We fight for the education, financial stability and health of every person in our community.
IN MIAMI-DADE:

40% of households (356,568) are one emergency away from poverty. We call them ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed)*

19% of households (169,904) live in poverty

Combined, they represent 59% of all households

A CLOSER LOOK:

Among single-parent, female-headed households

40% ALICE

44% POVERTY

Among households headed by people 65+

43% ALICE

27% POVERTY

The household survival budget for a family of 4:

$61,368

Pays for housing, child care, food, health care, technology and transportation — does not include any savings and leaves a family vulnerable to unexpected expenses.

Thank you for investing in our work in 2018. We live better when we live united.

*From the 2018 ALICE Report
This past year, we invested $16.0 million in early childhood and $2.73 million in school-age services.

**GETTING IT RIGHT FROM THE START**

700 new neural connections are formed every second during a child’s first two years. These connections build brain architecture – the foundation on which all later learning, behavior and health depends.

1 in 3 young children are not prepared when they enter kindergarten.

Every $1 invested in early education programs yields returns to society between $4 - $9.

This past year through United Way:

10,583 young children received quality early interventions and experiences, improving their chances for success.

656 early education professionals at 256 programs received 5,831 hours of professional learning.

**STAYING ON TRACK THROUGH MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YEARS**

Almost 15% of students do not graduate high school on time.

3-6 pm are peak hours for young people to experiment with drugs, sex and commit crimes.

High school dropouts are twice as likely as college graduates to experience poverty.

This past year through United Way:

8,442 young people participated in programs that led to better grades, increased school attendance and fewer at-risk behaviors.

2,444 participated in United Way programs that helped them make good decisions.

88% improved their conduct, grades and/or attendance.

1,273 youth received job skills training.

14,970 participated in school and/or community-based out-of-school time programs and/or individualized supports.
This past year, we invested $2.94 million to connect individuals and families with tools, trainings and opportunities to become financially independent.

**FIRST THINGS FIRST: MEETING BASIC NEEDS**

- **12%** of Miami-Dade residents don’t know where their next meal will come from
- **20%** of children go to bed hungry
- **3,526** people are homeless

This past year through United Way:

- **11,592** workshops/sessions delivered
- More than **1,200** individuals received shelter
- Over **500,000** emergency meals were provided

**BUDGETING, SAVING, BUILDING ASSETS**

- **36%** of Miami-Dade residents spend more than half of their income on housing

This past year through United Way:

- **3,041** learned how to budget, manage and save money
- More than **9,500** families accessed free tax prep services, saving $2.4 million in fees, receiving almost $12 million in refunds and more than $4 million in Earned Income Tax Credits
- **1,226** individuals avoided homelessness

**ACCESSING JOBS TO SUPPORT THEIR FAMILIES**

- **63,747** unemployed in Miami-Dade

This past year through United Way, **10,341** unemployed and underemployed participated in training and placement programs to help them access jobs

**SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED US**

- Since 2016, **477** veterans and their families received employment, legal and financial help through United Way Mission United
WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED

23% of Miami-Dade residents remain uninsured

This past year through United Way:

33,685 people accessed care, including screenings, to improve their physical and mental health

Since 2007, 171,093 families have saved almost $15 million on prescriptions through our partnership with FamilyWize

STAYING HEALTHY AND ACTIVE AS WE AGE

1 in 7 older adults in South Florida chooses between buying medication, food or paying rent

This past year through United Way:

8,760 older adults received 1,378,749 free and nutritious meals

1,440 exercise classes helped 635 older adults improve their strength and endurance

MAINTAINING A SOUND BODY

More than 35% of children in Miami-Dade are overweight or obese

One in five youth (ages 13-17) needs mental health services

This past year through United Way:

1,050 children engaged in healthy eating, fitness and play

More than 8,000 mental health counseling sessions were provided

A HELPING HAND

Family caregivers provide an average of 62 hours of care a week; 34% also have full time jobs

This past year through United Way:

154,295 hours of respite care provided to caregivers

FIGHT FOR HEALTH
SO THAT EVERYONE – FROM YOUNG TO OLD – CAN LEAD FULL AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES

This past year, we invested $3.73 million to improve access to health, promote healthy lifestyles and help older adults stay well