

The COMMUNITY IMPACT Process

1 Volunteers on Board

In the spring, United Way contacts new and returning community impact volunteers to assess interest in serving on one of seven allocation panels. Forecast requests from agencies are sent to each volunteer for their review.

2 Orientation Meeting

New volunteers are invited to a brief meeting to introduce the community impact process and to address any questions they may have. It is our goal to ensure that everyone works together and feels comfortable with the process.

3 Agency Program Reviews

In September, panel volunteers will attend presentations made by each agency, showcasing their organization and the work they do in the community. They may review facilities, learn about a new program or need, observe the funded program or meet with agency staff and volunteers.

4 Agency Budget Review

Panel members receive the agency funding requests in mid-October. Each member will be given two weeks to review the forms and identify potential questions. These questions will be shared with each agency in advance, to ensure they are adequately prepared to answer them completely.

5 Community Impact Conference

In November, panel volunteers meet with agency representatives for a formal program and funding request conference. After this meeting, the panel will make a funding recommendation to the United Way Community Impact Committee.

6 Program Funding

The committee meets to ensure that the allocated dollars match dollars raised in the campaign. Minor adjustments may be made before the final recommendation goes to the United Way Board in December for approval. Agency allocation award letters are mailed out the following day. Monthly fund distributions begin in January.

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