

# United Way of Southern Chautauqua County

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## **United Way Campaign at 33%**

The 2011 United Way Campaign has raised \$430,000 so far this year, or 33% of the \$1.3 million goal.

Campaign Co-Chairs Lorraine Diggs and Tim Grace said they're pleased with the response so far, and they hope to keep the momentum going.

"During these economically challenging times, it's great to see so many people contributing this year," said Diggs. "We've seen our usual donors, but we've also welcomed some new donors as well. People are stepping up to the plate and giving for those who cannot give. That is truly neat to see."

Money raised through the annual campaign goes to support 17 partner agencies, and 44 programs in Southern Chautauqua County. From making sure a kid has a place to go after school, to making sure a senior has a hot meal, every penny that's donated stays right here in this community.

"We've hit the ground running, now we need to keep it going," said Co-Chair Tim Grace. "The needs for the services the United Way helps support, don't go away just because the economy goes south. This campaign is even more important this year, because so many people are hurting financially."

Grace also touted the efforts of the United Way volunteers. "We have an energetic and enthusiastic group of volunteers working on this campaign. They are the motor that keeps this engine running. Without their sacrifice, there's no way we could ever reach our goal. Their efforts are truly appreciated."

For more information about the 2011 United Way Campaign, you can call 483-1561, or log onto [www.uwayscc.org](http://www.uwayscc.org). You can also find us on Facebook at United Way of Southern Chautauqua County.

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