

2,000 Backpacks Filled for Local Students



Thanks to the **generous contributions** of area businesses, libraries, churches, nonprofits, and various civic & community organizations 2,000 students received new backpacks and school supplies!

Bookbags were distributed to our **Partner Agencies** including, American Red Cross, Big Impact Group, Child Development, Inc., Nurse-Family Partnership, Salvation Army - Pottsville Corps, SARCC, Schuylkill County Society for Pediatric Orthopedics, Schuylkill YMCA, and Schuylkill Wellness Services. **In addition**, 21 schools and 5 local organizations that serve children also received backpacks due to the outpouring of support.

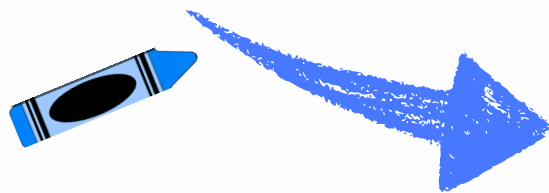
None of this would be possible without the **110 volunteers** who set up, unpacked, organized, filled the backpacks, and cleaned up! We appreciate your time & effort and know the families do too!





Thank You

to all who hosted a
Stuff the Bus donation box
for an internal drive!



Thank You

to all who hosted a
Stuff the Bus donation box
for the public!



- Artists in Motion
- Ashland Public Library
- Broad Mountain Health & Rehabilitation Home
- CACL
- Fairlane Village Mall
- First Citizens Community Bank
- Fulton Bank Pine Grove
- Geisinger St. Luke's Hospital
- Hidden River Credit Union
- Hope & Coffee Tamaqua
- Lifelong Learning Center
- M&T Bank
- Mauch Chunk Trust
- Mid Penn Bank
- Northeast Edge Associates
- Orwigsburg Public library
- Pine Grove Pharmacy
- Pottsville Area Public Library
- Port Carbon Public Library
- Pressed Coffee & Books
- The Primary Health Network
- Salvation Army - Pottsville Corps
- Schuylkill County Treasurer's Office
- Schuylkill Haven Area Public Library
- Shenandoah Public Library
- St. Luke's Hospital Miners Campus
- Schuylkill YMCA
- Truist Bank
- Wells Fargo



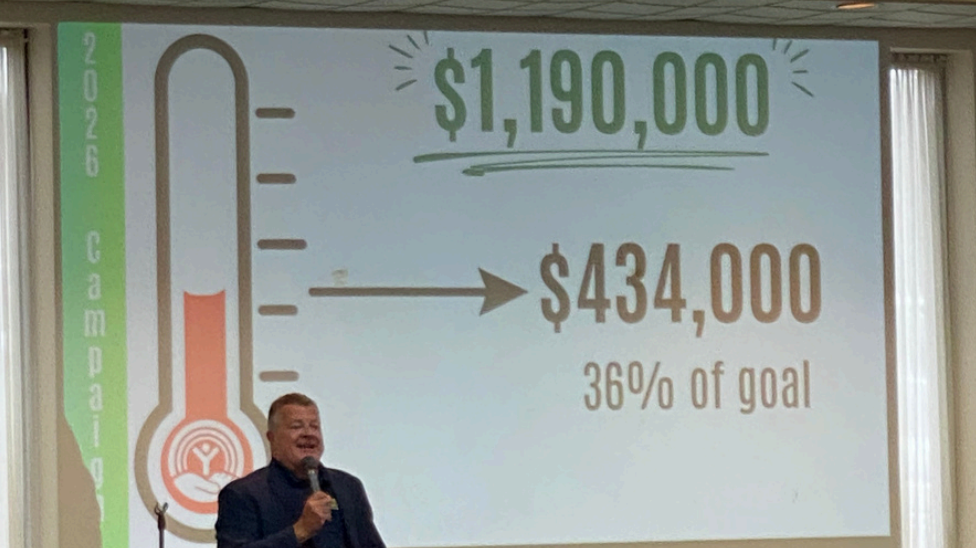
Special thanks to
Pastor Dave & the team at
Life Centre Foursquare Church
for again allowing us the use
of your gymnasium for
Stuff the Bus.

