

UNITED WAY OF MILFORD

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Our Mission
is to
Strengthen
and Enhance
Community
and Family
Life.

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United Way Changing of "The Guard"

On January 25 Chairman Rick George was honored for his service as the Chairman of United Way for the past two years. Rick thanked the board and reminded them that our community relies on the work of United Way to continue to make life better for those who live and work here, and it has been his honor to help foster a better life for all. Rick will remain on the board. He turned the gavel over to the new Chairman, Jon Berchem. Jon thanked Rick and remarked that he will continue to build upon the foundation that helps United Way serve the needs of Milford. Jon is an attorney with the law firm Berchem, Moses, and Devlin and has been a United Way board member for eight years. He has served on various committees and has been the Vice-Chair for the past two years. United Way of Milford welcomes Chairman Berchem.



WEBSTER BANK EMPLOYEES RAISE \$1.16 MILLION FOR UNITED WAYS

Webster Bank through its 2010 Employee Community Campaign was *75 Years of Caring* coincided with the bank celebrating its 75th anniversary year. Bob Twomey, campaign chairman and senior vice president at the bank says that *despite the continued challenges in today's economy, more Webster bankers pledged this year than ever before to help the United Way provide its broad safety net of human services.* This from a bank that was founded in the Great Depression--
THANK YOU WEBSTER BANK!

GIVE

Our Annual Campaign runs through the end of March. All money raised in Milford stays in Milford. By giving to the United Way of Milford you support United Way and our 21 partner agencies.

ADVOCATE

You can make change happen with your voice. United Way needs people who are passionate about education, income and health to make some noise.

VOLUNTEER

United Way of Milford works with volunteers and local non-profits to develop the best opportunities for youth, busy working adults and seniors.

FREE TAX PREPARATION
FOR HOUSEHOLDS
EARNING LESS THAN
\$49,000 THROUGH THE
VOLUNTEER INCOME
TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)
program
Dial **2-1-1** for location and
hours



United Way
2010 Membership
Requirements
COMPLETED



You can LIVE UNITED by helping us spread the word. Imagine how many people we could reach if everyone forwards this to five people.

United Way envisions a world where all individuals and families achieve their human potential through education, income stability and healthy lives.



From the Desk of the President...

Gary Johnson

Snow, snow, snow...by now we must be tired of the snow. The shoveling, the salting, and the cold weather can really wear one down. However, we can take solace in knowing that the weather will get better. This is not so for the many members of our community who struggle daily to find a way to pay the rent, keep the heat on, seek medical assistance, or feed their family. We get *tired* of snow that will be over within a few months; can you imagine how those whose struggles don't end with a season feel on a daily basis? These are the families and friends that you help by supporting our campaign. Our partner agencies have submitted their program needs and requests for funding, and it is apparent through first glance that the needs have increased. We are at 83% of our goal. Please help us provide for our neighbors those life needs that we take for granted--a place to retreat to after shoveling snow, and a simple cup of hot chocolate. Your support is critical and most appreciated by those you help.

Stay safe and warm through the winter season.

Gary



It's Girl Scout Cookie time!

Help support our local Girl Scouts and you help our community--not only do these young ladies learn leadership skills, they use the proceeds from their cookie sales to cook for the homeless, plant a community garden, and as part of their service project, COOKIES FOR HEROES, they send cookies to the troops at home and overseas.

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Partner Agency Happenings

Milford Senior Center
FREE TAX PREPARATION
Thursday, February 3rd-
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m;
every Tuesday and Thursday until
April 14th. Registration is necessary.
Please call Program Director Mary
Steinmetz 203 877-5131.

MOVIE
Friday, February 4th 1:15 p.m.
"Valentine's Day".
An Ice Cream Social to follow.

SUPER BINGO
Monday, February 7th, 11:00 a.m. to
4:00 p.m.
Lunch Break 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

CENTER CLOSING February 11th

VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE
Monday, February 14th,
1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Tickets are \$15.00.

CENTER CLOSING February 21st

TIME FOR A MOVIE
Friday, Feb. 25th
1:15 p.m. "My Dog Skip".

Rape Crisis Center
7th Annual Indoor Golf Classic
Friday, February 26th,
Grassy Hill Country Club
For Information
email peggy.mrcc@sbcglobal.net

Boys & Girls Club of Milford
Runway Diva Fashion Show
February 5, 11am - 3pm
Location: Go Green Milford

INVEST
IN
YOUR
COMMUNITY



United Way 2-1-1 handled
3, 072 calls in FY10 that
produced 4,484 requests
for services in Milford

Top 10 Requests in 2010

- Utilities/Heat
- Housing/Shelter
- Public Assistance Programs
- Outpatient Mental Health Care
- Information Services
- Financial Assistance
- Substance Abuse Services
- Food
- Health Supportive Services
- Legal Services



UNITED WAY OF MILFORD UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAMPION
THE
CAUSE

COME MEET THE WOMEN WITH UNITED VISION

WHERE: Milford Fine Arts Council

WHEN: February 16, 2011

7pm to 8:30pm

We are looking for women who want to make a difference in our community

Call 203-874-6791 for more information



GIVE
YOUR
TIME



SAVE THE DATE

Community Builders Celebration

April 27, 2011

Costa Azzurra

Please join us as we celebrate those individuals whose work and service strengthen our community and our campaign supporters whose investments in United Way help make long lasting change in our community