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**Abilities Solutions - Assess, Develop, Employ:** The requested funds supported interdepartmentally purchased services from the Community Employment Department, and used to support additional services needed to move from a facility-based to a community-based model for transitional employment. Also, funds were able to help with the purchase of an additional van to transport clients to community-based work experiences.



**Abilities Solutions - VetAbility:** The funding has contributed toward personnel, travel, and provision of essential basic necessities for veterans in immediate need. In the 4 years since its inception, VetAbility has helped over 800 veterans, with 238 of those being Gloucester County residents.



**The Arc Gloucester - Camp Sun 'N Fun:** The funding from United Way of Gloucester County is crucial in allowing us to...1) keep tuition reasonable and affordable, 2) provide tuition support to campers with a documented financial need, 3) maintain a greater than adequate level of staff to make certain our campers' needs are met, 4) provide supplies and adaptive equipment to support all activities regardless of campers' abilities. Caregivers trust the program will provide a safe and caring environment, giving them comfort to leave their loved one for days at a time, allowing the caregiver to have a much needed respite. The funding from United Way of Gloucester County is vital in allowing The Arc Gloucester to meet, and exceed, expectations.

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**Big Brothers Big Sisters Independence Region - Mentoring:** The cost for BBBSIR to make and support one mentoring match is \$1,500 per year. UWGC's impact in the current FY18 of \$20,000 supports 13 mentoring matches. UWGC's support is magnified by the value of dedicated, professionally-supported volunteer mentors. BBBSIR estimates that the value of volunteer time is \$24.14 per hour. At minimum, "Bigs" spend 48 hours per year with their "Littles", a value of \$1,158.72 per child. Every dollar spent on BBBSIR by UWGC has a long-term, positive impact on children, families and communities. UWGC funding has been significant in our ability to serve the County.



**Center for Family Services - Mother/Child Residential:** United Way of Gloucester County funding has a profound impact on MCR's operation, allowing the program to continue its efforts to serve hundreds of southern New Jersey's most vulnerable women and their families. The funds help support the assistance to individual residents (emergency food, travel expenses, household supplies) and the purchase of educational supplies for the program (curriculum, classroom materials).



**The Center for People in Transition - Crisis to Career:** UWGC funding supports 3 levels of computer training in Word, Excel, Power Point, and Access. This training has produced success time and again for Gloucester County residents in transition who are looking for employment with a livable wage and benefits, which allows them to provide for themselves and their children. In addition, UWGC funding allows for the presentation of workshops on Resume Creation, Job Search, Interviewing, and Keeping the Job. Finally, the funding allows us to work with bereavement and self-esteem issues these residents might be facing as a result of their crises, so that they will be successful in their employment endeavors.

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**Food Bank of South Jersey - Gloucester County Children's Health & Meal Program:** The impact of support from United Way of Gloucester County will be felt both immediately and for years to come throughout Gloucester County. Your support will allow us to procure food which will be provided to youth and families, allowing for greater access to nutrient-dense, fresh produce and other healthy food choices to this underserved population. The impact of a healthier population can result in the reduction of tremendous health costs due to illnesses such as diabetes, heart disease and some cancers.



**Girl Scouts of Central & Southern New Jersey - Leadership Experience:** United Way of Gloucester County is the primary funder of this program. The program costs are significant, but the support of UWGC stabilizes the program and ensures that as we evaluate our programs and priorities, we have enough support for this program in Gloucester County to continue to bring life-changing leadership experiences to girls in underserved communities.



**Glassboro Child Development Centers - School Age Care Programs:** United Way of Gloucester County funding has allowed us to provide a sustainable, quality program for our county's most vulnerable children. Our United Way funds not only support a specific program, but specific families with children who might otherwise slip through the cracks in a long wait for social service programs to help them. Without our UWGC funds, GCDC would be unable to help families who require childcare services, especially during periods of instability. Children who are in quality, school-age programs have experiences that strengthen Executive Functioning (the ability to regulate and problem-solve), and at GCDC, we provide those experiences.

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**HollyDELL - Twenty-One Plus:** The United Way of Gloucester County provides funding for nursing care on community outing trips for our Twenty-One Plus Program. This funding enables individuals who require tube feedings, respiratory treatments, and seizure care to experience day program outings such as movies, trips to the park, ballgames, and museum visits or shopping trips on a regular basis. Without this funding, community trips for individuals with nursing needs would be limited.



**Literacy New Jersey - Adult Literacy:** United Way of Gloucester County Funding has been instrumental in the success of adult learners. The relationship built between our organizations has been essential to the stability of student services. By investing in our learners over the years, our programs have thrived. Without funding from UWGC, Literacy New Jersey would be forced to spend more time searching for dollars and less time providing vital literacy instruction.



**Maryville - Residential Substance Abuse Treatment & Mental Health Intervention:** Maryville's detoxification and residential addiction treatment programs are helping to create healthier communities and improve individual and family quality of life. With the support of UWGC, Maryville is: 1) increasing access to evidence-based care for those age 18+ who need treatment for addiction and co-occurring disorders, particularly the most vulnerable among us, 2) continuing to expand its resources, capabilities, and community partnerships to serve as a high quality, low-cost provider in the continuum of healthcare for Glo. Co. residents suffering from addiction and co-occurring disorders, and 3) increasing its offerings of prevention and education for schools, businesses, religious and civic organizations at no cost.

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**NewPoint Behavioral Health Care - Outpatient Program, Center Division:** Funding provided by United Way allows a psychiatrist to continue to see clients for medication management of their psychiatric symptoms. The funding allows the agency to continue to employ the psychiatrist 2 days a week, seven hours a day. If funding were eliminated by UWGC for this position, NewPoint would have to reduce the hours worked by the psychiatrist or terminate the employment of this contractual doctor.



**Repauno Preschool Day Care Center - Preschool Program:** United Way funding will help Repauno to refine its preschool auspices, investing in its children and its staff, striving to be more accessible and act as a positive presence in the community. United Way dollars will help to educate and empower these preschool children by promoting individuality, emphasizing social skills and emotional development. United Way dollars will play a major role in updating classroom materials and learning aides, and bring us up-to-date technologies, creating an atmosphere promoting and strengthening bonds between children, parent, and the childcare professional.



**Robins' Nest - Older Adult Services:** We are dependent on United Way funding for our Older Adult Services program for without it, the program would be severely compromised. There are so many seniors in Gloucester County who feel isolated and alone due to many factors including no family living nearby or personal debilitation which prevents them from enjoying life to the fullest. With this program in place, we give seniors a voice and an understanding support system.

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**Senior Corps - Medicare Counselling:** The Senior Corps Medicare Counselling Program is challenged to meet the needs of our constituents and effectively drive change with its limited resources. With the much appreciated United Way of Gloucester County funding, we are able to improve health care accessibility for individuals and to improve health and wellness.



**Woodbury Child Development Center - WCDC Life:** With the help of United Way funding this year, WCDC will have the ability to expand upon the program and initiate the opening of a new classroom, finish the indoor gross motor area, add technology to the classrooms, and improve the educational environment all around for the children.



**YMCA of Gloucester County - Y Access Program:** Funding from United Way of Gloucester County would provide up to 100 homeless youth with an opportunity to grow, thrive, and feel the sense of belonging. Participants maybe with us for one week to a full year, and we plan to track their involvement by participation, and staff and parent input. The Y Access Program will be an unparalleled catalyst for learning and academic success, helping students in need to narrow their achievement gap.