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Local Nonprofits to Benefit from United Way Campaign Surpassing \$1 Million for First Time Since 2018

CASPER, Wyo. — January 29, 2026 — Nearly 40 local nonprofit organizations across Natrona County will benefit from community investment funding made possible by United Way of Natrona County’s (UWNC) annual campaign, which surpassed \$1 million for the first time since 2018. The milestone reflects the generosity, resilience and dedication of a community committed to giving back and strengthening local impact.

Reaching the \$1 million mark is more than a financial milestone; it represents our community’s shared commitment to creating lasting change and improving the lives of families, friends and neighbors. Campaign funds support UWNC’s mission through strategic community investment, organizational sustainability and responsible stewardship.

“This moment is a testament to what’s possible when a community comes together with purpose,” said David Carpenter, President of the United Way of Natrona County Board of Directors. “Hitting the \$1 million mark for the first time in nearly a decade speaks volumes about the trust our donors place in United Way and their belief in the impact we can make together.”

With the campaign goal reached, the allocation process for these funds is already underway. Community partner CPAs are currently conducting independent financial reviews of grant applicants to ensure accountability, transparency and fiscal responsibility. Following this step, UWNC’s Community Investment Committee, composed of dedicated community volunteers and board members, will guide each funding application through a structured and rigorous evaluation process.

“Our responsibility doesn’t end with fundraising — it begins there,” Carpenter added. “This review process ensures donor dollars are invested wisely and strategically, supporting programs that truly move the needle without duplicating services. It’s how we honor the generosity of our donors and maximize impact across Natrona County.”

This comprehensive approach is designed to identify programs and initiatives that deliver the greatest impact, address pressing community needs and provide donors with confidence that their contributions are being put to the highest and best use across a range of human services.

The Board of Directors of United Way of Natrona County extends its sincere gratitude to every donor, volunteer, UWNC staff member and community partner who helped make this milestone possible and invites the community to continue building momentum toward an even stronger future.

Thanks to the generosity of our community, we’ve reached our campaign goal. Additional gifts give United Way of Natrona County the flexibility to respond to emerging needs and invest more deeply in programs that strengthen families and individuals across Natrona County. Community events such as UWNC’s Eat, Drink, & Be Caring in March are one way supporters can continue to build on this momentum.

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