

# UNITED WE FIGHT. UNITED WE WIN.

United Way of Staunton, Augusta County & Waynesboro fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in the SAW community. But we are more than fundraisers. We are hand raisers. We raise our hands not only to lead the fight, but to reach out to people who need help. And hope. We win when we LIVE UNITED. By forging unlikely partnerships. By finding new solutions to old problems. By mobilizing the best resources. And by inspiring individuals to join the fight against their community's most daunting social crises.



## Community Volunteer Programs

Stuff the Bus

Week of Caring

Valley VITA

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## United Way SAW Programs

### Valley VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance)

Free Income Tax assistance and filing for household with an income of \$57,000 or less.

### Dolly Parton Imagination Library

A free book gifting program that mails age appropriate, high-quality books to children ages 0-5 years old living in the SAW area.

### Smart Beginnings SAW

Program committed to Early Childhood System Building through increasing access, engaging families, building relationships and strengthening quality.

## 2021 Funded Partner Agencies

- Blue Ridge CASA
- Blue Ridge Legal Services
- Fairfield Center
- Community Child Care
- LEARN
- Girl Scouts of VA Skyline
- Project GROWS
- Valley Hope Counseling
- Goodwill Re-Entry Program
- Renewing Homes of Greater Augusta
- Valley Supportive Housing
- Valley Program for Aging Services—Meals on Wheels
- Valley Children's Advocacy Center

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## 2020-2021 Community Impact Report



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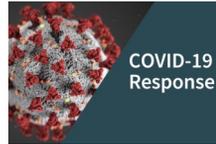
ALICE is a new way of defining and understanding the struggles of households that earn above the Federal Poverty Level, but not enough to afford a bare-bones household budget.

For far too many families, the cost of living outpaces what they earn. These households struggle to manage even their most basic needs - housing, food, transportation, child care, health care, and necessary technology.

ALICE is your child care worker, the cashier at your supermarket, the gas attendant, the salesperson at your big box store, your waitress, a home health aide, an office clerk. ALICE cannot always pay the bills, has little or nothing in savings, and is forced to make tough choices such as deciding between quality child care or paying the rent. One unexpected car repair or medical bill can push these financially strapped families over the edge.

The future success of our communities is directly tied to the financial stability of these fragile ALICE households.

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\$84,000 worth of food, gas, prescriptions, diapers & hygiene products distributed to SAW residents including:

- 5,000 Hygiene Kits
- 1,000 Diaper Kits
- 200 Small Business & Non-profit PPE kits
- \$5,000 worth of food distributed through local food pantries
- \$16,000 worth of gift cards distributed for food, gas and prescriptions

Partnered with YMCAs to provide subsidized childcare "Student Support Centers" for virtual learning



\$73,000 worth of school supplies donated to SAW public schools

1,248 households received FREE income tax preparation



9,060 personalized books were delivered to SAW children's homes at no cost

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273 children benefitted from sliding-scale child care tuition

628 individuals improved their quality of life through counseling, literacy, and support groups



48,246 meals were delivered to homebound seniors. 510 pounds of fresh produce used in education programs

294 children received advocacy services in cases of trauma



724 individuals had legal issues resolved or reached an agreement through mediation

144 individuals and households remained housed or improved their living conditions

