The Hard Truth

Greater Chattanooga is wildly philanthropic. We have 1,600 nonprofits, 1,200 churches and are 50% more generous than the average city in philanthropic giving. However...

Education
Nearly two-thirds of Hamilton County students are below grade level in English and math.¹

Health
About 10% of the Hamilton County population has a disability.²

Stability
Chattanooga ranks 9th worst in the country for economic mobility.³

We have the organizations and the dollars, so how might we better affect change?

3. https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2015/05/03/upshot/the-best-and-worst-places-to-grow-up-how-your-area-compares.html?_r=0&abt=0002&abg=0
All individuals and families deserve to achieve their full human potential.

We've been in Chattanooga for nearly 100 years and worked together through decades of changes. Our staff is made up of community residents who live and work in the daily tensions that exist in our community. Our goal is simple: connect our community to create solutions to our most critical problems.

Because of this, we've developed a collaborative framework that empowers community to solve root issues in education, stability and health, and prioritizes impact where and when it's needed most.

No one nonprofit, business or individual can do it alone. United, we can.

Our Approach

EDUCATE

We will inform the community about real issues affecting our neighbors and the community partners providing solutions using community voice and trends in data.

ENGAGE

We will create simple, actionable ways to get involved so everyday citizens can make direct impact. It takes the power of community to impact community.

EMPOWER

We will connect passionate individuals together and give them what they need to lead the charge in community to solve problems.

GET INVOLVED

Connect with us on social media and receive our emails to stay informed on what’s happening in community and how you can get involved. Join an engagement group to work alongside people like you making a difference every day. We win together when we LIVE UNITED.