

**United Way of
Benton and Franklin Counties**

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July 2009

United Way Meets All Certification Standards

United Way of Benton and Franklin Counties has again achieved all the United Way Worldwide membership requirements for affiliation with the global group. John Inman, Chair of the Board, announced that the local United Way met or exceeded all standards of operations and business set by the membership organization.

"Our United Way has a long history of compliance with these standards. Continuous attainment of these membership standards are critical accomplishments for demonstrating the accountability and integrity of this organization," stated Inman. "It also represents our community's trust, confidence and support we deeply value, which in-turn energizes us everyday in our effort to improve the lives of thousands of people in Benton and Franklin Counties," added Inman.

The certification mandates completion of 13 requirements and 44 indicators to qualify for United Way Worldwide membership. These requirements include rigorous standards in auditing, ethics, governance, tax-exempt status, diversity, reporting and trademark usage.

On the Calendar

Campaign Coordinators' Conference
United Way
Tue., August 18, 2009
12:00-4:00 p.m.

11th Annual Energy Solutions United Way Golf Tournament
Canyon Lakes
Thur., Sept. 3, 2009
1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start

2009 United Way Campaign Kickoff Breakfast
Wed., Sept. 9, 2009
7:30-9:00 a.m.

"We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give."

- Winston Churchill

United Way is creating opportunities by focusing on the building blocks for a good life:

Education, Health, Safety and Self-Sufficiency



Featured United Way Service Provider:



The Neurological Resource Center:

The Neurological Resource Center's series "Healthy Brain, Healthy Life" is a United Way Community Solutions funded program that provides strategies to maintain and improve brain health and to prevent brain injuries. One recent presentation in the series had more than 700 attendees. On June 5, Jill Bolte Taylor, Ph.D., presented "How To Get Your Brain To Do What You Want It To Do". Dr. Taylor enthusiastically imparted her knowledge of the brain and shared strategies to include: getting adequate sleep, exercising different parts of the brain to create new circuitry, utilizing both sides of the brain for optimum performance, and practicing



Vintner Appreciation Reception

The 20th Annual Vintner Appreciation Reception, hosted by Energy Solutions, was held on Wednesday, June 24th at Anthony's Banquet and Event Center. More than 150 people attended the event, the purpose of which was to celebrate individuals or couples who contributed \$1,000 or more annually, and who collectively contributed \$2.1 million to the community through United Way.

gratitude. Three out of four attendees had not previously attended a TNRC event. This was a great opportunity for them to learn about our ongoing services. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive. One educator wrote, "This program has lots to offer educators...helped me to understand the teenage brain more". Another attendee wrote, "Thank you, thank you, thank you for doing this!"

For a complete list of United Way funded services and providers, please visit www.unitedway-bfco.com and click on the "2009 Funded Programs" button.

Register Now for the 2009 Campaign Coordinators' Conference

The 2009 Campaign Coordinators' Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, August 18th from noon to 4:00 p.m. at United Way. It is a free conference where participants will learn how to run a successful United Way Campaign in their workplace. This year's conference includes networking with other coordinators, break-out sessions, lunch, packets with all of the 2009 Campaign materials, and opportunities to win prizes! Local companies are asked to identify their 2009 United Way Campaign Coordinators and encourage these individuals to register. It will be a power-packed afternoon of learning, sharing, and fun.

To register, contact Gail Greager at (509) 783-4102 or ggreager@unitedway-bfco.com.



United Way Receives Clean Annual Audit

United Way of Benton and Franklin Counties recently completed its 2008 annual audit and received an unqualified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance an auditor can give regarding the organization's financial operations. Also, no journal entries or management comments were submitted to United Way for correction. The audit was performed by LeMaster and Daniels, PLLC.

United Way of Benton and Franklin Counties completes an annual independent audit which includes analytical and other tests of the organization's financial records. This is done to demonstrate financial accountability and integrity.

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11th Annual United Way Golf Tournament

Enjoy first-rate golf, while supporting United Way. EnergySolutions will host the 11th Annual United Way Golf Tournament at Canyon Lakes Golf Course on September 3, 2009. Highlights of the event include closest-to-the-pin prize of a GPS system, raffle, hole-in-one prize, BBQ lunch, and steak and salmon dinner. This scrambler will begin with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start; registration and BBQ lunch sponsored by Henager Black Dentistry begins at 12:00 p.m.

The entry fee is \$1,000 per team. Golf team packages include space for four players, special tee prize, green fees, cart, range balls, on-course refreshments, and an awards dinner. And, we welcome individual golfers (\$250 entry fee), whom we will place on a team.

Since EnergySolutions is hosting this event, your entry fees and all proceeds go directly to United Way to support education, health, safety, and self-sufficiency.

For more information or to register, contact Amy Schatz at 375-9592 or email her at arschatz@energysolutions.com.

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