



*The  
Palmetto  
Leadership  
Society*

**2016 - 2017**



**United Way of York County, SC**

United Way fights for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in every community.

We win by forging unlikely partnership.

By finding new solutions to old problems.

By mobilizing the best resources.

And by inspiring individuals to join the fight against their community's most daunting crises.

We win by living United.

## **United Way of York County, SC Mission Statement**

United Way of York County transforms communities by offering opportunities which improve quality of life.

## **Vision**

A community of healthy, educated and financially secure people.

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Dear Friends of United Way of York County,

On behalf of the United Way of York County, SC, we want to thank you for your gift at the Palmetto Leadership Society level in our 2016-2017 Campaign. Your gift makes a difference by being invested locally to create lasting change.

For over 75 years, the United Way of York County has been more than just a fundraiser, we mobilize resources around our community's most critical problems to work toward lasting solutions. United Way of York County advocates for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in our community.

I appreciate your generous support and your commitment to being a part of change happening in York County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin R. Tolson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "K" and "T".

Kevin Tolson  
Palmetto Leadership Society Chair  
2016-2017

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At the core of every community are leaders whose caring spirit and generosity set the course for others.

Each year, hundreds of individuals partner with the United Way of York County, SC, as leadership givers to significantly improve the health, education and financial stability throughout York County.

Our leadership givers truly exemplify a standard of commitment to our county. Their contributions are leveraged to support the most effective, measurable outcomes that meet our community's greatest needs.

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United Way of York County, SC, is the community solutions provider. We identify the needs in order to make our community a better place to live, work and do business. With your help, the United Way and its twenty-five partner agencies work to understand and respond to those needs.

**2016-2017 Partner Agencies:**

Adult Enrichment Centers  
Affinity Health Center  
Alston Wilkes Society  
American Red Cross- Northern SC Chapter  
Boy Scouts- Palmetto Council  
Boys & Girls Clubs of York County  
Children's Attention Home  
Clemson Extension/4-H Youth Development  
Clover Area Assistance Center  
Early Learning Partnership of York County  
International Center of York County  
Keystone Substance Abuse Services  
Literacy Center of the Piedmont  
Pilgrims' Inn  
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The Haven Men's Shelter  
The Palmetto School at the Children's Attention Home  
The Salvation Army  
Upper Palmetto YMCA  
York County Council on Aging  
York County First Steps

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## United Way Sponsored Programs

**2-1-1:** Are you experiencing difficult times? Is someone you know struggling? Dial 2-1-1 or 1-866-892-9211 to connect with a network of agency resources available in York County.

**FAMILYWIZE PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT CARD:** Free prescription discount card with no eligibility requirements. Discount cards are available at the UWYC office or at [www.familywize.org](http://www.familywize.org).

**FEEL THE HEAT:** York County Natural Gas Authority established this program through customer contributions added to natural gas billing statements to assist senior citizens and/or disabled individuals with utility payments. UWYC administers this program with direct services and case management provided by several UWYC partner agencies.

**EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM:** Federal grant administered through the United Way of York County to help prevent homelessness. Local agencies are awarded funds to provide assistance for rent, mortgage and utilities.

**HOLIDAY PARTNERS:** Collaborative Holiday Assistance program that provides toys to local children ages birth to 14 years old during the holiday season. This program is in partnership with WRHI's Toys for Happiness and The Herald's Empty Stocking Fund.

**LETTER CARRIERS' STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE:** United Way partners with the National Letter Carriers' Association annually to collect food items placed at mailboxes by residents. Items are distributed to local food pantries that are in need of re-stocking their shelves during critical summer months.

**MEN'S WARMING CENTER:** During winter months, UWYC oversees a collaboration with Bethel United Methodist Church for homeless men.

**PROJECT CONNECT:** Annual one-day event where local businesses and organizations offer essential services to homeless and low-income individuals. This event is in partnership with the City of Rock Hill and Weed & Seed Urban Rock Hill.

**VITA:** Through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, volunteers become certified tax preparers and provide qualifying individuals and families with free, reliable assistance in filing state and federal returns.





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