



WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

LIVING UNITED

PROVIDES

Volunteer Engagement

OPPORTUNITIES

Tony wanted to find a volunteer project to do with his kids while they were on summer break, but he was unsure of where to start looking. Tony contacted United Way of Weld County’s Volunteer Engagement coordinator, and was given a website for volunteer opportunities throughout Weld County as well as guidance about how and when to sign up. His children were able to look at the Weld County Volunteer Connection website; together they came to an agreement about where to volunteer.

ABOUT UNITED WAY OF WELD COUNTY

United Way has the vision, experience, relationships, and ability to take on and solve some of Weld County’s biggest challenges. Through United Way, together we are building a better Weld County, one where children are reading to learn by the start of fourth grade, youth are working at good jobs by age 25, families have stable housing, older adults are aging well, and people are connecting to the help they need. **Will you join us?**

Connecting Weld programs help human services increase in visibility, accessibility, and capacity.



**“We make a living
by what we get, but
we make a life by
what we
give.”**

- Winston Churchill

CHALLENGES

Many nonprofits in Weld County operate with minimal budgets. Sometimes the expertise and commitment of volunteers is the only way these organizations can achieve their mission. On average, about 26% of Americans volunteer. Colorado consistently surpasses the national average – nearly one third of Coloradoan’s volunteer each year – that’s 1.32 million people! Coloradoans volunteer, on average, 160 million hours of service a year, averaging 40 hours per resident each year.

Volunteer Engagement at United Way of Weld County helps make these community connections for volunteerism. Five reasons to volunteer your time...

- make memories with your family and friends
- improve your health (studies show that people who volunteer have a lower rate of mortality)
- meet new people in our community
- learn new skills (that might even prepare you for a new or different job)
- be happier (research finds that the more people volunteer, the happier they are)





“We receive volunteers, and are especially grateful to United Way of Weld County Volunteer Engagement for the volunteers who helped with our Day of Action projects, and other groups who have been here because of United Way. The volunteer website of places where people can volunteer is long overdue.”

**– Verna, Volunteer Coordinator,
Catholic Charities Guadalupe Community Center**

INVESTMENTS

Volunteer Engagement at United Way of Weld County provides direct service to the Weld County community and creates a more connected, cohesive and supportive environment for all its citizens. Volunteer Engagement acts as a hub for connecting interested volunteers and companies by promoting meaningful opportunities via a registration and referral website (www.UnitedWay-Weld.org/volunteer). Volunteer Engagement also convenes conversations and holds trainings on nonprofit volunteer management capacity building.

Additionally, Volunteer Engagement oversees the United Way volunteer management system and recruits volunteers for a number of United Way programs, projects and events.

Volunteer Engagement also coordinates Day of Caring, an annual one-day event for community members, businesses and families to volunteer and complete projects at local nonprofit organizations. Annually over 200 people participate with Day of Caring.

In 2020-2021, 361 volunteers donated 3,681 hours of their time to United Way volunteer activities. This was valued at \$29.50 per hour for a total in-kind donation of \$108,590.

22 volunteers served as Resource Navigators for a hybrid version of Weld Project Connect.

GIVE

Make a donation to United Way of Weld County and help support the work of Volunteer Engagement!

ADVOCATE

Tell your friends and family about how they can find meaningful volunteer opportunities through Volunteer Engagement.

VOLUNTEER

Discover a volunteer opportunity – online at www.UnitedWay-Weld.org/volunteer.

Please contact the UWWC Community Impact team at Impact@UnitedWay-Weld.org or 970-353-4300 for more information or to get involved.