

North Coast is a long time partner of United Way

United Way has a long history of supporting and funding other non-profits working on some of the biggest challenges our communities face every day. We support United Way through workplace fundraisers and event sponsorships.

United Way of Skagit County is currently focusing on improving Early Childhood Education, or the First 1,000 Days. Research continues to show that a child's early development will impact their entire life. United Way of Skagit's goal is to have all Skagit children ready to learn when they enter kindergarten. The hope to realize this goal by supporting children in the years before they enter the school system through parenting classes, play and learn groups, teacher training, developmental preschool programs, and more. Another of their successful programs is the Skagit Financial PEOPLE project. Providing financial education sessions for low to moderate income individuals and families.

United Way of Whatcom County supports organizations working on basic needs, economic mobility and breaking the cycle of poverty. This network of organizations then supports people on their journey to financial stability. Through volunteer Community Impact Panels, United Way interviews nonprofit organization seeking funding. The panels then determine where to allocate donations based on which programs best meet the needs of Whatcom County residents. Our Community Development Officer, Thomas Boucher, and other North Coast staff have served on Community Impact Panels at United Way of Whatcom County. United Way of Whatcom recently surveyed the community to discover the most pressing challenges and issues facing the county. Financial Stability rose to the top. As a credit union, the issue of financial stability is paramount in our outreach efforts.