



UNITED WAY
Greater Chattanooga

2026-27 FUNDED PARTNERS

FUNDING PROCESS

Our open, competitive, and community-informed investment process directs resources toward nonprofit partners prioritizing key areas of impact for thriving communities.



50+ hours of staff time dedicated to thorough application reviews, planning and interviews



37 grant reviewers ensuring comprehensive assessment



13 financial reviewers verifying fiscal responsibility and viability



16 committee members providing oversight and final recommendations

FUNDING CHANNELS

Total Organizations Invested: 52

New Partners: 5

Over \$3.3 Million Invested

BRIDGE FUND

Annual investments that support basic needs such as food, shelter, transportation, etc.

IMPACT FUND

3-year investments in local nonprofits collaboratively delivering 2-Gen solutions for ALICE households with children.

CATALYST FUND

Annual investments with the potential to accelerate impact by supporting innovative 2-Gen approaches for ALICE households with children.

THREE IMPACT PRIORITIES

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN

We are supporting a healthy start and quality learning experiences for all children, regardless of race, income, neighborhood, or ability.

ECONOMIC MOBILITY FOR FAMILIES

We are investing in efforts to help working families obtain stable, high-quality jobs and take control of their financial future.

A MORE CONNECTED COMMUNITY

We are helping to build a vibrant and engaged community where children and families can thrive.



ALICE families are working hard but still struggling. The **2-generation approach** lifts the **whole family**—kids and caregivers—through **coordinated support**.

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*asterisk indicates a new partner



BRIDGE FUND PARTNERS



A Step Ahead Chattanooga

Mission: The mission of A Step Ahead is to remove barriers to contraception through education, outreach, and access to free birth control.

Bridge Fund Project: Expanding access to reproductive health services in Hamilton County through free birth control, transportation assistance, and enhanced service delivery capacity. Funding will support client intake and navigation, coordination with partner clinics, coverage of medical costs not paid by insurance, and additional staffing to ensure timely access and eliminate barriers to care.

Website: astepaheadchattanooga.org



Chattanooga Area Food Bank

Mission: To lead a network of partners and unite the community to eliminate hunger by feeding, nourishing, and empowering those we serve.

Bridge Funded Project: Operational support for Foxwood Food Center, including bulk food purchasing, staffing, and logistics. Funds will help maintain a high-volume grocery-style pantry model that distributes fresh and shelf-stable food, supports benefit enrollment assistance, and ensures consistent access for thousands of households each month.

Website: chattfoodbank.org



Chattanooga CARES (Cempa Community Care)

Mission: To champion healthy communities by providing affordable, compassionate, and high-quality care through advancing comprehensive support services and person-centered best practices.

Bridge Funded Project: Food and transportation assistance integrated into case management services. This includes food vouchers, an on-site pantry for people with HIV or AIDS, access to mobile food markets, and transportation support such as gas cards and rides to medical and behavioral health appointments to improve treatment adherence.

Website: cempa.org/



Chattanooga Room in the Inn

Mission: Empowering women and children experiencing homelessness to rebuild their lives by providing transitional housing, support and hope.

Bridge Funded Project: Eviction prevention assistance for program graduates at risk of housing loss, including rental assistance, six months of follow-up case management, and financial coaching. The goal is to stabilize households after program completion and prevent a return to homelessness.

Website: chattanoogaroomintheinn.com



Children's Advocacy Center Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit

Mission: The Children's Advocacy Center of the Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit (CAC-LMJC) is a child-friendly home that assists in the centralized activities of all agencies involved in the intervention and prevention of child abuse. We offer support for physical and emotional safety of children and their non-offending caregivers while facilitating joint investigations conducted by specially-trained professionals.

Bridge Funded Project: Development of a Sensory Activation Vehicle (SAV) to deliver mobile, trauma-informed therapeutic services. This vehicle will travel to homes, schools, and community sites to provide sensory-based therapy, forensic support, and crisis intervention for children with trauma and sensory processing needs (including PTSD, autism, and TBI).

