

# WHAT YOUR DOLLARS CAN DO

Your gift, no matter what size, makes a difference. Plus, the dollars you donate to United Way's Community Impact Fund stay right here in our community. For the cost of everyday items and activities, you can provide urgent and life-changing resources that impact people throughout Mesa County.

**\$1**  
Per Pay Period

Can provide an emergency 3-day meal supply for a hungry family in Mesa County.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- Mesa County's median household income is \$12,000 lower than the state's median income.
- Approximately half of households with children younger than 18 are receiving SNAP benefits.

**\$5**  
Per Pay Period

Can provide four children a new book each month for a year, helping ensure they enter kindergarten ready to learn.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- Children not reading at grade level by 4th grade are more likely to drop out of high school.
- In Mesa County, only 34% of children (3-4 years) are enrolled in preschool.
- And, only 17% of adults (25+ years) have a bachelor's degree.

**\$10**  
Per Pay Period

Can prevent a low-income family in Mesa County from losing their home due to eviction and assist them in becoming financially self-reliant.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- 55% of households in Mesa County pay 30% or more of their income on rent.
- 20% of people who are homeless are younger than 18.
- 10% of people who are homeless are veterans.

**\$20**  
Per Pay Period

Can provide nine counseling sessions to a child victim of sexual assault in Mesa County, reducing trauma, promoting dignity, justice and healing.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- In Mesa County, 17 per 1,000 children (younger than 18 years) experience abuse or neglect.
- Use of mental health crisis services have doubled in the past two years.