## UNITED WE FIGHT. UNITED WE WIN.

#### **Our Vision**

A connected community with equitable opportunities for all to thrive.

## **Our Mission**

We unite organizations, people, ideas, and resources to make a sustainable impact in our community.

#### **Our Values**

We work towards our mission by valuing integrity, inclusivity, stewardship, and relationships.



## **UWSAW Community Volunteer Programs**

Stuff the Bus

Days of Caring

Valley VITA

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. New partnership with Augusta Health, ensuring every baby born in our community will be offered free registration!

#### **Ready Regions (Birth-5 School Readiness)**

Program committed to Early Childhood System Building through increasing access, engaging

#### 2023 Funded Community Partners:

- \* ARROW Project
- \* Blue Ridge CASA
- \* Blue Ridge Legal Services
- Brain Injury Connections of the Shenandoah Valley
- \* Community Child Care
- \* Boys & Girls Club (SAW)
- \* Mental Health America
- \* New Directions Center

- \* LIFEworks Project
- \* On the Road Collaborative
- \* Renewing Homes of Greater Augusta
- Staunton/Augusta YMCA
- Valley Children's Advocacy Center
- \* Valley Hope
- Valley Program for Aging Services

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# 2023 Community Impact Report













United Way of Staunton, Augusta County & Waynesboro advocates for the health, education and financial stability of every person in the SAW community.

www.unitedwaysaw.org



Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed

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.

To learn more visit: www.unitedforalice.org/virginia



1,020 preschool applications (ages 0-4) processed through coordinated enrollment program





### **Community Partners**

Staunton City Schools
Augusta County Public Schools
Waynesboro Public Schools
Shenandoah Valley Head Start & Early Head Start

**3,111** volunteer hours given back to the SAW community





**\$78,000** worth of school supplies donated to SAW public schools

**1,256** households received FREE income tax preparation





18,969 personalized books were delivered to SAW children's homes at no cost (over 2,000 children)





**330** children benefitted from sliding-scale child care tuition and/or after school programs

1,587 individuals improved their quality of life through counseling, literacy, and support groups





**52,451** meals were delivered to **408** homebound seniors. programs

**495** children received advocacy services in cases of trauma



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**378** individuals had legal issues resolved or reached an agreement through mediation