Website: caclmjc.com/



Family Crisis Center of Walker, Dade, Catoosa, and Chattooga Counties

Mission: To support those in our community who are impacted by domestic and family violence as they transition into becoming survivors who strive to rebuild and restore, healthy abuse-free lives. We aim to provide safe temporary refuge or shelter, crisis intervention, advocacy, prevention and community education.

Bridge Funded Project: Transitional housing and stabilization services for survivors of domestic violence, including rental and utility assistance, childcare and transportation support, and case-managed advocacy. Funding helps families move from crisis to independence by addressing immediate safety needs while building pathways to long-term housing stability.

Website: thefamilycrisiscenter.org/



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Girls Inc. of Chattanooga

Mission: At Girls Inc. of Chattanooga, we inspire and equip all girls to be strong, smart, and bold through intentional opportunities and experiences.

Bridge Funded Project: Girls Inc. has formed a Family and Community Collective that provides direct support for their enrolled students. Services include assistance with housing, utilities, food, transportation, and medical needs, alongside case management, family workshops, and resource coordination.

Website: girlsincofchatt.org



Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga

Mission: The Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga builds and fosters a strong unified Jewish community and strives to ensure its well-being and continuity locally, in Israel, and throughout the world.

Bridge Funded Project: Expanded Elder Stability and Support services, including home-delivered meals, transportation to medical appointments, nurse advocacy, and social worker-led case management. Funds help sustain long-term, relationship-based care for isolated older adults.

Website: jewishchattanooga.com



Kidney Foundation of the Greater Chattanooga Area

Mission: To provide help and information to those affected by kidney disease with a vision to be the leading resource of kidney related support in the greater Chattanooga area including: patient assistance, education, awareness, and prevention that improve the community's quality of life.

Bridge Funded Project: Emergency financial assistance for individuals with end-stage renal disease, covering rent, utilities, food, transportation to dialysis, medications, and essential medical devices. Requests are coordinated through clinical social workers and delivered quickly to prevent health crises.

Website: kidneyfoundation.com/



La Paz

Mission: The Mission of La Paz is to empower and engage Chattanooga's Latino population through advocacy, education, and inclusion.

Bridge Funded Project: As housing requests from Chattanooga's growing Latino community rise, La Paz provides emergency housing assistance combined with bilingual case management. Funds support rent and mortgage payments, stabilize families at risk of eviction, and connect clients to long-term supports through culturally and linguistically appropriate services.

Website: lapazchattanooga.org



The Launch Pad

Mission: The Launch Pad is a non-profit organization dedicated to launching women out of addiction and into the healing power of a 12-step sober living program. We provide housing, mentorship, and work force development that is nurtured with love, support, and structure.

Bridge Funded Project: Immediate basic needs support for women reentering the community, including hygiene kits, food access, transportation assistance, and benefit navigation. Funds stabilize participants during their transition into employment and recovery.

Website: lpchatt.org



LifeSpring Community Health

Mission: LifeSpring is a community health ministry whose purpose is to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ by providing a pediatric clinic with exemplary medical staff and innovative services that embrace the whole child, serve their family, and transform the health of our community.

Bridge Funded Project: Immediate needs assistance delivered through Community Health Workers, including food, formula, medications, and medical equipment. Funding enables rapid response to urgent needs identified during healthcare visits while connecting families to longer-term supports.

Website: lifespringcommunityhealth.org



**Médicos
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Medicos Mission Fund

Mission: Our mission is to make quality healthcare accessible to Chattanooga's underserved Latino community regardless of insurance status, language, pregnancy, age or gender.

Bridge Funded Project: Charitable prescription coverage for uninsured and underinsured patients. Funding allows providers to fill essential medications at the point of care, improving treatment adherence, reducing emergency visits, and stabilizing chronic health conditions.

Website: mmfchattanooga.org



Momentum Network

Mission: Building the village that propels two-generations to shatter statistics with single moms in college & their children.

Bridge Funded Project: Emergency financial support paired with coaching, covering childcare gaps, rent, transportation, and other urgent needs. Funds are deployed quickly to prevent crises while participants engage in long-term education, employment, and stability planning.

Website: momentumnetwork.org



Northside Neighborhood House

Mission: To promote the independence of residents north of the river by providing a hand up through education and assistance.

