

# LIVE UNITED™



## Annual Report 2010

The United Way of Colquitt County works to advance the common good. This means creating opportunities for a better life for all. This is accomplished through our funding of programs and initiatives provided by partner agencies, participation in collaborative efforts and involving our community in solutions that benefit all of us. When we reach out a hand to one, we influence the condition of all. Our leadership understands that we all win when a child succeeds in school, when families are financially stable and when people have good health. Our results have benefits that ripple out to the community as a whole.

**Mission** *To organize, coordinate, and maximize the resources available to our diverse community to improve the quality of life.*

**Vision** *Caring people working together to improve the quality of life in Colquitt County.*

- ♥ *Bringing together a diverse group of community leaders.*
- ♥ *Continually assessing the diverse needs of our community.*
- ♥ *Developing and distributing the available resources through organized community efforts.*
- ♥ *Maintaining responsible stewardship of the available resources.*
- ♥ *Improving communications to agencies and the community.*

### 2010 Volunteer Leadership

Governance is provided by a thirty member board of directors who are all local volunteers. These volunteers are responsible for setting policies, budget, and for overseeing the direction of United Way of Colquitt County.

Board members must possess the following key attributes: a passion for United Way's mission and vision, a commitment to invest time as an active member, an ability and desire to take a system-wide perspective and demonstrated commitment to his/her community. Our Board is comprised of diverse volunteers who are representative of donors (large and small), corporations and sponsors, educational institutions, civic leaders and other stakeholders.

### 2010 Executive Committee

Board President:	Barbara Jelks—Moultrie Technical College
Past President:	Sonya Aldridge—Colquitt EMC
Treasurer:	Bob Craft—Southwest Georgia Bank
Campaign Chair	Donna Lott—Southwest Georgia Bank
Executive Director	Angela Castellow

### 2010 Board of Directors

Gary Boley—Colquitt Regional Medical Center	April King—Commercial Banking Company	Amy Willis—Sunbelt Ag Expo
Sue Byrd—Moultrie Technical College	Darrell Phillips—Riverside Manufacturing Co.	Scotty Jarvis—Crystal Pharmacy
Robbie Clayton—Jeffords State Farm Ins.	Kay Powell—Abraham Baldwin Ag College	Bob Swadel—Retired Community
Marc DeMott—Ameris Bank	Elizabeth Strickland—Riverside Manufacturing	Alicia Waller—Medical Community
Claire Feazel—City of Moultrie	Luke Strong III—Luke Strong & Son Mortuary	John Gandy—Colony Bank
Marcus Wells—Moultrie Physical Therapy	Leigh Wallace—Moultrie Technical College	Virginia Hart—Ag Community
Cynthia Hernandez—Ellenton Health Clinic	Tavarez Holston—Moultrie Technical College	

## 2010 United Way Community Investment Funding

<b>Strengthening and Supporting Families</b>	<b>2010 Grant</b>	<b>Program</b>
Children ' s Cheer and Toy Shop	\$ 7,000	Provided toys for 2,167 children at Christmas
Colquitt Food Bank	\$ 4,000	Provided food for 674 families in need.
Colquitt County Red Cross	\$ 28,000	Provided disaster services to 300 people and health and safety services for 600 people in Colquitt County.
SW GA CAC Emergency Relief	\$ 45,000	Assistance to 252 families with utility payments and 40 families with rent/mortgage payments. Provided basic needs for families in serious financial stress.
Salvation Army	\$ 8,000	Assistance 286 individuals with utility, rent and medical assistance.
United Way Emergency Relief	\$ 2,870	Assistance to more than 50 individuals with medicine, bus tickets, gas, food, basic needs and donation to Dictionary Project for 3rd graders in Colquitt County.
<b>Helping Children and Youth Succeed</b>		
Colquitt County Arts Center	\$ 24,000	Served 40 adults Senior Adult painting, 135 students Summer Arts Camps, 465 children for Art in the Afternoon, 140 students drum line program, 6 students with scholarships and 170 in Children ' s theater.
Colquitt County 4-H	\$ 6,500	Served 813 youth in Colquitt County with 4-H program
Girl Scouts of Historic GA	\$ 2,000	Provided scouting program for 116 girls and 42 adults
Moultrie YMCA	\$ 52,000	Mentoring—300 children, Childcare assistance—20 children, Primetime afterschool assistance for 103 children
R. D. Smith Youth Center	\$ 9,000	Academic and character focused afterschool program for 240 children.
Suwannee River Boy Scout Council	\$ 2,000	Scouting program for 77 boys and 32 adult volunteers
SW GA CAC Summer Camp	\$ 2,500	Provided a summer camp experience for 13 children.
<b>Vulnerable and Aging Populations</b>		
Easter Seals/Colquitt Options	\$ 600	Recreation activities & YMCA memberships for 7 residents
Green Oaks Center	\$ 8,000	Provided Greenhouse for 110 clients to learn about working with plants and provide job skills.
Hero House/Children ' s Advocacy Center	\$ 12,000	Services to 74 families & children who were victims of abuse
Serenity House	\$ 20,000	Services to 220 victims of domestic violence
Special Olympics	\$ 3,000	Served more than 500 athletes—uniforms, equipment, travel, meals, and fees
<b>Promoting Self Sufficiency</b>		
Colquitt County Habitat for Humanity	\$ 9,000	Providing home ownership for 44 individuals in Colquitt Co.
Cross Roads Gospel Rescue Mission	\$ 21,600	Food, shelter and a new start for 96 homeless individuals
Hope House	\$ 10,500	Provided parenting classes & counseling for 208 mothers
Meals on Wheels	\$ 12,000	Provide delivered meals year round for 8 senior citizens
SW GA CAC Senior Nutrition	\$ 23,500	Provided daily congregate & delivered meals to 43 seniors
<b>Grand Total</b>		
	<b>\$ 313,070</b>	

