

Basic NeedsProviding access to the basic needs of life.Problem Statement:A high number of Washington County residents are poor or working poor (40%)* and should be provided access to critical assistance and support to overcome barriers.Goal Statement:United Way will invest Community Impact Funds to support solutions that will overcome barriers and provide basic needs supporting activities of daily living. This may include: food, housing assistance, clothing and access to health care.	
 Strategies: 1. Collaborations providing residents access to necessary and critical supports to live. 2. Collaborations providing residents access to living essentials. 3. Collaborations that include a shared, managed, information system. 4. Referrals to appropriate Education, Income, Health programs. 	 Performance Measures: # of unduplicated individuals served # of duplicated individuals served # of items distributed # of residents receiving basic needs # of children and youth receiving food # of referrals to appropriate Education, Financial Stability, or Health programs. # of individuals experiencing improved situations based on: Six months positive employment status One year with no further requests for crisis assistance (i.e., utility termination, first month's rent, security deposit, etc.)

*As defined by the Asset Limited Income Constrained (ALICE) data for Washington County, MD