Bridge Funded Project: Northside Neighborhood House's Stability program provides direct financial assistance for rent, utilities, and food combined with case management, financial coaching, and long-term stability planning. Funds support immediate crisis resolution while building pathways to sustained independence.

Website: nnhouse.org



Purpose Point Learning Academy (PPLA)

Mission: Purpose Point Learning Academy (PPLA) is a development-focused early-learning program that provides children ages 6 weeks to 12 years with a nurturing, safe, and positive environment.

Bridge Funded Project: Comprehensive family stabilization supports, including childcare tuition assistance, transportation, food, rent, and hygiene supplies. Funding also supports a Parent Pantry and wraparound services to reduce barriers to consistent early education enrollment.

Website: purpose-point.org



Ringgold UMC - Nourishing Children in Catoosa County

Mission: Nourishing Children in Catoosa County works to reduce child hunger by providing weekend food support to students in need.

Bridge Funded Project: Weekly distribution of weekend snack packs to students qualifying for free or reduced lunch across 14 schools. Funding supports the purchase of food items that are packed and delivered by volunteers, ensuring children have consistent access to nutrition outside of school days.

Website: facebook.com/NourishingChildrenInCatoosa



Siskin Children's Institute

Mission: To improve the quality of life for children with special needs and their families.

Bridge Funded Project: Provision of essential hygiene items (including diapers) and food for families enrolled in intensive therapy programs. Support reduces financial strain and ensures consistent participation in treatment.

Website: siskin.org



The Samaritan Center*

Mission: To meet the basic physical, spiritual, and social needs of people in our area, using the ministry of Jesus as our model.

Bridge Funded Project: Emergency assistance for rent, utilities, food, clothing, and transportation, delivered through individualized case management. Funding enables rapid response to crises while connecting families to longer-term resources.

Website: thesamaritancenter.net



Volunteers in Medicine Chattanooga Inc.

Mission: The mission of the Volunteers in Medicine Chattanooga is to understand and serve the health and wellness needs of the medically underserved in our community by providing quality, compassionate, personal care in a faith-based environment.

Bridge Funded Project: Expansion of the Community Health Navigation program, providing one-on-one support to connect patients with food, housing, employment, and financial resources identified through social needs assessments.

Website: vim-chatt.org



YMCA of Metropolitan Chattanooga (J.A. Henry)

Mission: The YMCA is driven by its mission to put its Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

Bridge Funded Project: Expansion of Bingo's Market and Mobile Market, including food purchasing, distribution logistics, and outreach. These programs provide consistent, affordable access to fresh and healthy foods in neighborhoods with limited grocery access.

Website: ymcachattanooga.org



YMCA of Metropolitan Chattanooga (North Georgia Community YMCA)

Mission: To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

Bridge Funded Project: Expansion of Backpack Blessings and Emergency Food Box programs, providing weekend meal packs and crisis food assistance to food-insecure students. Services are delivered through school partnerships, with discreet identification of need and consistent distribution to ensure children have reliable nutrition outside of school hours.

Website: ymcachattanooga.org

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Bethel Bible Village

Mission: To provide Christ-centered homes and education for children, equipping and inspiring them to fulfill God's plan for their lives.

Catalyst Funded Project: "Equipping today's students for tomorrow's careers"

Launch of a Career Readiness Program at Bethel Bible Village that helps students identify strengths and explore career pathways. Funding will support partnerships with local colleges and businesses to provide on-campus training, along with integrated therapeutic support that helps students build purpose, prepare for postsecondary education or employment, and increase independence.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: bethelbiblevillage.org



BetterFi

Mission: To provide equitable financial services and programming as a pathway out of dependence on predatory loans.

Catalyst Funded Project: "Comprehensive Financial Stability"

Expansion of services that help individuals refinance predatory debt, build credit, and increase savings. Funding will support enhanced financial coaching and tools, development of savings and credit-building opportunities for families, and partnerships with employers and community organizations to improve access to safe financial products and long-term financial stability.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: betterfi.co



Chattanooga Autism Center

Mission: To serve autistic individuals of all ages. The Center promotes inclusion and acceptance of autistic individuals and provides services, resources, and education to the community.

