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### Fall Calendar Busy with United Way Campaign & Day of Caring

HAGERSTOWN, MD (September 21, 2015) — Campaign is underway and the official Kick Off event is this Friday, September 25, 2015. United Way of Washington County will then host the 24th annual Day of Caring on October 8, 2015.

The Kick Off event is a public event where the campaign goal is announced and companies that completed their campaigns over the summer present their results. This is a time for individuals involved or interested in United Way to come together to raise awareness of the campaign and the resulting impact it has on our community. The event is 5-6:30 PM Friday, September 25, 2015 at Bulls & Bears. *We are looking forward to seeing those who have already RSVP'd as we have maxed our capacity.*

Day of Caring, in its 24<sup>th</sup> year is still recruiting volunteers for the October 8<sup>th</sup> event that mobilizes volunteers to work on a variety of service projects at local nonprofit organizations and homes of the elderly and/or disabled. There are more than 80 projects at local agencies and 14 home projects that will improve the safety of homes of the elderly and/or disabled homeowners.

Three activities in addition to the Day of Caring projects include: a **Book Drive, Personal Caring Drive, and Community Health Fair**. Visit [www.unitedwaywashcounty.org](http://www.unitedwaywashcounty.org) to see what items and books are needed and find collection sites. United Way is partnering with Community Rescue Services, and Family Health Care of Hagerstown (formerly Walnut Street Community Health Center) to sponsor a **Community Health Fair** at 201 S. Cleveland Ave from 3 to 7 PM. The fair is open to the public.

The community is better for the generosity of many individuals and companies. Here is the most recent list of companies and organizations that have a team participating in Day of Caring: Hub Labels Inc, Columbia Gas of Maryland, Kaplan University, City of Hagerstown, The Columbia Bank - Hagerstown Trust Division, M & T Bank, Reach of Washington County, Volvo Group Trucks, Albright Crumbacker Moul & Itell, Antietam Academy, First Data, Ellsworth Electric, Inc., Smith Elliott Kearns and Company, LLC, Bank of America Merchant Services, Citi, Triad Engineering, Inc., Potomac Edison, Hagerstown Housing Authority, Farmer's Insurance, LaFarge Holcim, Otterbein United Methodist Church, Maryland Correctional Institution – Hagerstown, Maryland Correctional Training Center, My Bank First United, Courtyard & SpringHill Suites by Marriott, Susquehanna Bank, Washington County Government, Millennium 3 Energy, St. Maria Goretti High School, Staples, and Wright Gardner Insurance.

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](http://www.unitedwaywashcounty.org).

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