UNITED WAY
Southern Nevada

COMMUNITY IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS



OUR IMPACT

Together, we are inspiring hope and empowering our neighbors who need it the most. **Over the past 12 months, your investment has helped provide:**

67,000+
Educational resources and school supply kits distributed, empowering youth with the tools they need to succeed

900+
Financial security resources, professional clothing items, and essential kits distributed, connecting individuals to stability and opportunity

23,900+
Health and wellness resources and kits distributed, supporting families in building healthier lives

11,000+
Crisis support, essential food, and emergency preparedness kits distributed, strengthening families through difficult times

HELPING STUDENTS START THE SCHOOL YEAR READY

2026 Operation Back to School Drive
Our 2026 Operation Back to School Drive brought together volunteers to sort **49,243 school supplies** for local students. These essential items were distributed through community partners and school networks to help children across Southern Nevada start the school year ready to learn and succeed. By ensuring students have access to basic classroom supplies, the program helps reduce barriers to learning and supports academic success from day one. Learn more about our Youth Opportunity initiatives at uwsn.org.



PROJECT REACH SENIOR EXPO

POWERED BY NVEnergy

The Project REACH Senior Expos, powered by NV Energy, provided assistance and resources to approximately **1,700 seniors**, helping older adults remain safe and stable in their homes. Participants received support with energy, gas, water, sewer, trash, and propane bills while also accessing essential community resources and services. The expos were made possible by more than **690 volunteers** who contributed over **4,600 volunteer hours**, reflecting our community's commitment to helping seniors thrive. One participant, 73-year-old Yvette, arrived with just $26 in her bank account and fears of losing stable housing. After receiving assistance, she shared, **"Today made a big change in my life. I feel that today, I can get better."** Through partnerships, volunteers, and donor support, the program helps seniors navigate financial challenges while maintaining independence, dignity, and hope.

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2026 DAY OF CARING | 11 YEARS OF IMPACT

PRESENTED BY PNC BANK



OUR LARGEST DAY OF CARING YET!

Our 11th Annual Day of Caring, presented by PNC Bank, was the largest in the event's history. More than **1,500 volunteers** contributed nearly **5,000 hours of service** across **54 projects** with **45 nonprofit and community partners** throughout Southern Nevada. From cleaning school gardens and sorting books to building dental kits, volunteers came together to address critical community needs and demonstrate the power of collective action.

To explore local volunteer opportunities year-round, visit uwsn.org/volunteer.



FUNDING THE FUTURE: AN EARLY EDUCATION & LITERACY SUMMIT

United Way of Southern Nevada brought together philanthropists, government leaders, business partners, and education advocates to explore solutions for expanding access to quality early learning and strengthening literacy. Participants discussed topics including public-private partnerships, brain development, preschool outcomes, and strategies to help more children enter kindergarten ready to learn. The summit highlighted the long-term impact of investing in early childhood education and opportunities to improve outcomes for children, families, and our community.

UNITED WE PREPARE

With support from Verizon and United Way Worldwide, United We Prepare is helping Southern Nevadans get ready for whatever comes, from natural disasters to human-made emergencies. Our preparedness workshops, hosted in partnership with Southern Nevada CERT and the American Red Cross, are continuing this year, with topics ranging from Preparedness 101 to Safety Skills for Kids. New this year, you can also learn on your own time with the Build Your Go Bag Quiz and the HOPE Be Ready Assistant, an AI guide that answers your questions anytime, with preparedness videos coming soon. Beyond education, we're strengthening local resiliency hubs and supporting residents in need through senior utility assistance, home repairs, and weatherization. So far, we've put **750 disaster preparedness kits** into the hands of local families, and we're just getting started. Explore it all at uwsn.org/beready.

