

# **YOUR GIFTS IN ACTION**

### **COUNTY SOUTH I CAYUGA COUNTY**



Cayuga Lake National Bank District Volunteers at Healing H'Arts Equestrian Center, Inc. in Union Springs for United Way of Cayuga County's 5th Annual Day of Caring (8/7/2025)

## FAST FACTS: COUNTY SOUTH

- Your United Way of Cayuga County has been countywide since August 2, 1948
- 32 of the 36 United Way funded programs have the capacity to be countywide based on who is accessing the service
- \* Towns that make up County South: Genoa, Ledyard, Locke, Moravia, Niles, Scipio, Sempronius, Springport, Summerhill, & Venice
- Of those turning to a United Way funded program, more than 15% are County South residents

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT: SALVATION ARM

Gifts to the United Way of Cayuga County support community resilience, youth opportunity, healthy communities, and financial security programs. Healthy Communities = nourished communities. With food insecurity on the rise, the need for feeding programs is growing. Once the Salvation Army finishes their monthly Fresh Food Giveaway in Auburn, volunteers pack remaining items into coolers to distribute food items to County South neighbors from a Moravia area church.

#### PROGRAMS WITH THE CAPACITY TO BE COUNTYWIDE

American Red Cross - Disaster Services & Services to Armed Forces \*

ARISE - Ramp Program \*

Auburn Music Boosters - Youth Music Lessons \*

Auburn Public Theater - Youth Performing Arts Education \*

Auburn YMCA - Camp Y Owasco \*

Auburn YMCA - Preschool \*

Auburn YMCA - School Age Childcare \*

Auburn YMCA - Y-Pals \*

Aurora of CNY - Social Work for Sensory Loss \*

Camp Gregory - Summer Camp \*

Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes - Emergency Assistance \*

Cayuga Community Health Network - Street Outreach \*

Cayuga Counseling Services - Outpatient Clinic \*

Cayuga Counseling Services - SAVAR \*

Cayuga Counseling Services - Strengthening Families

Child Care Solutions - Child Care Quality Improvement

Confidential Help for Drugs & Alcohol - Outpatient Clinic

Confidential Help for Drugs & Alcohol - Prevention / Intervention \*

E. John Gavras Center - Essential Childcare \*

E. John Gavras Center - Early Intervention

Girl Scouts of NYPENN Pathways - Leadership Experience \*

Harriet Tubman Liberation Foundation - Safe & Warm

Hospice of CNY & Finger Lakes - Hospice Care

Literacy Volunteers of Cayuga County - English as a 2nd Language \*

Literacy Volunteers of Cayuga County - Adult Basic Literacy

Matthew House - Comfort Care

Perform 4 Purpose - P4P The Next Steps Music Program \*

Scouting America: Longhouse Council - Scouting \*

SS Peter & John Episcopal Soup Kitchen - Soup Kitchen

The REV Theatre Company - Sequential Dramatics

The Salvation Army - Emergency Feeding \*

Transportation Project of Cayuga County - SCAT Van \*

\* Member Agency reported support for County South residents between July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025







#### Dear Neighbor:

As a Military Veteran and a member of the Cayuga County 911 dispatch team, supporting my neighbors and ensuring they are safe with access to essential resources is important to me. I am proud to be a part of the United Way because the gifts you and I make go toward programs like the American Red Cross' Services to the **Armed Forces** to support military families during and post service. This program connects military families to counseling services, loans via the military, program referrals, support to access benefits, and much more.

During the last funding cycle, more than 60% of Cayuga County residents turned to a United Way funded program—a number that continues to grow. This year, your United Way is supporting 28 nonprofits through 36 distinct programs addressing Community Resilience, Youth Opportunity, Healthy Communities, and Financial Security.

#### Will you make your United Way of Cayuga County gift today?

As a proud aunt, friend, and first responder, I know that the need for reliable and safe childcare is a critical need throughout all regions of Cayuga County. In our rural communities, your gifts support a variety of traditional programs such as the Auburn YMCA's Childcare Center and School Age Child Care in Moravia, Weedsport, Cato, and Port Byron schools; as well as the E. John Gavras Center's Essential Child Care. Summer camps provide alternative care solutions and nearly 270 youth from rural communities in Cayuga County who attended Camp Gregory or Camp Y-Owasco last year.



Understanding the need to support our early childcare and learning centers, Child Care Solutions is piloting their Quality Improvement program here in Cayuga County. This program has been successful in Onondaga County providing small grants and educational opportunities to childcare centers. Learn more about how your gifts impact childcare by scanning the QR code.

Childcare is just one area where your United Way gifts provide support. Cayuga Community Health Network's Street Outreach & Advocacy program provides case management

services to individuals who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Did you know that ARISE's Countywide Ramp Program assembled teams of volunteers to build accessibility ramps for homes in Genoa, Locke, and Moravia? Founded by a Millard Fillmore Elementary School teacher, Perform 4 Purpose hosts several concerts, workshops, and camps across all regions of Cayuga County. Of all our neighbors turning to a United Way of Cayuga County funded program or service, 15% are from County South.

#### Will you join us and make your pledge or gift to support the United Way of Cayuga County's 2025-26 Campaign?

At the United Way gifts are combined to make the biggest, positive impact possible in Cayuga County. Gifts of all sizes, even just \$10, support more than half of our neighbors.

Our goal is to collect 1,700 gifts-help us reach our goal and support your neighbors with a check made payable to United Way of Cayuga County mailed to 2 State Street, Suite 2, Auburn, NY 13021 or online at unitedwayofcayugacounty.org

Together, we can create positive change throughout ALL of Cayuga County!

Warmly, Your 2025-26 Campaign Co-Chairs:

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