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**Shauna Thornton and Loren Jones to Lead
United Way 2021 Annual Giving Campaign**

Juneau, AK – United Way of Southeast Alaska is proud to announce a dynamic team that will be leading United Way of Southeast Alaska’s annual giving campaign. Shauna Thornton, and Loren Jones, look forward to building on past success and stretching the campaign goal to \$350,000 while also increasing both donors and donations.



United Way of Southeast Alaska’s Board Chair, Warren Russell, announced, “We really appreciate both Loren and Shauna taking on this important challenge. The annual campaign helps to fund United Way’s fight for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in every community across Southeast Alaska. Everyone deserves the opportunity to have a quality education that leads to a stable job, enough income to support a family through retirement, and good health. Both Loren and Shauna have been great ambassadors for these causes in the past. We know that they will do an excellent job.”

Shauna Thornton currently serves as Branch Manager Lending with First National Bank Alaska in Sitka. Shauna has lived in various parts of Alaska since arriving here 30 years ago from Salt Lake City, Utah. She is actively engaged in Sitka with a multitude of organizations including Sitka Legacy Fund, Sitka Historical Society and Museum, Youth Advocates Sitka, SAFV-Sitkans Against Family Violence, Brave Heart Volunteers, City of Sitka Ports and Harbor Commission, Rotary, Salvation Army Advisory Board, Center for Community, Ocean Waves Quilt Guild. “Shauna says “I like giving back to the community I live in, because my community gives so much to me.”

Loren Jones will be stepping down after nine years of service to the City and Borough of Juneau Assembly. Currently retired, Loren previously worked for the City and Borough of Juneau as an alcohol counselor and the State of Alaska as Director of the state Division of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. Loren served on the Alaska Marijuana Control Board for six years. His community involvement has included the Juneau World Affairs Council, Hospice and Home Care/Catholic Community Services and currently working with the American Red Cross Southeast Alaska offices. Loren notes that “I have been a contributor for 40 years both via State Share Campaign and after that as an individual donor. The opportunity presented to further contribute by chairing this campaign was ideal for me. “

We are honored to have Loren and Shauna serve as our 2021 Campaign Co-Chairs.

Community contributions are invested carefully and systematically in programs and agencies that work to solve various community problems. We have a great responsibility to ensure that your contribution is invested in the most effective and impactful way possible.

Statistics show that 1 in 3 people will use a United Way partner agency in their lifetime. Your support ensures that you, your loved ones, neighbors, and co-workers will have help when it is needed.

United Way of Southeast Alaska is a volunteer-driven, grass-roots organization that creates lasting change by bringing people and resources together to address community-wide issues.

UWSEAK focuses on the building blocks of a good life: Education, Income and Health; a quality education that leads to a good job, income that can support a family through retirement, and good health.

UWSEAK is a member of the United Way Worldwide system that includes nearly 1,800 community-based United Way organizations. Each is independent, separately incorporated, and governed by local volunteers.

For more information about United Way of Southeast Alaska or to find information about holding a workplace campaign at your business, visit our website at www.unitedwayseak.org or call our offices at 907-463-5530.

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