OUR SIGNATURE EVENTS:
- Point in Time Count - (Homeless Census) January
- A Chocolate Affair - (Auction Fundraiser) March
- VITA Services - Tax Season
- Tacos and Taxes Day - April
- Annual Professional Development Conference for Nonprofits - May
- Day of Action - June
- Teddy Bear Toss - (Condors Game) November
- Circle of Friends - (Volunteer/Donor Recognition) December
- Born Learning Trail - Throughout the year

The Power of Support
The impact of our community of donors grows stronger with each gift. From the employee who gives through payroll deduction to our top corporate donors, every investment increases the power to make a difference and improve the lives of Kern County families.

The Power of Engaging
Your voice strengthens our community. Together our efforts will improve the system that shapes and impacts family financial stability, health and early childhood development.

The Power of Living United
Our community of volunteers includes readers, budget counselors, tax preparers, census takers and others who give freely of their time and talents. Volunteer opportunities with us are available for individuals or corporate teams.

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“We fight for the Health, Education and Financial Stability of every person in our community.”

Education begins at home before school starts. To stimulate a love of learning from ages newborn to six we send parents home from the hospital with Born Learning® parenting packages and supply local preschools with books. We have distributed over 15,000 books through our community engagement.

**Engaging Activities**
- Born Learning® Initiative
  - Book of the Month Club
  - New Parent Tool Kits
  - Home Library
  - Born Learning Trails
- Raising A Reader Program
- Special Events to promote literacy
- Read Across America Day

**Family Life Education**

With the partnership of Bakersfield City School District, we provide Family Life Education to middle schools within the District. Over 7,000 kids receive comprehensive Sexual Health Education and HIV prevention education from our trained instructors, utilizing Positive Prevention Plus evidence-based curriculum that complies with the California Healthy Youth Act.

“Children who read proficiently by the 3rd grade are more likely to succeed in school & life.”

**INCOME**

Home of the Kern VITA Partnership

(Volunteer Income Tax Assistance)

Our dedicated VITA volunteers help hard working Kern County families file their tax returns for free. Last year we were able to help nearly 3,000 families and bring back over $4 million into our community.

“ It’s your money. Get it.”

**Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP)**

We are the fiscal agent and administrator of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program. EFSP distributes funding to nonprofit organizations serving those who are hungry, homeless, or at risk for homelessness. EFSP provides one-time emergency assistance with food, utilities, rent/mortgage payments and supports local shelters.

**HEALTH**

We work as the fiscal agent for the Kern County Homeless Collaborative and our role is to serve as the backbone organization. We submit an estimated $5.5 million Continuum of Care (CoC) grant application through the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and provide administrative support. UWKC serves as the Administrative Entity of the CESH and HEAP funding projects of $3.8 million to assist in ending homelessness and other housing needs.

**Kern Coalition Against Human Trafficking (KCAHT)**

We serve as the fiscal agent of KCAHT which was created to provide services to victims of human trafficking. They facilitate a comprehensive approach to combat human trafficking in Kern County through prevention, protection and prosecution.

United Way of Kern County has partnered with FamilyWize for decades. With a FamilyWize card, anyone who has no prescription drug coverage can immediately reduce the cost of their medicine. With no usage limits, income requirements, registration forms or age limits you can start saving now!