Catalyst Funded Project: "2Gen healthcare, education, & support for ALICE"

Expansion of a coordinated, multi-generation model integrating a region-wide Resource Hub, clinical services, and caregiver education. Funding will support increased access to assessments, therapy, and counseling, while strengthening resource navigation for families, reducing fragmentation and improving outcomes for both autistic individuals and their caregivers.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: chattanoogaautismcenter.org



Chattanooga Room in the Inn

Mission: Empowering women and children experiencing homelessness to rebuild their lives by providing transitional housing, support, and hope.

Catalyst Funded Project: “More Than a Room: Growing Futures”

Launch of a long-term housing program for unaccompanied youth (ages 16–18) experiencing homelessness while enrolled in Hamilton County schools. Funding will support a stable, community-based living environment paired with case management, tutoring, counseling, and life skills development, helping youth build stability, graduate, and transition to independent adulthood.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: chattanoogaroomintheinn.com



Chattanooga Symphony & Opera*

Mission: The CSO delivers transformational orchestral experiences that engage, inspire, and connect our community.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Family Series concerts support early literacy.”

Expansion of a free concert series that pairs classical music with children’s literature and bilingual narration to promote early literacy. Funding will support performances in underserved communities, interactive activities, take-home books, and new programming that engages both children and caregivers to build lasting literacy habits.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: chattanoogasymphony.org/



Children’s Advocacy Center of Hamilton County (CAC)

Mission: To provide a path to healing and justice for child victims of abuse and their nonoffending caregivers and educate the community to prevent abuse.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Multi-Generational Approach to Complex Child Abuse”

Expansion of a two-generation care model that supports both child victims of abuse and their caregivers. Funding will strengthen services addressing trafficking, substance exposure, and mental health crises by enhancing caregiver support, referrals, and partnerships, promoting long-term stability and improved outcomes for children and families.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: cachc.org



Communities in Schools of Catoosa County Inc

Mission: To surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Catalyst Funded Project: "Program financially empowers families!"

Integration of financial literacy and coaching into school-based and home-visiting programs, supporting both students and their caregivers. Funding will provide practical tools, relationship-based coaching, and access to financial resources, helping families build stability while improving student academic and developmental outcomes.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: ciscatoosa.org



Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Chattanooga*

Mission: We are a not-for-profit organization focused on the financial wellness of families and individuals. Our certified professionals provide confidential counseling, educational services and other solutions enabling our clients to achieve financial peace of mind.

Catalyst Funded Project: "Financial stability for ALICE households outcomes."

Expansion of a two-generation financial stability model that supports parents and children together. Funding will provide credit counseling, debt reduction, and housing support alongside family-centered coaching, helping parents build credit and savings while engaging children in financial learning, strengthening long-term economic mobility for families.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: cccsofchattanooga.org/



Council for Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services, Inc. (CADAS)

Mission: To deliver the highest quality treatment, prevention, and educational services to the chemically dependent, their families, and the community at large, regardless of their ability to pay.

Catalyst Funded Project: "Transportation access to impact family stability"

Launch of the Family Mobility & Access Program, integrating transportation and systems navigation into substance use treatment for families with children. Funding will support access to employment, healthcare, and essential services, helping parents maintain stability and improving outcomes for both caregivers and children.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: cadas.org/



Creative Discovery Museum

Mission: To inspire all children to explore, innovate, create, and play.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Expanding Access to Experiential Learning”

Expansion of school and family engagement efforts for ALICE households through outreach lessons, family nights, and free museum access. Funding will support hands-on learning experiences, bilingual take-home activities, and reduced-cost memberships, strengthening early learning and family engagement both in school and at home.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: cdmfun.org/



East Lake Expression Engine

Mission: Expression Engine is an El Sistema inspired after school and summer music program that seeks to develop the creativity, discipline, problem solving skills, social skills, and spiritual maturity of its students through musical instruction and collaboration in a gospel-centered environment.

