-9323 if phone has trouble connecting) to speak with a trained call specialist.

### **COLLEGE ACCESS INITIATIVE HIGHLIGHTS**



### **Text Messages sent during the 2020-2021 School Year**

We know education is important to determining future achievement. And, we believe everyone deserves the opportunity to have a quality education. So, our College Access Initiative (CAI) program, developed specialized text campaigns (both for middle and high schoolers) to provide urgent and ongoing information to students, school counselors, and parents via text. This innovative and easy-to-use system provides individualized updates based on the student's high school graduation year. Middle and High School students can find support with:

- Financial Aid
- Admissions Deadlines
- College Prep
- Post-Secondary Education Options
- Grants/Scholarships
- SAT/ACT Testing Guidance

- FAFSA Guidance
- Test Prep
- Academic Planning
- and more!







2,571

Tulare County Residents received Utility Assistance.



2,725

Tulare County households received Rent & Mortgage Assistance.



23,761

**COVID-19 Calls Received** 



7,029

**Vaccine Registrations** 



"Thank you United Way for your support in helping our family with 'rental assistance', And as well as for the WinCo gift cards. Our family is very appreciative."

- The Arenas Family



# \$1,064,500

was provided to United Way of Tulare County for COVID-19 Relief efforts from the following funders:

KTAA CARES Funding
Tulare County HHSA Healthy Harvest
Wells Fargo
Kern Community Foundation
Health Net
United Way World Wide
UWCA

**COVID Funding** 

\$2,974,248

**Agencies Funded** 

**50** 

\$1,575,703

Backpacks with School Supplies 3,400+

Brand New Books
Distributed
16,500

PPE Distribution 79,502

Summer Survival Kits 80

Winter Survival Kits
40

**Meal Distribution** 

Individuals 90,594

Families/Household 24,395

Pounds **78,140** 



# **SQF COMPLEX QUICK VIEW**

Housed **189** Individuals in hotels.

Provided **1,712** bed nights. **8,936** meals provided.

350 care kits provided with water, non-perishable food, hygiene kits delivered to hotels.
53 homes were provided with additional care kits during their stay including Walmart gift cards to families who needed to purchase items due to quick evacuation.

### **DONATIONS RECIVIED**

# We'd like to thank the following entities for their contributions:

Visalia Breakfast Rotary
AT&T Foundation
Central Valley Community Foundation
Grand Jury
Target
All who dropped off in-kind donations at the
Salvation Army & Parenting Network

# THANK YOU, HOTELS

We're thankful to the following hotels who provided us reduced rates, allowing us to provide housing for fire victims and their families:

Visalia Marriott
Visalia Wyndham
Fairfield Inn Visalia
Holiday Inn Express Visalia
Hampton Inn Tulare
La Quinta Visalia
Lazy J Motel
Lamp Liter Inn
Best Western Tulare
Best Western Porterville
Lemon Cove RV



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