



J.C. is a custom fence builder who was forced to sell all of his tools and work trucks when work stopped coming in during the recession. Close to eviction and barely able to feed his family, J.C. received assistance from two United Way of Denton County agencies.

“Throughout the years, I donated to United Way programs myself, and sometimes I got a little cheap about it. Now I regret pinching that penny because now that I’m on the other side of that fence, I know what that means. It means keeping a family together. It means feeding that family. It means keeping a roof over their head. It means dignity.”

Watch J.C.’s story and those of others whose lives have been forever changed by your United Way contribution at: <http://www.unitedwaydenton.org/give.html>

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EDUCATION

Helping children and youth achieve their potential

Sliding scale childcare for preschoolers: According to the Texas Dept. of Health and Human Services, the average cost of full-time daycare for 3-year-olds is nearly \$6,000 a year per child. Denton City County Day School provides quality sliding scale childcare for families based on family size and income, allowing parents to save money, thereby increasing their self-sufficiency.

Case management dropout prevention: At-risk students referred to Communities in Schools of North Texas are assessed and a case management plan is developed for the student and their family to address individual needs and ensure access to services necessary to eliminate barriers to students’ academic success. Over 400 students throughout Denton Independent School District received this service last year. Of those, 91.2% were promoted to the next grade level.



INCOME

Promoting financial stability and independence

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance: Tax year 2009 proved to be the largest filing season to date for United Way of Denton County’s volunteer income tax program (VITA). Fifteen volunteers completed 242 returns, bringing in \$369,497 in federal refunds, 30% of which were Earned Income Tax Credit dollars (\$110,920). Through the VITA program, roughly \$54,450 in tax preparation and preparer fees were saved by participants.

Housing Counseling: This program, offered by HOPE, Inc. provides financial and life skills planning to families who are facing homelessness due to a crisis, loss of a job, or low job skills. Case managers work with families on budget and goal planning, with an emphasis on client responsibility. Last year, over 1,000 Denton County families received this service.



HEALTH

Improving people’s health

Community Clinic: Health Services of North Texas offers low-cost primary medical care to anyone in Denton County who needs health care. The clinic accepts clients regardless of their ability to pay, providing primary medical care for treating simple illnesses, like sore throats and ear infections, or more complex and chronic illnesses like hypertension, diabetes or heart disease.

Preschool medical and diagnostic screening: Of the 61 children at Denton Christian Preschool who were given a hearing screening by the UNT Speech and Hearing Clinic, 9 children were referred to physicians for further evaluations and/or treatment. Of the 29 children who received a vision screening by Prevent Blindness Texas, 5 children were referred to eye doctors for glasses. The goal of this program is to ensure each child is as physically ready as possible to enter public school with success.

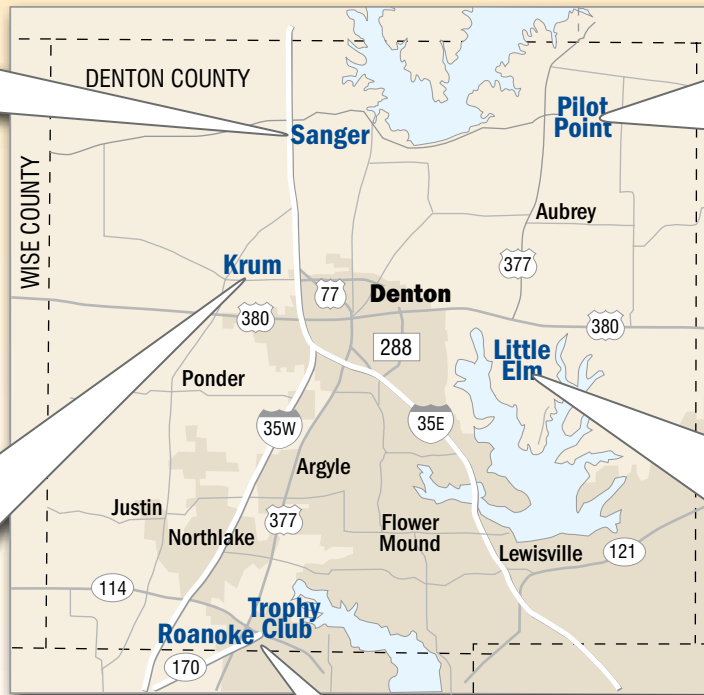
For a complete list of United Way of Denton County partner agencies, visit www.unitedwaydenton.org

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In addition to the 48,141 services provided to City of Denton residents, United Way of Denton County's partner agencies serve residents throughout our community. From Little Elm to Justin to Sanger, here are a few ways your contribution is advancing the common good.

Sanger: Last year, Denton County Friends of the Family provided 92 services to residents of Sanger, including community education presentations, victim services programs and crisis line calls.

Pilot Point: Since January 1, 2010 Pilot Point Goodfellows has assisted 42 families from the Aubrey/Pilot Point area with utilities.



Krum: Last year, 74 Krum residents received services from Interfaith Ministries of Denton, including emergency rent and utility assistance, eyeglasses, budget counseling and back-to-school supplies.

Little Elm: 98.5% of 7th-12th grade students who participated in the case management dropout prevention program in Little Elm through Communities in Schools of North Texas stayed in school.

Roanoke/Trophy Club: The American Red Cross, Denton Branch, covers 944 square miles across Denton County. Last year, 427 Roanoke/Trophy Club area residents received Red Cross services, including disaster assistance and disaster education.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

- 87% To agencies and community services (10% designations to other United Ways and unaffiliated agencies)
- 9% Administrative
- 4% Uncollectibles