Catalyst Funded Project: “ELEE Apprentice Program for Intern Graduates”

Launch of a paid apprenticeship pathway for former high school interns who have graduated, providing continued mentoring and paid work experience while expanding job training through community partners to build career-ready skills and strengthen household stability for ALICE families.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: eastlakeexpressionengine.com/



Gaining Ground*

Mission: To increase access to locally grown foods, provide nutrition education, and inspire engagement in regional agriculture.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Increasing Household Access to Nutritious Foods”

Expansion of a workforce development initiative that supports paid, career-aligned internships for local students. Funding will provide hands-on experience in culinary production, marketing, and food systems, helping students build skills while contributing to long-term food access efforts in their communities.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: thegainingground.org/



KELCURT Foundation

Mission: To elevate community spirit and guide individuals and families into self-sustaining practices, helping to eliminate food insecurities and improve overall well-being utilizing the arts, sciences, education, music and literature.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Growing Readers and Healthy Families”

Pilot of a two-generation model combining food access, literacy, and hands-on learning for families with young children. Funding will support a “grow-read-cook” pathway that includes community gardening, story-based activities, cooking labs, and caregiver literacy training—building skills and stability for both children and adults.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: kelcurtfoundation.org



LIFT Youth Center, Inc.

Mission: Creating opportunities for Students to be Loved as they are, Inspired to be more, Found in community, and Trusted to make a difference.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Students will achieve a healthy/successful future.”

Expansion of free afterschool programming to increase access and consistency for middle and high school students. Funding will support additional program staff and operating costs, enabling more frequent attendance and a stable, supportive environment for youth from ALICE households.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: liftyouthcenter.org



Rabbit Valley Farmers Market

Mission: The Rabbit Valley Farmers Market promotes the exchange of fresh, local food between Catoosa County producers, residents, and visitors, supporting local growers, providing quality products, advancing sustainable agriculture, and fostering downtown revitalization.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Nourish North Georgia: Food Equity and Security”

Expansion of a food access model that provides fresh produce and proteins alongside family-centered nutrition education. Funding will support coordinated efforts that address both immediate food needs and long-term household stability, helping caregivers build skills while supporting healthy development for children.

UWGC Impact Priority: A More Connected Community

Website: rabbitvalleyfarmersmarket.com



Scenic City Clay Arts*

Mission: To share access to all things clay through collaborative education in a community studio.

Catalyst Funded Project: “SCCA Monthly Workshops and Internship with La Paz”

Expansion of free, bilingual family clay workshops in partnership with La Paz, engaging caregivers and children together in hands-on learning. Funding will also support paid internships for young adults to gain teaching, outreach, and arts-based workforce experience while strengthening connections with the Latino community.

UWGC Impact Priority: A More Connected Community

Website: sceniccityclayarts.org/



SPLASH

Mission: SPLASH utilizes free art classes to mentor and encourage youth from low-income backgrounds. The immersion of a child in guided art creation enhances their self-esteem and strengthens mental resilience. Kids engaged in artmaking helps them as students and members of the community.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Shelter In Art uses artmaking for healing.”

Expansion of a two-generation arts-based program that engages children and caregivers together through creative expression. Funding will support artmaking experiences in community settings, exhibitions, and family participation opportunities that strengthen emotional regulation, connection, and well-being for children and their families.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: splashyouthartsworkshop.org



AIM Center

Mission: The AIM Center provides consumer-driven psychiatric rehabilitation services that enhance recovery in the living, working, learning and social environments.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Connected Care for ALICE Families”

Expansion of an integrated care coordination model that connects mental and physical health services for caregivers and their children. Funding will support stronger partnerships, referral systems, and coordinated navigation, improving access to care and strengthening stability for ALICE families.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families, Opportunities for All Children

Website: aimcenterinc.org



The Boys and Girls Club of Chattanooga

Mission: To enable young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

Catalyst Funded Project: “It creates two-gen workforce readiness.”

Expansion of a two-generation workforce model that supports both youth and their families in achieving economic stability. Funding will increase paid internships, career exploration opportunities, and family engagement efforts, helping youth gain job experience while connecting caregivers to employment resources and strengthening overall household stability.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: bgccha.org/



The Pop Up Project

Mission: To build a vibrant, diverse, and sustainable performing arts economy that is authentic to our area and engaged with our community, while providing fair wage opportunities to local artists.