It is very much appreciated!



- Access Services
- Amazon - Bethel, PA
- Amazon - Frailey Twp., PA
- Eastern Schuylkill Democratic Club
- The Evans Network of Companies
- Frackville Senior Center
- Geisinger/St. Luke's Hospital
- Hexcel
- Holy Ascension Orthodox Church
- Honeywell
- Hydro
- Lehigh Valley Hospital-Schuylkill
- MAE-Eitel, Inc.
- Mrs. T's Pierogies
- Providence Place (Pine Grove)
- REMAX
- SAKS Fifth Avenue
- Schuylkill IU #29
- St. John's Church in Auburn
- St. Luke's Hospital - Miners Campus
- Shalmet
- Solar Innovations
- TE Connectivity
- Trinity Lutheran Church





Breakfast & H.O.P.E.

On Friday, September 5, Schuylkill United Way officially launched their 2026 Campaign, and also began celebrating their 90th year of service in the county. *Because the money raised funds some of the services and programs of their 15 Partner Agencies in 2026*, the SUW Board of Directors kept with the theme, announcing the campaign goal of \$1,190,000.

A **special video of photos spanning from 1936 to present** was shown to the record setting 150 attendees, as was this year's campaign video featuring all of our Partner Agencies



on location at the Tamaqua Train Station. You can see both videos on **our new website** (which also debuted at the breakfast!) at www.schuylkillunitedway.org/campaign.

SUW Board President, John Gleisner recognized the **decades of dedication held by the Chief Professional Officers of SUW Partner Agencies**. Plaques were given to six executive directors marking over 20 years in their position. Hitting 30 years in 2025 were Mr. Doug Allen of Big Impact Group of Schuylkill County, Ms. Carolyn Bazik of Schuylkill Wellness Services, and Mr. Peter Keitsock of Avenues (formerly United Cerebral Palsy). Awards were also given to Ms. Mary Ann Devlin of Child Development, Inc. with 22 years, Ms. Samantha Gibbons of Tamaqua Area Meals on Wheels with 24 years, and Ms. Sharon Kimmel of the Schuylkill County Society for Pediatric Orthopedics with 26 years.

"Food is love!" declared SUW 2026 Campaign Chair Mr. Chris Dende as he announced a new initiative involving local restaurants and dining establishments. The first **"United We Dine Week"** ran September 5 - 14 and included 17 locations across Schuylkill County. The entity that brings in the most donations will be recognized at our annual Appreciation Breakfast on Friday, November 14 at St. Nick's Hall in Primrose.

Also happening at our annual Appreciation Breakfast will be the drawing of winners for the campaign prizes. *A total of \$36,100 in prizes are generously donated by local businesses to support the work of SUW and its Partner Agencies.*

SUW Executive Director, Kelly K. Malone stated, "It's great to be able to look back, and reminisce, but we are also very much about looking forward." She encouraged everyone to have their pledge cards and prize stubs to the SUW office by Noon on Wednesday, November 12th in order to be eligible for the drawing and chance to win the grand prize - a 2025 Chevrolet Trailblazer AWD LS valued at \$28,000!

If you'd like to schedule a presentation at your workplace, please contact our Director of Community Engagement, Mike Joyce at mjoyce@schuylkillunitedway.org or (570) 622-6421.



We appreciate everyone who supported our first United We Dine Week!

We are especially grateful to all of the establishments that participated: Black Rock Brewing, Cellar Beast Winery, Eagle Tavern, Farlow's, Hope & Coffee, Jack's Spot, Main Street Moonshine, Pottsville Pizzeria, Pressed Coffee & Books, Rita's Italian Ice, Roma Pizzeria & Restaurant, Sughr & Company, The Beacon Diner, The Chopping Block, Vito's Coal Fired Pizza & Restaurant, Yocko's Mexican Steakhouse.





A beautiful day supporting SUW on the golf course!

