

Normally at this time, we ask for an end of year gift to help us meet our goals, not just financially, but for a healthier, more vibrant, safer community where all of us can thrive.

As with many, if not all of you, I've been struggling this year with how to do my job of fundraising. How do I ask others for money, when so many are struggling financially?

Thanks to a recent conversation, I was able to take a step back to reflect on the years when, as a single-parent, and living through two layoffs, what message would help me? How could I still help others, when my resources were stretched and/or very slim?

*I think the message is for those of us who are able to continue giving at the same level or step up a small amount. To those who have, thank you.
To those who haven't, I hope you will.*

For those who have had hours cut, but are still employed, I want you to know that a consistent, smaller amount is just as important.

One of the inspiring moments I've experienced over the years when I had the opportunity to do presentations at retail stores, is that the percent of participation among those who earned less was always greater than those who earned more.

*Every dollar makes a difference; different dollar amounts enable different levels of service. **The magic comes from the strength of our united investments.***

*Thank you for doing what you can, when you can, and being part of the magic –
you matter!
Tam*



TOGETHER WE CAN CREATE CHANGE

HELLO my name is

ALICE

I am a hard worker. I live paycheck to paycheck. I struggle to make ends meet. I make tough choices daily. I am ALICE.

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GIVE TODAY

UNITED WE'RE STRONG

LIVE UNITED KITSAP

Real change – change that matters – rarely comes from business as usual.

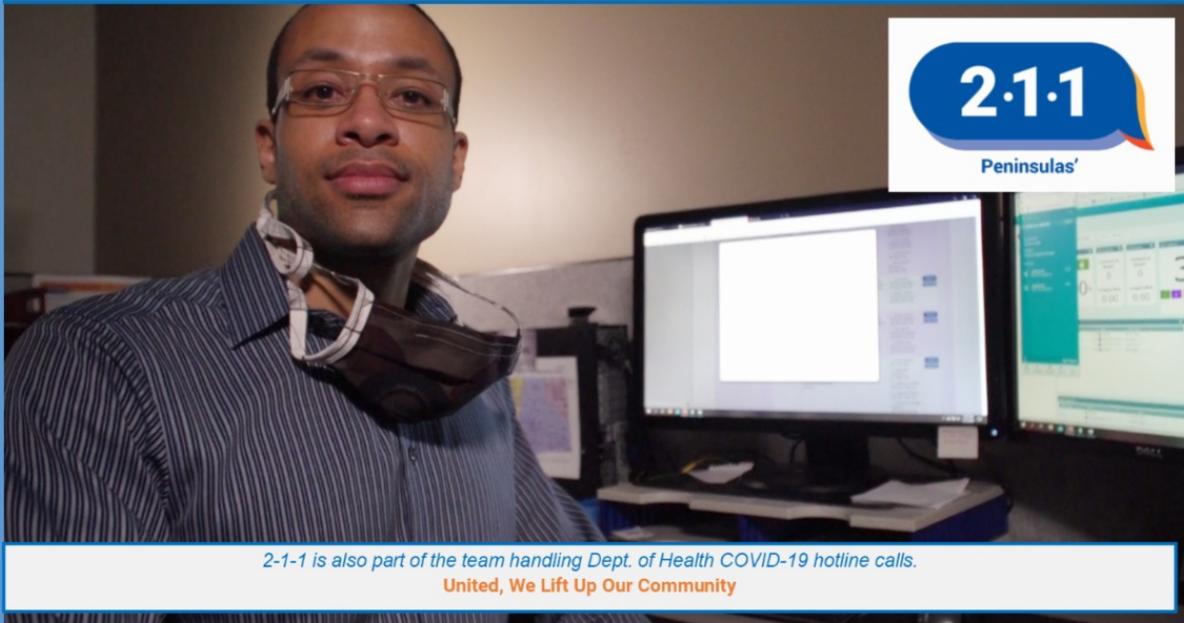
As your local United Way, we have a unique and vital role in the communities we serve. We are not about one cause or issue. We understand the importance of being able to shift priorities and adapt, as our community needs change. We understand the gravity and interconnectedness of the social challenges we face as a community. We understand our role in working with partners during a disaster or a pandemic to help our community recover, rebuild, and thrive.

Help us build a better tomorrow, start today.
Thank You!

Thank you to our 2020 Platinum Sponsor



Call 2-1-1 if you need help finding resources or applying for Basic food (Food Stamps) in Washington State.



2-1-1 is also part of the team handling Dept. of Health COVID-19 hotline calls.
United, We Lift Up Our Community

Here's how you can [help support](#) this critical regional resource.

[WA211 Fall Update](#)



We are grateful for the amazing impact your gifts and trust are helping us facilitate. See how the strength of our shared work and investments in [Kitsap Strong](#), a community/collective impact collaborative are starting to bear fruit.



Leave 10 Kitsap is a collaboration of 13 of the leading nonprofit organizations in the Kitsap Area. [Join us](#) in making Leave 10 Kitsap an essential component of taking care of our children, grandchildren and future generations.



Save the Dates:

[Leverage Your Marketing Budget - Sponsorship Packages Available](#)

- 5th Annual Lifting Spirits part Deux- Friday, April 16, 2021. Email [Tamra](#) for sponsorship

opportunities.

- **Letter Carriers' Food Drive** - traditionally the 2nd Saturday in May - watch our [Facebook page](#) for updates.
- **Golf Classic** - Friday, July 16, 2021. This is our annual fundraiser to support our work with Kitsap Strong. Interested in being a sponsor or golfing? Email event Chair [David Foote](#).
- **27th Annual Day of Caring - part Deux** - June 25 2021 - watch for other volunteer opportunities at www.VolunteerKitsap.org - Interested in being a sponsor? Email [Tamra](#).



We believe to succeed as a community, we must tackle the challenges of inter-generational poverty together. Your support is leveraged to do what matters; win the fight for the education, health and financial stability for all in Kitsap County. #LiveUnitedKitsap



Coffee Chat with Carl, our Executive Director

We love making connections! If you'd like to meet for coffee to chat about how you can be a hand-raiser & game-changer, just send us an [email](#). In the meantime, we invite you to visit us at www.unitedwaykitsap.org.



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