## Additional 2010 accomplishments:

United Way partnered with SW GA Community action Council to provide the Fresh Start program utilizing \$55,225 of ARRA funds to assist 29 families with housing, electric and water assistance to prevent foreclosure and homelessness.

The United Way of Colquitt County manages the Tommy Bender fund which provides assistance to local Girl and Boy Scouts. In 2010 the Tommy Bender fund provided \$1000 to Boy Scout Troop #400 for assistance with Summer Camp fees.

United Way of Colquitt County provides Special Grants to agencies as funds are available. During 2010, \$5,927 provided a new Central heat and air system for the Cross Roads Mission Shelter as well as a camera for the Art Center and Pathways software for SW GA Community Action Council to handle the Fresh Start Program.

During 2010 United Way of Colquitt County provided \$1000 in disaster assistance to United Way Worldwide for recovery in Haiti. Also \$1000 to assist United Way of Bartholomew County in Columbus, Indiana after a fire that destroyed the facility where they and 29 other nonprofits were housed.

Dictionary Project—Annually United Way provides assistance to make possible the Dictionary Project which provides a Student Dictionary to every 3rd Grader in Colquitt County.

Loyal Contributor Event—April 29, 2010—United Way held a reception to recognize our Loyal Contributors—Donors who have given to United Way for 10 or more years. We appreciate their faithfulness and continue to identify donors who have given for 10+ and 25+ years.

Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program—United Way annually convenes the board, accepts applications and monitors and reports on the funding from this program. These funds are used for food, shelter, rent, utilities and other shelter items. In 2010 Colquitt County received \$26,050.

Strategic Planning to Community Impact—During 2010 the United Way board made the decision based upon the 2009 Self-Assessment required by United Way Worldwide to begin the development of a Community Impact proposal. A committee worked through this process during 2010 and the final plan will be completed in 2011 and announced to the community.

Day of Action was held September 29 where 60 volunteers worked at 7 agencies on projects of need. Children's Toy Shop, Colquitt County Arts Center, Green Oaks center, Hero House, Easter Seals/Colquitt Options, Cross Roads Mission and Serenity House all had volunteer teams to come and work at their agencies.

During the months of August through November the United Way office was privileged to have Carolyn Cook, from Experience Works to work in the office to help prepare for the campaign drive.

## Community Investment Committee

Each year the United Way board members serve on the community investment committees to determine the most effective allocation of the funds for 2011. Non board members assist with this process and represent a pool of donors from their respective companies. The board members and volunteers spent more than 200 volunteer hours during May and June meeting with partner agencies to determine the most effective allocation of funding for the 2011 campaign dollars. The committee allocated \$308,600 for 2011. The goal was set for \$420,000 to allow for shrinkage and management/general expenses.

**Community Investment Committee Chair: Bob Swadel**  
**Community Investment volunteers for 2011 Allocations**  
**All 2010 United way Board Members**

Amy Johnson, City of Moultrie  
Keith Brown, South GA Banking Co.

