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United Way of Dickinson and Dickinson State University work together to support students impacted by COVID-19

Dickinson, ND – The United Way of Dickinson and Dickinson State University are working together to support DSU students who are impacted by COVID-19. This effort is an expansion of the local community relief fund established by United Way of Dickinson in early March to help the area's most vulnerable individuals.

The DSU community is supporting the efforts of the United Way of Dickinson, which recently wrapped up two drives to help individuals in the community who are struggling with buying food, hygiene, and baby items. Donated baby items can still be taken to Charbonneau Car Center, AT&T off 21st St., or Daily Perks at CHI St. Alexius. These items will go to local people who are in need (including low-income individuals, immunocompromised individuals, and the elderly).

Individuals who are most vulnerable and needing assistance with grocery shopping or other important errands being ran are encouraged to contact United Way at 701-300-1094 (call or text) or email unitedway@ndsupernet.com or jenniferguw@ndsupernet.com for further assistance and information.

Individuals in need of food, hygiene, and baby items are encouraged to contact United Way at 701-300-1094 (via text) or email unitedway@ndsupernet.com or jenniferguw@ndsupernet.com for further assistance and information.

In addition, DSU students who are facing financial difficulty during this time of uncertainty can apply for assistance. The United Way has established a support fund as a dedicated resource for individuals affected by the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Donations made to the COVID-19 relief fund are being received in the forms listed below: Checks and Money Orders made out to “United Way of Dickinson” with “COVID-19 Relief Fund” or “COVID-19 DSU Students” written in the memo field can be mailed to:

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- Cash will be accepted in an envelope marked COVID-19 Relief Fund. It must be taken into United Way’s office located inside US Bank at 240 2nd St West, Dickinson.
- Online donations can be made at: <https://www.paypal.me/unitedwayofdickinson> or <https://www.facebook.com/UnitedWayofDickinson/?ref=settings>

With these donations we will work to mobilize our broad network of nonprofit agencies throughout the region to provide a flexible source of cash assistance to help families weather the COVID-19 crisis. These agencies have a proven and long track record of working with United Way to administer flexible emergency assistance for families impacted by income disruption.

Additionally, the United Way of Dickinson has decided to allocate micro grants to local nonprofits to help combat the spreading of COVID-19. The grants total up to \$300 per community partner and must go toward preventing the spreading of the virus. The grant is open to any nonprofit in Stark, Dunn, and Billings counties and is available until funds are exhausted.

Applications for the micro grant can be obtained by contacting United Way of Dickinson’s executive director, Nichole De Leon, at unitedway@ndsupernet.com.

United Way of Dickinson is working closely with 2-1-1 and Southwestern District Health Unit to track information on the virus. If you have any questions regarding the outbreak, call 2-1-1 or follow this link: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/public-health-communicators-get-your-community-ready.html>

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