Community Investment Teams Complete Funding Review for 2014/2015 United Way of Laramie County



United Way of Laramie County has announced they will invest \$760,000 in our community in 2014 and 2015. Included in the announcement is the list of Program Partners that will receive funding for the 2014/2015 two year funding cycle. An additional \$30,000 is set aside annually in the Community Impact Fund. This fund is used for emergencies and matching funds to assist agencies with training and board development projects.

Four programs were added to the funding cycle: Community Action of Laramie County (CALC) Kinship Support, Laramie County Community Partnership (LCCP) ASK Program, Prevent Child Abuse Wyoming and Wyoming Health Council Faith Community Nursing.

United Way uses volunteer Community Investment Teams to review applicants in the areas of program quality, governance, finance and administration. The three teams also make sure the programs meet goals in the areas of helping youth reach their full potential, strengthening families and helping neighbors in crisis, and improving community health.

Executive Director Connie Sloan-Cathcart stated, "United Way of Laramie County is very proud of the work our Community Investment Teams completed under the leadership of board member, Mike Dowling. The teams are made up of members of our community who believe that education, income stability and health are the building blocks to a quality life. They spend many hours evaluating proposals to ensure that the community's dollars are invested in quality programs."

In addition to making funding recommendations to the United Way board of directors, the teams also make recommendations to the City of Cheyenne and Laramie County for 5th penny funding. Both the County Commissioners and the City Council review and approve this portion of the funding allocations. That announcement will be made when the process is complete.

The full list of funded Program Partners is:

Helping Neighbors in Crisis and Strengthening Families: \$380,650

American Red Cross of Wyoming Bethel Outreach Ministries CASA of Laramie County Circles Wyoming

Climb Wyoming

COMEA House and Resource Center Emergency Shelter

COMEA House and Resource Center Transitional Living

Community Action Interfaith Family Support Services

Community Action of Laramie County Kinship Support

GreenPath

Meals on Wheels of Cheyenne, Inc.

Needs, Inc.

Safehouse Services, Inc.

Southeast Wyoming Foster Grandparent Program

Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc. Senior Companions

Wyoming Family Home Ownership Program

Helping Children & Youth Achieve Their Full Potential: \$145,440

Boys and Girls Club of Cheyenne

Boy Scouts of America, Longs Peak Council

Laramie County Community Partnership ASK Program

Prevent Child Abuse Wyoming

Safe Harbor, a Children's Justice Center

Special Friends of Chevenne, Inc.

Southeast Wyoming Foster Grandparent Program

Improving Community Health:

\$178,910

Centralized Pharmacy

Cheyenne Health and Wellness Access

Cheyenne Health and Wellness Dental

Peak Wellness Emergency Mental Health Service

Peak Wellness Laramie County Outreach

Wyoming Health Council Faith Community Nursing

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