The sun was shining on Friday, September 26 for our 20th annual Fall Golf Outing at Mountain Valley Golf Course. Big thanks to all the golfers and volunteers that made this a successful day for Schuylkill United Way and our Partner Agencies.

Together, we raised \$5,000!

Of course, special thanks to our Supreme Commanders who have orchestrated our golf tournaments all 20 years, Charles Ladd, IV and Chris Cohoon!

Congratulations to our Fall Golf Outing Winners!



Flight 1 Winners:

(Not pictured)

Connor Bowman
Francis Bowman
Jason Hartz
Matt Sullivan

Flight 2 Winners:

Pooch Puchalski,
Andy Ryan,
Pat Malloy &
Craig Kieser



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OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

The Schuylkill United Way is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant to work in our busy Pottsville office assisting with all initiatives and programs that the Schuylkill United Way does. It is a very dynamic position that requires the ability to prioritize as well as to multitask.

Responsibilities will include:

- some financial work
- marketing assistance
- standard office work
- and more

This person will assist the Executive Director, Director of Community Engagement and Director of Marketing and Programs with the annual campaign, annual report and quarterly newsletters, annual programs, monthly reports, plus weekly and daily communications.

We do critical and life-changing work for our Partner Agencies as well as the Schuylkill County community, and we have fun!

Candidates will have:

- High school diploma or G.E.D. required.
 - B.S. or B.A. degree preferably in Business, Communications, or related field is a plus.
- Strong organizational skills are mandatory!
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Office and various social media platforms preferred.
- Non-profit working experience a plus but not required.

If you are interested in finding out more, please email Director of Community Engagement Mike Joyce at mjoyce@schuylkillunitedway.org.

The Schuylkill United Way is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Campaign Prizes

Grand Prize (\$28,000 value):
2025 Chevrolet Trailblazer AWD LS
courtesy of Bob Weaver Auto.



**I GAVE TO
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Schuylkill United Way
AND I WON A
NEW CAR!**

Vehicle Sponsored by:

**Bob Weaver Auto
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Williamson, Friedberg, & Jones, LLC**

Schuylkill United Way



Gift Cards for:

