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United Way



SPECIAL EDITION

LMHA AND METRO UNITED WAY, TOGETHER WE HAVE THE POWER

A MESSAGE FROM TIM BARRY LMHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

When each of us contributes to Metro United Way, collectively, we have the power to make a major contribution and investment in our community. We all know people who maybe, for the first time in their lives, have need for some of the services and programs offered by United Way. As we begin our 2009 Annual Metro United Way Employee Campaign, now more than ever your generous contribution is needed to support a broad range of health and human services.

Your contribution touches the lives of two out of every three people in our community. Think about that! The money you give, regardless of the amount, helps so many people in so many ways. Let's work together to make sure United Way is here for all of us.

Every day, your United Way contribution is hard at work supporting over 150 health and human service programs at 90 partner agencies and about a dozen strategic initiatives and collaborations. Your investment can help children prepare for kindergarten and young people achieve academic success; lead families to the path of financial stability; and, provide a safety net of services supporting optimal health and independence.

During our employee campaign, we'll have some sweets and treats, and award several wonderful prizes and gift certificates based on your level of employee contribution to Metro United Way. Please don't forget to refer to your Metro United Way campaign materials for your pledge form and information regarding the "chance" award levels.

Please consider making a gift to the 2009 Metro United Way campaign. Last year we raised over \$12,000 to help Metro United Way fund agencies and organizations that provide assistance to our community.

Let's make this another great year for giving!

METRO UNITED WAY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is Metro United Way different from other non-profit organizations?

Yes. Metro United Way's vision is to make this the most vital, caring community in America. Community Solutions is Metro United Way's results-oriented investment system focused on helping kids succeed, building strong families, promoting health and independence and strengthening neighborhoods.

What does Metro United Way do besides raise and allocate funds?

Metro United Way works in partnership with government, schools, businesses and other non-profits to create community solutions. Your help supports First Call, a toll-free 24-hours-a-day information and referral line for people to find the help they need. We also connect thousands of volunteers with local non-profits through Metro United Way's Volunteer Connections.

How can I be sure my gift is being spent wisely?

Local volunteer experts study community needs, set goals, review budgets and monitor agencies to make sure that donated dollars are used wisely.

Metro United Way adheres strictly to stringent standards of accounting and financial reporting set for voluntary health and human service organizations.

Can I designate to an agency in the county where I live instead of where I work?

Yes, you may designate to a specific agency in the county where you live if you wish, if it is a Metro United Way participating agency. On the back of the pledge form, you'll find instructions on how to direct your gift to a specific Metro United Way agency.

What does the Metro United Way theme "LIVE UNITED" mean?

Living united means being a part of the change. It is a reminder that when we as individuals think outside ourselves, we have the power to create change. When we think of other people's lives as linked to our own, our compassion grows. When we reach out a hand, we can influence the condition of all. We build strength in our community, bolster health and change the lives of those who walk by us everyday. United we can change what we see in the world. It's about the power of unity.

2009 METRO UNITED WAY PRIZE DRAWING DETAILS!

Increase your gift to Metro United Way and increase your chances to win great prizes including **one day paid leave, electronic products and gift certificates**. The larger the gift, the greater number of chances you will have entered in the LMHA prize drawings.

One chance For one-time gift up to **\$25.00**

Two chances For minimum gift of **\$1.00 per pay period** (or one-time gift of at least \$26)

Three chances For minimum gift of **\$2.00 per pay period** (or one-time gift of at least \$52)

Four chances For choosing "Care Share" option (one hours pay per month)

Five chances For choosing "Super Care Share" option (two hours pay per month)

Six chances For choosing "Leader's Share" option (three hours pay per month)

*To qualify for the prize drawings and a 2009 Metro United Way/LMHA long sleeved t-shirt, your completed pledge card must be turned into Cathy Salvate in Finance by **Thursday, November 19, 2009**. You must donate \$30 or more to receive a t-shirt (be sure to circle your t-shirt size at the top of your pledge form).*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

September (belated)

Connie Bibb, Regional Maint.
 Macen Boggs, Beecher Terrace
 Cheryl Butler, Information Tech.
 Troy Clark, Lourdes Hall
 Pamela Dahlum, Vine Street
 James Donahue, IPL
 Diane Foster, Special Programs
 Lee Harper, Construction Admin.
 Rudy Heimann Sr., Vine Street
 Sherline Holt, Beecher Terrace
 Jimmie Leslie, Parkway Place
 Penda Lindsey, Parkway Place
 Rose McCarty, Vine Street
 Yolanda Mucker-Pugh, Beecher Terrace
 Anton Murrell, Auto/Grounds
 Carolyn Nichols, Parkway Place
 Sherita Parr, Construction Admin.
 Cynthia Penick, Occupancy
 Jill Schloemer, Construction Admin.
 Angela Sharp, Finance
 Antoinette Snoddy, Vine Street
 Torre Starnes, Parkway Place
 John Stroud, Iroquois Homes
 David Thompson, Avenue Plaza

October (belated)

Larry Anderson Sr., Bishop Lane Plaza
 Johanne Bradford, Iroquois Homes
 Rochelle Burton, Dosker Manor
 Bobby Campbell, HVAC
 Michael Ferriell, Vacancy Prep.
 Curtis Foley, Bishop Lane Plaza
 Lawrence Garnett, Parkway Place
 Amber Goddard, Special Programs
 Jonathan Guest, Extermination
 Anthony Harvell Jr., Auto/Grounds
 Dawn Haynes, Information Tech.
 Tracy Holmes-Bell, Vine Street
 Dale Hunter, Louisville Housing Srv.
 Juan Hunter, Operations
 Theiron Jackson, Lourdes Hall
 Marquis Johnson, Auto/Grounds
 Judith King, Iroquois Homes
 Delbert Lappin, Regional Maint.
 Robert Lee, Sheppard Square
 Nicole Lyons, Special Programs
 John McKissick, Parkway Place

