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United Way of Natrona County to Continue Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Hilltop Bank funding keeps free books arriving for local children starting January 1, 2027

CASPER, Wyo. (November 16,2026): United Way of Natrona County will continue Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in Natrona County beginning January 1, 2027, thanks to funding from Hilltop Bank. The program mails a free, age-appropriate book each month to enrolled children from birth to age five, helping families read together and build a home library.

The Natrona County Collective Health Trust brought the Imagination Library to Natrona County children, and the Natrona County Library has been a valued partner in connecting families to the program. United Way is grateful for the foundation they built and proud to carry it forward.

"Early reading changes what's possible for a child. We're grateful to Hilltop Bank for stepping up so families across Natrona County don't miss a single book." said Annie Sorensen, Executive Director of United Way of Natrona County.

"Investing in our youngest readers is an investment in the future of our community. Hilltop Bank is proud to provide the funding to continue Dolly Parton's Imagination Library and support United Way of Natrona County as it carries this important program forward." – Darren Cantlay, President & CEO, Hilltop Bank

Early literacy is a core part of Youth Development, one of United Way's three impact areas. Children who are read to at home start school more ready to learn, and the Imagination Library puts that opportunity in reach for every family, at no cost.

Families currently enrolled will receive information about the transition in the coming weeks. Details on how new families can enroll will be shared soon. To learn more about the program, visit imaginationlibrary.com.

Businesses interested in helping sustain the Imagination Library for years to come can contact United Way of Natrona County at (307) 237-9367.

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About United Way of Natrona County

Founded in 1955, United Way of Natrona County unites our communities to drive positive change. United Way raises and invests local dollars, coordinates volunteers, and connects residents with resources across three impact areas: Basic Needs, Health and Wellness, and Youth Development.

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