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United Way of Southeast Alaska 2022 Day of Caring

Fall is coming and so is the time for volunteerism in our communities! United Way of Southeast Alaska is holding its annual Days of Caring across Southeast Alaska. Scheduled Day of Caring events include in Petersburg on Wednesday September 14, in Ketchikan on Tuesday September 27, in Juneau on Friday September 30 and Sitka on Monday October 03. Day of Caring is where local nonprofit agencies offer up a service project to complete. Day of Caring provides an opportunity for residents, schools, and local businesses to volunteer their time to help their community!

In the 2019 event, over 111 employees across Southeast Alaska in four communities over 5 days donated over 450 hours of volunteer time to making a difference in their communities.

Sitka projects for Southeast Alaska Independent Living (SAIL), Sitkans Against Family Violence (SAFV), Alaska Fine Arts Camp, and The Fortress of the Bears. In total, we had fourteen volunteers donate over 55 hours of their time. Employees from SEARHC, Wells Fargo, GCI, Northrim Bank participated in service to complete the projects. The UAS Sitka Campus provided the location for Kick-off breakfast

Ketchikan projects for Salvation Army, Southeast Alaska Independent Living (SAIL), Women in Safe Homes (WISH). Employees from GCI, Wells Fargo, Northrim Bank participated in service to complete the projects. In total we had fifteen employees donate 65 hours of their time. The UAS Ketchikan Campus provided the location for Kick-off Breakfast

Petersburg projects for Head Start, Petersburg Medical Center and Working Against Violence for Everyone (WAVE). Employees from GCI, Wells Fargo, Viking Travel, and the Girl Scouts. In total we had six employees and 8 Girl Scouts who donated 18 hours of their time to complete the projects.

Juneau projects for Southeast Independent Living (SAIL), AWARE, Girl Scouts, The Bridge, AEYC - Little Eagles & Little Ravens childcare, Helping Hands Food Pantry, and JAMHI Health and Wellness. 68 Employees from the City and Borough of Juneau,

United Way AmeriCorps Volunteers, Wells Fargo, Northrim Bank, True North Federal Credit Union, Shattuck & Grummett Insurance, GCI, Coeur Alaska, and SEARHC donated 320 hours of service to complete the projects.

United Way Board Past Chair and Advisor for First Command Financial, Warren Russell said “he is very appreciative of all the organizations and employees that donated their time and energy to the effort in 2019 and that the more boots on the ground doing great work for communities and organizations make him proud to be a part of United Way of Southeast Alaska.”

So please be a volunteer for your community!

Volunteers will receive a “LIVE UNITED” t-shirt along with a complimentary breakfast in community at 8:00 am to kick off the event. After breakfast volunteers will have the opportunity to complete various service projects throughout their community.

We are still in the planning and coordinating stages of this event and are still in search for both non-profits who have a service projects needing completion and volunteers willing to donate no more than four hours of service to give back to their communities.

We look forward to another great Day of Caring this year. If your agency or business is interested in participating, sign up online at <https://www.unitedwayseak.org/form/2022-day-of-caring>

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