



United Way
Saint John, Kings
& Charlotte

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Stories that **Unite** us.

Thanks to you, more than \$1 million flows to organizations in need

At the United Way, we are immensely grateful to our community for their generous donations. Because our donors have risen to the challenge, we are able to invest in programs that are so critical for our region's most vulnerable citizens.



Even during the trying times we face with the COVID-19 pandemic – and sometimes because of it – our donors have stepped up.

In 2021, this will allow us to give more than \$1 million to 19 charities in Saint John, Kings and Charlotte counties so they can continue their essential work – helping lift our citizens out of poverty, breaking the vicious cycle of domestic violence, helping children and youth reach their full potential, and so much more.

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Alshaimaa's story: A new life, a new path

As a new immigrant to Canada from Egypt, I wasn't sure I would find a job in my field. There's so much to learn when it comes to the language and culture of a new country.

When I first moved to Saint John, I felt that my English wasn't good. I had trouble speaking about my feelings because we don't learn how to express ourselves in this way in Egypt. At times, it was hard.

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'Thank you hardly feels like it is enough'

Thank you hardly feels like it is enough to express our gratitude! Before this spring, we always had the issue of transportation at the front of our minds. We know many continue to struggle with transportation, but our clients no longer have the issue of not accessing food because of it! Thank you for giving us that piece of mind in knowing we can always make it work! Thank you Dial A Ride and your Volunteers! St. George & Area FoodBank

The note is simple but touching, genuine and sincere.

"Thank you hardly feels like it is enough to express our gratitude," Sarah Norman of the St. George and Area Food Bank wrote. "Thank you for giving us that piece of mind...."

Sarah and others at the food bank fretted about so many of their clients who had no car to get there to pick up the groceries that they needed just to put food on the table for their families.

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#UNIGNORABLE FACT

A significant number of single-parent families in the area live in poverty — 50 per cent in Saint John and 41 per cent in Charlotte County.



#LOVELOCAL FACT



65 per cent of women who set employment as a goal were working within six months of taking PowerUp, a program of the Saint John Women's Empowerment Network.



Compassion in the face of great uncertainty

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit and pushed us into lockdown last March, all 11 United Ways across Atlantic Canada mobilized to raise funds to meet sudden and basic needs in our communities, establishing the Atlantic Compassion Fund.

The generosity was immediate. Atlantic Business Interiors was the founding donor of the ACF, matching the first \$100,000 in donations across Atlantic Canada, and thoughtful organizations and citizens across all four provinces stepped up.

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