\$1,500
\$1,000
\$750
\$500
\$250



\$1,600 Vacation Package



**\$1,500 Husquvarna
Snowblower**



Hadesty's ACE

\$500 Weber Gas Grill



Hydro

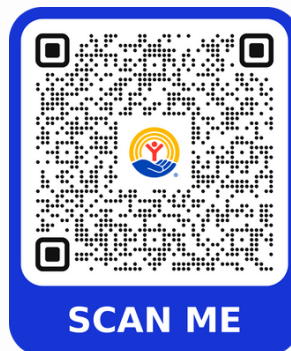
\$500 iPad



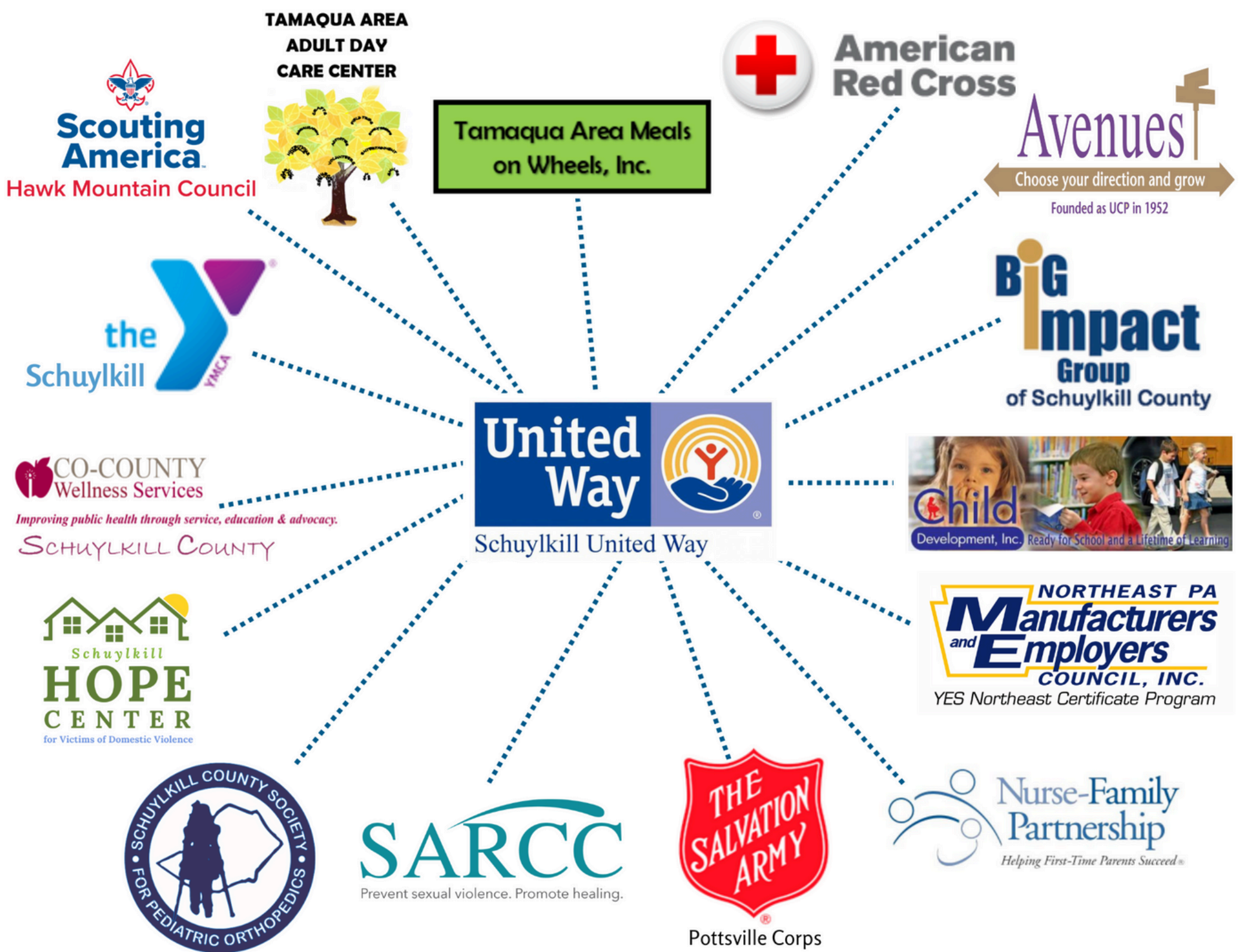
**THANK
YOU**

to the generous
companies who
donated all of our
campaign prizes!

Don't forget your
stubs are due
to the SUW office by
Wed. Nov. 12
at Noon!



Scan the QR code
to download your
SUW Pledge Card
today!



American Red Cross
610-375-4383

Avenues (Founded as UCP in 1952)
570-622-7920

Big Impact Group of Schuylkill County
570-622-0174

Child Development, Inc.
570-544-8959

NEPA Manufacturers & Employers Council,
YES Northeast Certificate Program
570-622-0940

Nurse-Family Partnership of Schuylkill Co.
484-772-2360

The Salvation Army/Pottsville Corps
570-622-5252

SARCC (Sexual Assault Resource & Counseling Center)
Office & 24/7 Hotline: 570-628-2965

Schuylkill County Society for Pediatric Orthopedics
570-622-7170

Schuylkill Hope Center for Victims of Domestic Violence
Office: 570-622-3991 *24/7 Hotline: 570-622-6220

Schuylkill Wellness Services
570-622-3980

Schuylkill YMCA
570-622-7850

Scouting America, Hawk Mtn. Council
610-926-3406

Tamaqua Area Adult Day Care Center
570-668-6556

Tamaqua Area Meals on Wheels
570-449-8271





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SUW Appreciation Breakfast

Friday, November 14
St. Nick's Hall in Primrose
Breakfast served at 8:15am.
Program begins at 8:30am.



Scan the QR code to register, or contact
Mike Joyce at (570) 622-6421 or
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