



Mission

The mission of United Community Services of Johnson County is to provide data analysis, lead collaborative planning and mobilize resources to enhance the availability and delivery of health and human services.

Vision

UCS' vision is that all people have the opportunity to fulfill their potential and contribute to the health and well-being of the community.

Budget Summary

Revenue

United Way	\$130,000
Govt. Contributions	356,690
Individ. & Corp. Cont.	30,500
Foundations Grants	210,000
Fund Interest	31,000*
Other	51,321
Total	\$809,511

Expenses

Personnel	\$533,857
Office Rent	52,500
Contract/Mgt. Servs.	122,500
Accounting/audit	30,000
All other	69,830
Total	\$808,687

Staff

Executive Director
Julie K. Brewer

Director of Community Planning
Rita Carr

Director of Resource Allocation
Christina Ashie Guidry

Director of Education & Planning
Kristy Baughman

Special Projects Manager
Kathryn Evans

Manager of Community Planning
Teresa Winfield

Administrative Coordinator
Cathy Goodwin

Education & Advocacy: Illuminating needs and solutions by providing information, trend analysis, and documentation to inform human service planning, and the policies and funding which affect them.

- Analyze census data and administrative records to monitor trends and document current and emerging human service issues.
- Educate about and advocate for public policy decisions to preserve and strengthen the safety net.
- As a member of United Way of Greater Kansas City's Impact 100 group, we document regional trends and assist UW in educating our community regarding health and human service issues.

Mobilizing & Planning: Fostering a framework for collaborations that lead to improvements in human services availability and delivery.

- Children's Coordinating Council:** Engage public school and human service personnel in dialogue and action to improve outcomes for at-risk children and their families.
- Continuum of Care on Homelessness:** Engage more than 50 representatives from human service organizations, local government, schools, and faith community to respond to homelessness and poverty.
- Drug and Alcoholism Council:** Facilitate 25-member community council to support an array of services to respond to substance abuse.
- Human Service Summit:** Annually, convene providers, advocates, and policy makers to consider collective actions to build a healthy community.
- Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Planning & Implementation Project:** Support implementation of a plan that coordinates best practices, protocols, and evaluation measures to ensure responsive and adequate delivery of services and supports for TAY.
- Johnson County Health Equity Network:** Build a network of health equity advocates to mitigate health inequity and improve health outcomes through collaboration. Current priority issues are safe, stable, attainable housing for all ages and stages of life and maternal and infant health outcomes.
- Racial Equity and Inclusion:** Our purpose is to support the integration of diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging into the core work of UCS.
- Community Connectedness:** An initiative to address how we build the connections to bridge divides and overcome challenges in Johnson County.
- Reduce Poverty and Create Opportunity:** Work in partnership with Johnson County Government to plan and implement action strategies focused on employment, early learning, housing, and the human service safety net.

Targeted Resource Allocation: Prioritizing community investments to support the work of local human service organizations.

- Homelessness:** Submit this community's annual grant application to HUD for homelessness and supportive services (HUD FY21 grant award \$888,125).
- Alcohol Tax Fund:** For 2022, oversee allocations of more than \$1.8 million from cities and County Government to 23 programs which provide substance abuse education, prevention, intervention, treatment, or recovery services. In 2021, more than 49,000 residents benefited from these programs.
- Human Service Fund:** For 2022, oversee allocations of more than \$410,000 from cities and County Government to 19 programs for safety net programs that meet the needs of low-income residents. In 2021 grantees provided over 158,000 units of service to more than 44,000 Johnson County residents.