



# COMMUNITY IMPACT & INNOVATION FUND

**The Community Impact & Innovation Fund is the strongest investment to fight for the health, education and financial stability for every person in Chester County.**

**We win by living united.** We focus on more than just a single issue or community. Because problems can rarely be solved by one program or strategy alone, your contribution to the Community Impact & Innovation Fund has greater power. By forging unlikely partnerships, finding new solutions to old problems, and mobilizing the most impactful resources, we create the foundation for a world full of opportunity.

**For everyone.**

Together, we take a hard, long look at the problems facing our community. We collaborate with experts and leaders, practitioners and people in the neighborhoods. We work across partisan and income divides, inviting everyone to do their part to improve lives and community conditions. Whether we're driving agencies to common outcomes, leading an initiative, or creating collective impact, we're the get-it-done-on-the-ground people.

**We do the due diligence for you.** We offer donors the opportunity to maximize their gifts and support to the most pressing needs in the community. United Way invests Impact dollars through a competitive selection process guided by a team of community leaders and members, funders and agency leaders, creating the Community Impact Council. These volunteers work with United Way of Chester County staff to assess the health and human service strategies that will have the greatest impact on our community, focusing on ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) as our target population. These are working families and individuals with income above the Federal Poverty Level, but not high enough to afford basic household necessities.

This rigorous process ensures that your dollars make a real difference in the lives of our neighbors whose needs would not be met without your help.

## 2023 COMMUNITY IMPACT & INNOVATION FUND

MENTAL/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

EDUCATION/YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

FINANCIAL STABILITY

HEALTHCARE

HOUSING/HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION

BASIC NEEDS

PRE-K/DAYCARE/SENIORS

SPECIAL POPULATIONS

FOOD INSECURITY

SPECIAL PROJECTS

*Daniel began mental health treatments when he was three years old, due to behavioral challenges at preschool. He was diagnosed with an adjustment disorder and needed a school that offered services to address his needs for behavior modification treatment. A United Way funded program was able to provide Daniel's parents a case manager to help identify a school placement for him and explain their rights as part of the Individualized Education Plan Process. They expressed feelings of empowerment because of the support they received from their case manager. Thanks to the treatment plan, Daniel was prepared and ready for kindergarten.*

**GRANT RECIPIENT HIGHLIGHT:  
CHILD GUIDANCE RESOURCE CENTER**