Karen Hiers, Turning Point Hospital  
Lori Jones, Social Security Admin.  
Monika Griner, Board of Education

Louvera Walden, Ameris Bank  
Danny Singley, SW GA Bank

## 2010 Campaign Cabinet for 2011 Funding

Campaign Chair—Donna Lott  
Campaign Co-Chair—Bob Swadel  
Agribusiness—Virginia Hart  
Attorneys—Ken Turnipseed  
CPA 's – Bill Tucker  
Medical—Alicia Waller  
Dental—John Lee Redding  
Insurance—Robbie Clayton  
Northwest—David Pittman  
Small Business—United Way Board  
Real Estate—Katrina Bivins  
Marketing—Nicole Gilbert  
DAY OF ACTION—Donna Lott

## 2010 Corporate Campaign Coordinators:

Pat Gay—Ameris Bank  
Jessica McGirt—City of Moultrie  
Sonya Aldridge—Colquitt EMC  
Kayla Purvis—DFCS  
Pete Dillard—Moultrie Manufacturing  
Laura Craft—Moultrie YMCA  
Darrell Phillips—Riverside Manu.  
Keith Brown—South GA Banking Co.  
Lori Jones—Social Security Admin  
Michelle Hamilton—Turning Pt Hospital  
Daryl Barron—Windstream  
Sandra Yeoman—Belk's  
Becky Rychener – Bd of Education  
April King—Commercial Banking Co.  
Tonya Roberts—Destiny Industries  
Barbara Jelks—MTC  
Elizabeth Chapman—McLean Engineer  
Keisly Exum—Sanderson Farms  
Bob Craft—Southwest GA Bank  
Dawn Blanton—Sunbelt Ag Expo  
Caroline Voyles—The Observer  
Bobby Johnson—USPS  
Alane Kadel—Bud K Worldwide  
Becky Perry—Bd of Commissioners  
Thomas Laseter—CRMC  
Traci Saunders—Green Oaks Center  
Donna Gamble—Moultrie Housing  
Janie Perales—National Beef  
Chris Eavenson—Sanderson Farms  
Denise Bell—SW GA C A C  
Danny Cook—Trawick Construction  
Connie Mercer—Wal-Mart

## 2010 Board of Education Campaign Coordinators:

Robbye Hodges—PEC  
Wendy Wheeler—CCHS  
Barbara Stone—CCHS  
Berri Tatum—WJWMS  
Sandra Evans—Okapilco  
Theresa Singletary—Hamilton  
Christy Hall—Doerun  
June Croft—Maintenance  
Lisa Brooks—CCHS  
Lee Bass—CCHS  
Patricia Akin—R. B. Wright  
Staci Cortez—Sunset Elementary  
Holly Faison—Odom  
Sharon Veasey—C. A. Gray Jr High  
Davis Tyler—Cox  
Dar Lange—Bus Shop  
Jennifer Alexander—CCHS  
Dana Newsome—CCHS  
Kim Ashley—R. B. Wright  
Jennifer Hull Thomas—Stringfellow  
Tami Tillman—Norman Park  
Debbie Herndon Taylor—Funston  
Jill Stanford—Central Office  
Carol Weldon—Gifted Center

## Donor Recognition -Top 25 Accounts These companies/divisions raised \$384,392.

- 1 ) Sanderson Farms
- 2 ) Southwest Georgia Bank
- 3 ) Colquitt Regional Medical Center
- 4 ) C. C. Board of Education
- 5 ) Riverside Manufacturing Co.
- 6 ) Dan Jeter
- 7 ) Small Business Group
- 8 ) National Beef
- 9 ) Ameris Bank
- 10 ) Turning Point Hospital
- 11 ) Jimmy Jeter
- 12 ) Moultrie Technical College
- 13 ) Moultrie YMCA
- 14 ) Attorney Division
- 15 ) SW GA Community Act Council
- 16 ) Retired Community
- 17 ) City of Moultrie
- 18 ) Bud K Worldwide
- 19 ) Northwest Community
- 20 ) Colquitt County Government
- 21 ) Medical Community
- 22 ) Moultrie Manufacturing
- 23 ) Agribusiness Division
- 24 ) Colquitt EMC
- 25 ) Destiny Industries

## The following companies/divisions contributed between \$500 and \$2200

- 1 ) Wal-Mart
- 2 ) Moultrie Stadium Cinema
- 3 ) Dentist Division
- 4 ) Insurance Division
- 5 ) Green Oaks Center
- 6 ) Windstream
- 7 ) Commercial Banking Company
- 8 ) Real Estate Division
- 9 ) South GA Banking Company
- 10 ) McLean Engineering
- 11 ) Dept. of Family & Children Serv.
- 12 ) CPA Division
- 13 ) Moultrie Housing Authority
- 14 ) Sunbelt Ag Expo
- 15 ) US Postal Service
- 16 ) Social Security Office
- 17 ) Lowe' s
- 18 ) Moultrie Observer

**THANK YOU**

**FOR GIVING. FOR ADVOCATING. FOR VOLUNTEERING.**