



United Way
of Northeast Louisiana



COMMUNITY ASPIRATIONS

Children, Youth and
Young Adults
Successful in School
and Life

Economic
Opportunity for All

Healthy and Safe
Individuals, Families
and Community

GOALS

1. Children enter school ready

- Promote social, emotional, cognitive, and physical readiness of children entering the educational system.
- Increase access to affordable, high quality early childhood development options.
- Equip families with the knowledge and skills to support child development.

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

- Provide support to students struggling with reading, math and technology.
- Improve access to out- of- school care and educational programs.
- Ensure families are equipped to support student success

3. Youth gain the knowledge , skills and credentials so that they are prepared for the workforce and able to obtain family sustaining employment

- Increase students' interest in school by helping them develop career interest and understand the post high school training requirements.
- Improve on-time secondary school graduation rate.
- Support evidence-based workforce readiness training program for youth ages 16-24.
- Provide support for disconnected youth and young adults.
- Engage and empower families to promote student success.

GOALS

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

- Provide support for the whole continuum of housing from the chronically homeless to working with families to satisfy all household needs.
- Households have access to affordable transportation that enables and empowers them to achieve their financial stability goals.

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

- Help individuals have the knowledge, skills and support to make choices that increase their financial stability and advance their economic mobility.
- Collaborate to support job training opportunities, including vocational education apprenticeships, on-the-job training and certification.

3. Vulnerable populations maximize their ability to live with independence and dignity

- Provide supportive services to ensure adults can live Independently to the extent possible.

4. People/organizations continue to work together to support a thriving, prosperous, robust economy

- Support and engage in the continuing Community Conversations with business, governmental and community members on economic development opportunities.

GOALS

1. Families/Individuals live in a healthy and safe environment

- Improve healthy lifestyles through affordable programs aimed at improving nutrition and physical activity.
- Increase resources available for families/ individual's mental health and substance abuse needs, assessments and interventions.
- Collaborate to address gaps and improve access to necessary health care services.
- Decrease violence, neglect, abuse through prevention, awareness, and support programs.
- Enhance and increase safe places to exercise and play in neighborhoods.

2. People/organizations work together to strengthen and build a more inclusive community

- Engage Community Conversations.
- Lead or support collective impact initiatives.
- Increase corporate and individual volunteer engagement

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