United Way of Greater Atlanta’s vision for Paulding County is to support a community where every child and family, regardless of zip code, can reach their greatest potential.

Through United Way of Greater Atlanta’s Child Well-Being Agenda, we are working to ensure the children, along with the families of Paulding County, have the opportunity to live a healthy life, acquire the education and the skills they need to earn a good living and have a roof over their heads.
WE ARE ALIGNING AND STRENGTHENING OUR EFFORTS IN PAULDING COUNTY

United Way of Greater Atlanta in Paulding County continues to transform its communities and is working to do even more for the future. We have aligned priorities to address Paulding County’s most pressing issues of families experiencing financial instability and homelessness along with supportive services for improved workforce development.

Paulding County’s Child Well-Being score, which is based on the Child Well-Being Index’s* data-driven approach is 66.2. While Paulding scores higher than the region’s 13-county average of 61.8, there remains extreme disparities among Paulding County zip codes, with the lowest-scoring zip code rating 51.6 and the highest 77.1.

The rating gap between the 51.6 vs 77.1 zip code predicts vast differences in the life of a child, from the well-being of the child’s health to the child’s future earnings to lifespan. Paulding County has several programs and initiatives to address the concerns. United Way’s place-based approach targets priority zip codes while our multi-generational methodology embraces innovation and accelerates success. Collaboration and partnerships are key.

Learn more about your zip code by exploring United Way’s interactive maps to see how the children in your neighborhood are doing. Visit www.unitedwayatlanta.org/child-well-being-map/

*THE CHILD WELL-BEING INDEX DRIVES THE FRAMEWORK, TOOLS AND PARTNERSHIPS TO MEASURE THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ACROSS UNITED WAY OF GREATER ATLANTA’S 13-COUNTY REGION.

WE ARE IMPACTING PAULDING COUNTY

United Way of Greater Atlanta in Paulding County and our community partners play an important role in improving child well-being in our community. Our focus for improvements is based on the overarching needs identified by the residents and businesses in Paulding County. Together we are:

• Supporting health and wellness through access to services, prevention and intervention

• Working together to collaborate and design systems of service that provide a holistic approach to the needs of our families and individuals

• Creating sustainable community change by bringing the right people, services and resources together to drive collective impact

• Finding appropriate solutions and creating solutions to local issues through close partnerships with leaders throughout the county
WE ARE HERE WITH OUR PARTNERS

In the fall of 2014, a team of concerned community members embarked on a journey to form what we now know as CareLink: a community-based clinic currently delivering primary health care to those in need in Paulding County. United Way of Greater Atlanta in Paulding County is proud to be a financial supporter and community partner of CareLink of Northwest Georgia. CareLink is a non-profit organization governed by engaged citizens, business owners, health care professionals and members of the faith-based community in Paulding. Eighteen percent of residents in Paulding County are uninsured, limiting their ability to obtain crucial preventive and routine health services. CareLink’s mission is to enable all residents to live happier, healthier lifestyles. They do this through the provision of safe and compassionate high-quality care, effectively strengthening individuals, families and communities in Paulding community.

CareLink aligns closely with UWGA’s focus on Child Well-Being through its focus on bringing greater access to quality health care to families in the Paulding Community. CareLink offers non-traditional clinic hours, which allows for greater productivity in the workforce. Without losing critical time at work, greater income to families and better long-term health of the individuals served is achievable which leads to greater “community” health.

United Way will continue to work with CareLink to identify areas of collaboration and need in order to best serve all the residents of the county.

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

United Way of Greater Atlanta in Paulding County would like to acknowledge and thank our partners in Paulding County. Our partners include the Paulding County Chamber of Commerce, Paulding Family Connection, Paulding County School District, Family Alliance of Paulding County, CASA Paulding County, CareLink, Truth in Nature, and Faith Hope + Thread.

Our Gifts In-Kind Truck is a unique shopping experience provided by United Way of Greater Atlanta to the nonprofit community. Four times a year, registered 501(c)3 nonprofit agencies in Paulding County can collect items donated from various companies and partners. To be invited to our next Gifts In-Kind Truck distribution event please contact our office.

VITA is our Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. This incredible program offers working individuals and families FREE tax preparation for households with an income of $55,000 or less. This tax service is prepared in-person by IRS trained and certified volunteers.

Silence the Growl - A meal-funding program for partner agencies within our community who are working tirelessly to combat childhood summer hunger.
HELPING YOU SERVE

Volunteering your time to serve Paulding County communities can make all the difference. We can help you roll up your sleeves and get involved in your community. To find out more about volunteer opportunities in Paulding County, please contact us:

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770.428.8344

WHO WE ARE HERE IN PAULDING COUNTY

Advisory Board - Our local advisory board members play a critical role in helping to guide the work of United Way of Greater Atlanta in Paulding County. The board is comprised of leaders who work and live in our community and they are tasked with important decisions regarding our local action and community results.

Dr. Karniese Daniel, Chair

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