



# THRIVING COMMUNITIES BEGIN WITH THRIVING FAMILIES

LAKE AREA UNITED WAY ESTABLISHED THE UNITED FOR FAMILIES NETWORK TO BEGIN LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR SUCCESSFUL CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATIONS AND COORDINATED ACTION.

The United for Families Network is a coalition of social service agencies, government entities, and faith-based organizations that deliver services to and/or impact ALICE households.

UFFN provides a structured environment for providers and organizations to come together and engage in meaningful and productive dialogue. UFFN fosters new collaborations that result in a stronger system of care for ALICE households, facilitates changes to service delivery systems, reduces duplication of services, and creates ongoing,

consistent communication among providers.

UFFN members receive free access to Charity Tracker, a web application for shared case management, used to track assistance and make electronic referrals, goal-set and measure outcomes and coordinate disaster-relief response. The reporting capabilities of the system make gathering and reporting statistical data for resource development and strategic planning simpler and easier. Charity Tracker enables multiple service providers to share a common, web-based database that tracks and records how families are receiving

charitable assistance in real-time, which can help reduce duplication of service while increasing efficiency.

Lake Area United Way offers the Charity Tracker system at no cost to UFFN Partners and in some cases can provide hardware to participating organizations demonstrating need. Additionally, technical support and ongoing training are also provided at no cost.

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