

Health



United Way
of Wyoming Valley

Did You Know?

The United Way of Wyoming Valley funds 17 programs at 14 agencies that improve people's health.

These programs are split amongst two separate impact areas: Independence for Vulnerable Populations and Wellness & Addiction.



Of the 62,025 residents under the age of 18 in Luzerne County, 3,468 have a disability. (American Community Survey, 2008)

There was a 31% increase over a span of 6 years in the number of individuals seeking treatment at the community Mental Health centers in Luzerne & Wyoming Counties. (Luzerne/Wyoming County MH/MR)

Retail prescription prices have increase on average 3.6% annually between 2000 and 2009, much faster than the average inflation rate of 2.5%. (KaiserEdu.org)

Approximately 32,000 pints of blood are used each day in the United States. (Brookhaen National Laboratory)

Independence for Vulnerable Populations

Priority areas include:

- Cognitive & Developmental Disabilities
- Physical Disabilities
- Chronic Health Conditions

Funded Programs:

Advocacy for People with IDD - Arc of Luzerne County
Day Camp for Children with Special Needs - Jewish Community Center
Early Head Start - Luzerne County Head Start
Early Intervention - Wyoming Valley Children's Association
Blood Services - American Red Cross
Prescription Assistance - Commission on Economic Opportunity
Guardianship - Family Service Association
Transportation Reimbursement - Hemodialysis Patients' Association
Life Skills - Creating Unlimited Possibilities
Dial-a-Driver - Volunteers of America

Wellness & Addiction

Priority areas include:

- Mental Health Needs
- Addiction
- Physical Health Needs

Funded Programs:

Adult & Family Services - Catholic Social Services
Family & Adolescent Services Team (FAST) - Catholic Social Services
Outpatient Services - Children's Service Center
Professional Counseling - Family Service Association
Counseling - Jewish Family Service
Outpatient Service - Wyoming Valley Alcohol and Drug
Prevention Program - Wyoming Valley Alcohol and Drug