Charles Mitchell, Parkway Place
 Chester Murphy, Iroquois Homes
 William Norris, Regional Maint.
 Nate Northington, Operations
 Ronald O'Bannon, Dosker Manor
 Sharon Perkins, Bishop Lane Plaza
 Jamesetta Phelps, Operations
 Dana Porter, Vine Street
 Marla Powell, Construction Admin.
 Everett Stephenson, Lourdes Hall
 Calvester Swain II, Construction Admin.
 William Topping, Avenue Plaza
 Denise Washington, Sheppard Square
 George Wetherby, Dosker Manor
 Charlene Williams, Dosker Manor
 Hollie Willingham, Special Programs
 Anna Zambrzycki, Construction Admin.

November

Teri Adkins, Vine Street
 Robert Barbour, Beecher Terrace
 Dennis Basham, Finance
 Rosemary Bissinger, Vine Street
 Stephen Bland, Parkway Place
 Chris Brown, Beecher Terrace
 Mark Calloway, Iroquois Homes
 Deborah Caston, Beecher Terrace
 David Clayton, Parkway Place
 Sharon Coleman, Sheppard Square
 Sue Ann Drane, Vine Street
 Vickie Fields, Operations
 Carla Hardaway, Vine Street
 JeRoy Hayden, Beecher Terrace
 Mary Hundley, Vine Street
 John Keen Jr., Parkway Place
 Wayne Leeseberg, Bishop Lane Plaza
 Diane Lindsey, Operations
 Bridget Long, IPL
 Carol Malone, Beecher Terrace
 Victor Malone, Sheppard Square
 Mika McClain, Parkway Place
 Gina McClasky, Iroquois Homes
 Juanita Mitchell, Avenue Plaza
 Shantel Ndiaye, Special Programs
 Linda Nuss, Finance
 Carl Paris, Beecher Terrace
 Aldean Pleasant, Vine Street
 Darlene Seabrooks, Parkway Place
 DeShawn Simpson, Special Programs
 Charles Smithson, Auto/Grounds
 Joseph Spencer, Auto/Grounds
 Harold Swoope, Vacancy Prep.
 Yasmin Thompson, Beecher Terrace

GET ACCESS TO HELP 24/7 WITH THE 2-1-1 HOTLINE

Every hour of every day, someone in our community needs essential services, from finding substance abuse treatment, to health care, to securing quality care for a child or aging parent. **2-1-1** is an easy-to-remember three-digit phone number that simplifies the process of connecting people to important services.

2-1-1 Get Connected. Get Answers.



EDUCATION, INCOME AND HEALTH: BUILDING BLOCKS FOR A GOOD LIFE

Metro United Way is working to advance the common good by focusing on building blocks for a good life - education, income and health. Metro United Way invites you to **LIVE UNITED** – be a part of the change! Together, united, we can inspire hope and create opportunities for a better tomorrow.

EDUCATION

All children are safe, healthy, nurtured and prepared to succeed in school and in life. We do this through:

Improving access to quality, affordable childcare and early learning opportunities.

Partnering with schools, families, community groups, service providers and neighborhoods to improve graduation rates.

Supporting after-school and mentoring programs for youth.

INCOME

Families are strong and self-sufficient. We help ensure this by:

Supporting programs that help families meet their basic needs for food, shelter and other necessities.

Improving access to quality financial information and services.

Helping families develop a financial path to a good life by maximizing income, increasing savings and developing assets.

HEALTH

Everyone enjoys lifelong health and independence. We can achieve this by:

Increasing the availability of quality health care information.

Providing health support services through agency programs.

Helping seniors and people with disabilities envision and achieve maximum independence and a high quality of life.



SALUTE TO SERVICE (SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER)

25 Years

(10/2009) Vickie Fields, Operations

20 Years

(10/2009) Sharon Perkins, Bishop Lane Plaza
 (11/2009) Isaiah Evans, Sheppard Square

15 Years

(9/2009) Carlos Whitehorse, HVAC
 (9/2009) Yvonne Feger, Finance
 (9/2009) Reginald Spinks, Avenue Plaza
 (10/2009) Dan Farrell, Special Programs
 (11/2009) William Keltee, Sheppard Square

10 Years

(10/2009) Chiffon Taylor, Iroquois Homes

5 Years

(9/2009) Penda Lindsey, Parkway Place
 (9/2009) Marie Tull, Personnel

STAFF UPDATE

New Hires

Full-Time

Steven Freeh
Project Specialist - Construction Admin.
 Cietay Mayfield
Maint. Worker II - Sheppard Square

Promotions

Gary Bradley
Asst. Regional Coordinator - PG&E
 Alyss Simpson
Data Entry Operator - Vine Street

Have Questions About The Metro United Way Employee Campaign?

Please contact any of the following 2009 LMHA/Metro United Way Campaign Committee Members:

Joyce Babb (Personnel)
Vickie Fields (Operations)
Vickie Greathouse (Personnel)
Pat Packer (Personnel)
Cathy Salvate (Finance)
Vikki Stone (Executive)
Marie Tull (Personnel)