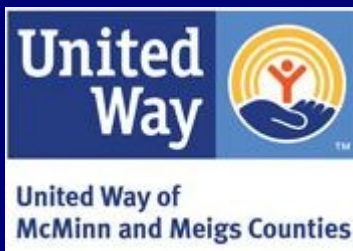


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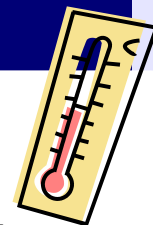
- Seniors citizens living in deplorable conditions can get the home repairs they need through Helping Hands Ministries.
- Children in our schools don't have to be hungry over the weekend because Nourish One Child provides backpacks with food for them to take home.
- The Etowah and McMinn Rescue Squads have the equipment and training they need to save lives.
- Girls and Boys can learn good values and leadership skills through Scouting regardless of their ability to pay.

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2015 Campaign Off to a Great Start!



The 2015 United Way Fundraising Campaign kicked off with almost half the goal already pledged thanks to Pacesetter Companies and the President's Council. This year's goal is \$660,000 and of that, \$322,195 has been donated or pledged so far.

Over 150 people helped Campaign Co-chairs Blake McCaslin and Norma Barham officially kick off the campaign at the annual luncheon at the McMinn Senior Center. Tennessee's First Lady Chrissy Haslam was the special guest speaker for the event.

Pacesetter companies set the tone for the campaign by having their employee campaigns prior to the kickoff. Many volunteers within these

companies are committed to making each year's campaign bigger and better than ever. Through their efforts, United Way is able to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in our community.

Campaign Co-chair Norma Barham stated, "We truly appreciate the leadership of our Pacesetters and President's Council members. It will still take the entire community's help to get us to our goal, but if each of us give just a little, we can all make a lot of difference."

There is still a long way to go to meet this year's goal! You can help by conducting a campaign in your business, having a special fundraising event or simply by making a donation.



L to R: Norma Barham and Blake McCaslin, 2015 Campaign Co-chairs; First Lady Chrissy Haslam

2015 Pacesetters

Athens City Schools
Athens Federal Community Bank
Athens Housing Authority
Athens-McMinn YMCA
Athens Utilities Board
Citizens National Bank
Coordinated Charities
The Daily Post-Athenian
DENSO
E & E Manufacturing
Edward Jones-Skylar Dean
FSGBank
Jackson & Runyan
Mayfield's
McMinn County Schools
McMinn County Senior Citizens
Regions Bank
Sharon Brown State Farm
Starr Regional Medical Center
Tri-County Center
United Parcel Service

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United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties

United Way of McMinn & Meigs Counties was founded in 1957. Our mission is to unite the community in an effort to ensure that everyone has the opportunity for a good quality of life through education, stability in the family and good health. We fund programs in the following agencies:

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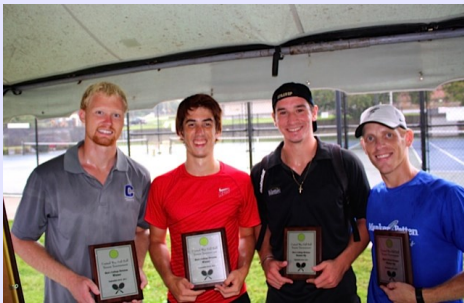
2014 Grant Recipients

- McMinn & Meigs Imagination Libraries
- Meigs Senior Center
- Full Circle-OnTrac program in schools
- YMCA Healthy Living Grant
- Nourish One Child
- Helping Hands Ministries
- Grace and Mercy Ministries
- McMinn Senior Citizens-Reassurance Call Program (Formerly CONTACT)

- The HOPE Center
- Tri-County Center
- McMinn Rescue Squad
- Boy Scouts
- Coordinated Charities
- Adult & Family Education
- Athens-McMinn YMCA (Youth Scholarships)
- Hiwassee Mental Health (Youth & Adults)
- McMinn Department of Juvenile Services
- Behavioral Research Institute
- Englewood Goodwill Workers
- McMinn Senior Citizens
- Good Faith Clinic
- Etowah Rescue Squad
- Girl Scouts

Annual Fall Ball Tennis Tournament To Benefit United Way

Over the last 10 years, the Fall Ball Tennis Tournament has raised close to \$50,000 for United Way. Thanks to tournament participants, sponsors, and especially tournament directors Ben Wilson and Ashley Cox for making this another successful event.



Why give to United Way?

1. It's Local! Money raised here, stays here.
2. One donation helps over 25 local agencies.
3. Our goal is to give everyone the opportunity for a good quality of life.
4. United Way volunteers make sure your donation is used properly.
5. It's easy to give! Just ask us how!

Volunteer Opportunities! Go to www.volunteermcminn-meigs.org to see how you can give your time to make a difference in our community. There's something to fit everyone's talents and ability.

The H.O.P.E. Center is having its annual Candlelight vigil for Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October) on Oct 21st at 6pm. Location is Knight Park across from Trinity. The public is welcome.