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United Way Hosting Summer Lead & Learn Program

HAGERSTOWN, MD (February 27, 2015) — United Way of Washington County is launching a Summer Lead & Learn Program for Washington County youth ages 12-15.

This program will include three two-week sessions. Each session will run from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. Participants will be provided experiential and educational opportunities in community building and social responsibility, leadership exercises and recreational activities. Each unique session will provide new experiences. Cost per student per session is \$300.00. Participants may attend one or more of the sessions.

Participants will be provided the opportunity to do hands-on service projects at local non-profit agencies, and hear from guest speakers and leaders in the community. Through this program, they will begin to become equipped with the tools and skills they need to become successful leaders. They will learn about the education, income, and health needs in the community and what activities and solutions are in place addressing these needs. Building leaders is essential to a strong community and through this program, United Way of Washington County hopes to prepare youth for a better, brighter future.

United Way is partnering with many individuals, organizations and health and human service agencies to provide a fulfilling summer experience. Dr. Tara L. Sargent, Executive Director, Leadership Washington County said, "The learning experiences being planned for the program will allow the participants to gain increased self-awareness and acquire an understanding about what it truly means to be an engaged community member. In short, these young people will discover that their voice matters and how to make a difference."

Please review program information online at www.unitedwaywashcounty.org and sign up at your earliest convenience to ensure your child's spot in this unique and engaging Summer Lead & Learn program.

What: United Way of Washington County Summer Lead & Learn Program
Program Days: Monday thru Friday 8 AM – 5 PM
Sessions: Session 1 (June 15 – June 26, 2015)
Session 2 (July 6 – July 17, 2015)
Session 3 (July 20 – July 31, 2015)
Where: United Way of Washington County, 33 W. Franklin St. Suite 203, Hagerstown, MD 21740 and various Washington County locations.
Questions: Contact Jenn Marlatt, (301) 739-8200 x 10
Register Online at: www.unitedwaywashcounty.org

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The mission of United Way is: "Through strategic leadership and investments, United Way of Washington County will impact community improvement and inspire collaborations to address critical needs in education, income and health." United Way of Washington County is located at 33 West Franklin Street, Suite 203 in Hagerstown, MD. For more information or to make a donation please call 301-739-8200 or visit our website at www.unitedwaywashcounty.org.