Catalyst Funded Project: “Speaking Through Dance: Rhythm and Regulation”

Expansion of an in-school, arts-based wellness program at Calvin Donaldson Elementary School that integrates dance, trauma-informed care, and emotional regulation. Funding will support student programming, caregiver engagement, and family-centered wellness events, strengthening well-being and connection across generations.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: thepopupproject.org



The Sexual Assault Victim's Advocacy Center, Inc.

Mission: To provide healing and support to victims of sexual violence through immediate crisis intervention, advocacy, and counseling; to end sexual violence by promoting education and raising awareness; and to foster strong community partnerships to enhance our efforts in creating a safer environment for all.

Catalyst Funded Project: "Sexual Violence Awareness, Prevention & Services"

Expansion of services that support both survivors and their children through counseling, education, and family-centered programming. Funding will strengthen trauma-informed care, promote healthy relationships, and build resilience across generations, creating lasting stability for families and communities.

UWGC Impact Priority: A More Connected Community

Website: savacenterga.org/



IMPACT FUND PARTNERS



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Chattanooga

Impact Funded Project: Funds will support a dual-generation mentorship initiative aimed at reducing youth violence in Chattanooga's high-risk neighborhoods. The program emphasizes community engagement, diverse mentorship, and family support, particularly for underserved and Latino youth.

UWGC Impact Priority: A More Connected Community

Website: bbbschatt.org



Chambliss Center for Children

Impact Funded Project: Chambliss Center for Children provides affordable, high-quality early childhood education and 24/7 childcare for low-income families, along with foster care and transitional living support. Funding will enhance their Early Childhood Education and Extended Childcare Program.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: chamblisscenter.org



Chattanooga 2.0

Impact Funded Project: Chattanooga 2.0 is a cross-sector collaborative working to drive generational change in Hamilton County through educational attainment and economic opportunity. With a focus on ALICE households, they lead initiatives from early childhood to career readiness, using data-driven strategies to remove systemic barriers and support lifelong success.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: chatt2.org



Chattanooga Area Food Bank

Impact Funded Project: The Chattanooga Area Food Bank supports ALICE families who often lose public benefits as they approach self-sufficiency, leaving them without critical resources. This grant will fund key staff roles to connect families with wraparound services and expand food access through schools and the Foxwood Food Center.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: chattfoodbank.org



CHATTANOOGA NEIGHBORHOOD ENTERPRISE

Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise (CNE)

Impact Funded Project: Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise (CNE) addresses housing instability among ALICE families by fostering community resilience through its Community Building & Engagement (CBE) approach. Funding will support operational costs, home repair materials, and neighborhood revitalization projects that strengthen social networks and empower locally driven solutions.

UWGC Impact Priority: A More Connected Community

Website: cneinc.org



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Crabtree Farms of Chattanooga

Impact Funded Project: Crabtree Farms is developing a community-driven food distribution model to improve access to fresh, healthy food and greenspace for ALICE families in South Chattanooga. With support, the initiative will expand culturally sensitive outreach, educational events, and partnerships to transform the farm into a hub for food security and community resilience.

UWGC Impact Priority: A More Connected Community

Website: crabtreefarms.org



First Things First

Impact Funded Project: Funding for FTF's programming and services for residents living at the Maclellan Shelter for Families. Through a multitude of community partnerships, this program helps families living in crisis move to stability. FTF can then focus on providing families with relationship and parenting skills and support that break negative cycles and create positive generational change.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: firstthings.org



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Girls Inc. of Chattanooga

Impact Funded Project: The Girls Inc. Empowering Girls, Transforming Families Initiative will serve ALICE households with enriching in-school and out-of-school programming that builds confidence, academic success, and life skills. With a two-generational approach, the initiative also supports families, aiming to foster economic independence and long-term success.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: girlsincofchatt.org



