

UNITED WAY OF Greater McHenry County

## **Financial Security**

The United Way of Greater McHenry County mobilizes the caring power of the community so that everyone in McHenry County has the opportunity to thrive. By supporting our mission, you help create a pathway to a stronger financial future for every generation.

## **COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS 2024**

Thanks to your generous support, most of the funds we raise go directly to grants that empower programs at our 30 local partner agencies. \$173,000 of \$1,091,525 in grants were awarded during the 2024-2025 fiscal year to strengthen initiatives in this impact area! Grants awarded this year are dedicated to enhancing the lives of our community members of all ages by providing them with greater financial stability and economic security. The programs provide:

- Adult education, job training, and career pathways
- Financial education and coaching
- Homelessness prevention
- Access to public benefits
- Bilingual support
- Day programming
- Housing
- Employment training
- Legal Assistance
- Budget and finance coaching
- Emergency Shelter

## FINANCIAL SECURITY PARTNER AGENCIES





With rising rents and mounting debts, many families find themselves struggling to keep up, as was the case for Maria, a single mother juggling multiple financial burdens. Through United Way's funding of the financial management and budget counseling program, Maria and 177 other clients participated in budget and credit counseling sessions, gaining crucial skills to navigate their challenging situations. While 25% cited housing issues as a primary concern, many also faced difficulties with money management, student loan debt, and reduced incomes. The increase in debt management appointments reflects a growing need for assistance in managing credit to cover essential expenses. Thanks to your support, these clients are not only receiving guidance but also finding hope and stability in their financial futures.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

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