PARISHES SERVED BY UNITED WAY NELA:
Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union, and West Carroll
COVID-19 Response

United Way of Northeast Louisiana’s work is more necessary than ever because of recent disasters. So many in our community have been financially impacted. But we can make a difference.

**United Way NELA is committed to helping those impacted by COVID-19**

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**Fuel the Fight**
6,713 Meals Provided

Entergy Louisiana and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana Foundation each contributed $50,000 for meals provided from local restaurants to frontline COVID-19 healthcare workers at Monroe & West Monroe’s three hospitals.

**Food for Our Friends**

Food for 2,876 Individuals
From 840 Households

Food for Our Friends: Provided food assistance for hard-working employees from 197 workplaces in our 12 parishes. These employees experienced income reduction or loss due to COVID-19.

**Louisiana 211 Statewide Response**

- 118,262 Louisiana Calls
  - seeking info on COVID-19 as of 8/20/20

- 39,075+ Texted LACovid
  - to receive links to resources and information

- 47,490 Mobile Users
  - have used the GETSNAP keyword

**COVID-19 Continuing Recovery Efforts**

- Food Assistance for Alice
- Rent & Mortgage Assistance for Alice
TORNADO RESPONSE

ON APRIL 12TH, OVER 500 HOUSEHOLDS WERE AFFECTED BY A TORNADO THAT CAUSED SIGNIFICANT AND DEVASTATING DAMAGE IN OUACHITA PARISH.

UWNELA TORNADO RELIEF FUND

$123,020.00 TOTAL RAISED

as of 8/20/20

EMERGENCY SHELTERING

FOR OVER 700 INDIVIDUALS

since 4/12/20

FROM 246 HOUSEHOLDS

since 4/12/20

Since April 12th, United Way NELA 211 has been able to work with local officials to place individuals and households into emergency sheltering.

HELP FOR OUR NEIGHBORS: TORNADO RESOURCES

Public collection of resources and information for those suffering damage

OUACHITA TORNADO LONG-TERM RECOVERY GROUP

FOR OVER 150 INDIVIDUALS

as of 8/20/20

FROM 43 HOUSEHOLDS

as of 8/20/20

OTLTRG is a partnership with volunteers from local government, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and businesses, with the mission to work together to help the most vulnerable in our community achieve a level of pre-disaster stability, or a new normal. These individuals and families have been assisted with rent/mortgage, utilities, construction, and/or furniture assistance.

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United Way NELA 211, a free, confidential service of United Way of Northeast Louisiana, is your Convenient, Community Connection to information and resources.

United Way NELA 211’s trained, experienced staff are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year... even holidays!

**CALL** 211 from any landline or mobile phone 24/7, or **TEXT** your zip code to 898-211 Monday - Friday from 8am - 5pm and receive:

**SERVICE PROVIDERS**
Phone numbers, addresses, hours of operation, etc.

**REFERRALS**
Assess your needs to connect you to appropriate, available services and service providers

**ADVOCACY**
Communicate on behalf of callers to ensure that they receive services.

**CRISIS**
Help deescalate crisis situations and provide connections to crisis counselors.

**TRANSLATION**
Help non-English speakers in more than 150 languages using phone translators.

**UNITED WAY NELA 211 IS NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER.**

**KINSHIP CAREGIVERS**
Dial 211 or text KINSHIPLA to 898-211.

United Way NELA 211 has partnered with Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services on a new way for kinship caregivers to find resources in their communities.

**65,000**
Louisiana Children Live With Relatives Other Than Their Parents

**Call Volume January-June 2019 vs. 2020**

**COVID-19 INFORMATION**

**HOUSING AND SHELTER**

**FOOD**

**UTILITIES**

ABOUT UNITED WAY OF NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

United Way of Northeast Louisiana fights for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in our community.

Our agenda is the community’s agenda—we stand with the residents, business leaders, and policymakers to take action together and strategically invest in making a meaningful difference in the lives of people in northeast Louisiana.

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

1. Individuals and families have adequate and sustainable resources to support their needs
   - Vulnerable populations maximize their ability to live with independence and dignity

2. Individuals and families have the skills, knowledge, relationships and economic pathways they need to effectively increase and manage their income
   - People/organizations continue to work together to support a thriving, prosperous, robust economy

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND YOUNG ADULTS SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL AND LIFE

1. Children enter school ready
   - Youth gain the knowledge, skills and credentials so that they are prepared for the workforce and able to obtain family sustaining employment

2. Students are successful in elementary school and prepared for middle/secondary school

HEALTHY AND SAFE INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITY

1. Families/Individuals live in a healthy and safe environment
   - People/organizations work together to strengthen and build a more inclusive community

2. Individuals and families have adequate and sustainable resources to support their needs

3. Individuals and families have the skills, knowledge, relationships and economic pathways they need to effectively increase and manage their income

4. People/organizations continue to work together to support a thriving, prosperous, robust economy
We facilitate and implement change with the help of our donors, grants, and community partners. Here’s how United Way of Northeast Louisiana led the fight for our community in 2019.

WHAT WE’VE DONE

Sustainable employment is the best pathway out of poverty. That’s why education has been and will continue to be our best investment into the future of our community. It will be a lifeline for families struggling to keep their jobs.

Today, families are struggling to have their most basic needs met. They find themselves without jobs and standing in long lines just to get a bag of food. Their financial stability needs are overwhelming, and United Way of Northeast Louisiana will be there—just like we’ve been in the past.

COVID-19 has impacted our community in significant ways. Before, our community faced significant health disparities, particularly among vulnerable populations like older adults and those with mental health issues. Now these populations are even more in need.

**EDUCATION**

$500,000+ INVESTED

**FOOD SECURITY**

$406,000 INVESTED

**HOUSING STABILITY**

$878,000 INVESTED

**HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**

$825,029 INVESTED