

## Sample Messaging for Newsletters, Bulletin Boards, Screens, etc.

- United Way of Greater Stark County fights for the health, education and financial stability for every person in Stark County.
- With your gift, you help build a healthier community, help children succeed in school and help families become financially stable.
- When you give a gift to United Way of Greater Stark County, you are not supporting one cause or one agency. You are supporting a wide range of services helping people with a wide range of needs.
- Hundreds of trained volunteers make sure every United Way of Greater Stark County funded program is well-run, efficient and most importantly, gets results.
- United Way of Greater Stark County partners with 37 agencies to provide 68 programs, one collaborative and direct services.
- The people who benefit from United Way of Greater Stark County funded programs may be friends, neighbors, co-workers or even members of your family.
- The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA) completed more than 4,600 federal and state tax returns. As a result, over \$3.2 million was brought back in to Stark County through refunds, Earned Income Tax Credits and Additional Child Tax Credits.
- The fastest way to help someone in need is to have them call 2-1-1, the United Way of Greater Stark County's referral system. Trained service specialists can answer questions on where to go for specific needs. In 2017, 2-1-1 answered a total of 23,408 phone calls, live Chat sessions and emails from residents in Stark County. The top three basic needs are food, utility assistance and housing.
- United Way of Greater Stark County takes great pride & fiduciary responsibility in making sure their overhead costs stay at 14.1%. This is lower than other United Ways our size and lower than the industry standard.
- The estimated Return on Investment for every dollar given, \$1.86 is returned to the community.
- When you give a gift to United Way of Greater Stark County, you do the most good for the most people because
  United Way does what no one agency can do alone which is to get your dollars to where they are needed most.