La Paz

Impact Funded Project: As Chattanooga's Latino community grows, La Paz provides stabilization services and case management, followed by educational programs that promote financial literacy, job access, and academic support for first-generation college students. Funding will enhance these efforts, supporting both individual and family stability and long-term empowerment through education.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: lapazchattanooga.org



LAUNCH

Impact Funded Project: LAUNCH has empowered minority, women, and low-wealth entrepreneurs through business training, coaching, mentoring, and access to capital. Funding will support core programs like the Startup Matrix, Kitchen Incubator of Chattanooga, and youth entrepreneurship initiatives, helping expand their impact on economic success and business growth.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: launchchattanooga.org



Legal Aid of East Tennessee

Impact Funded Project: Legal Aid of East Tennessee's Family Stability Initiative will provide essential legal services to low-income families in Hamilton County, focusing on housing, consumer issues, domestic violence, and benefits access to promote financial stability. Funding will support a full-time attorney and partial paralegal support, enabling a collaborative, comprehensive approach to removing legal barriers to economic mobility.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: laet.org



LifeSpring Community Health

Impact Funded Project: Funding will support general operations as it expands and integrates pediatric, community, and behavioral health services through a unified, evidence-based case management model. This approach aims to reduce healthcare access inequities and ensure all children in Chattanooga have the opportunity to thrive.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: lifespringcommunityhealth.org



**Médicos
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Medicos Mission Fund

Impact Funded Project: Funding will expand operational support for maternal and child health services, addressing critical gaps in prenatal and postnatal care for Medicaid and uninsured patients, particularly in rural areas.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: mmfchattanooga.org



Momentum Network*

Impact Funded Project: The Momentum Network empowers economically vulnerable single mothers and their children by providing supportive housing, childcare, and access to education and career pathways. Through a holistic, two-generational approach that includes mentorship, life skills, and case management, the program helps break the cycle of poverty and build stable, thriving futures for both mothers and their children.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: momentumnetwork.org



Northside Neighborhood House

Impact Funded Project: Northside Neighborhood House's CommUNITY School Program supports student success by integrating academics, health, and social services through school-based coordinators who connect families to essential resources. Funding will enhance program delivery, strengthen coordinator-led initiatives, and expand direct support to improve both student outcomes and family stability.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: nnhouse.org



Partnership for Families, Children and Adults (FCA)

Impact Funded Project: Partnership for Families, Children and Adults provides a wide range of services that help individuals and families move from crisis to stability. Their programs include 24/7 crisis support for victims of domestic and sexual violence, housing navigation, court advocacy, counseling, and employment assistance. They also offer life coaching for youth aging out of foster care and parents working toward stability, as well as services for the Deaf community such as employment support, interpreting, and ASL classes. These efforts are designed to build long-term economic mobility and personal empowerment across generations.

UWGC Impact Priority: Economic Mobility for Families

Website: partnershipfca.com



Signal Centers Inc.

Impact Funded Project: Funding will support general operations for its programs that serve ALICE and low-income families through a two-generational approach. These programs include inclusive early childhood education, specialized camps for children with complex needs, intensive case management and support for families through Family Forward, and communication-focused therapies provided by the Speech & Hearing Center—all designed to strengthen entire families and promote long-term stability and development.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: signalcenters.org



Siskin Children's Institute

Impact Funded Project: Siskin provides early intervention services for children with developmental delays, using a two-generation approach that supports both children and their caregivers—particularly those from ALICE and low-income families. By offering affordable, life-changing therapies regardless of insurance status, Siskin helps children reach their full potential while reducing long-term educational and healthcare costs for families.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: siskin.org



YMCA of Metropolitan Chattanooga

Impact Funded Project: The J.A. Henry YMCA seeks to positively impact the health, well-being, and stability of families, individuals, and seniors in our community who struggle with poverty, food insecurity, and lack of access to basic resources. These programs offer wraparound services which address: access to healthy meals, snacks, and fresh foods for all ages; healthy lifestyle promotion and nutrition education through on-site daily programs and cooking classes; medically prescriptive meals for LIVESTRONG participants and community members; and healthy mind and body movement classes for adults.

UWGC Impact Priority: Opportunities for All Children

Website: ymcachattanooga.org

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