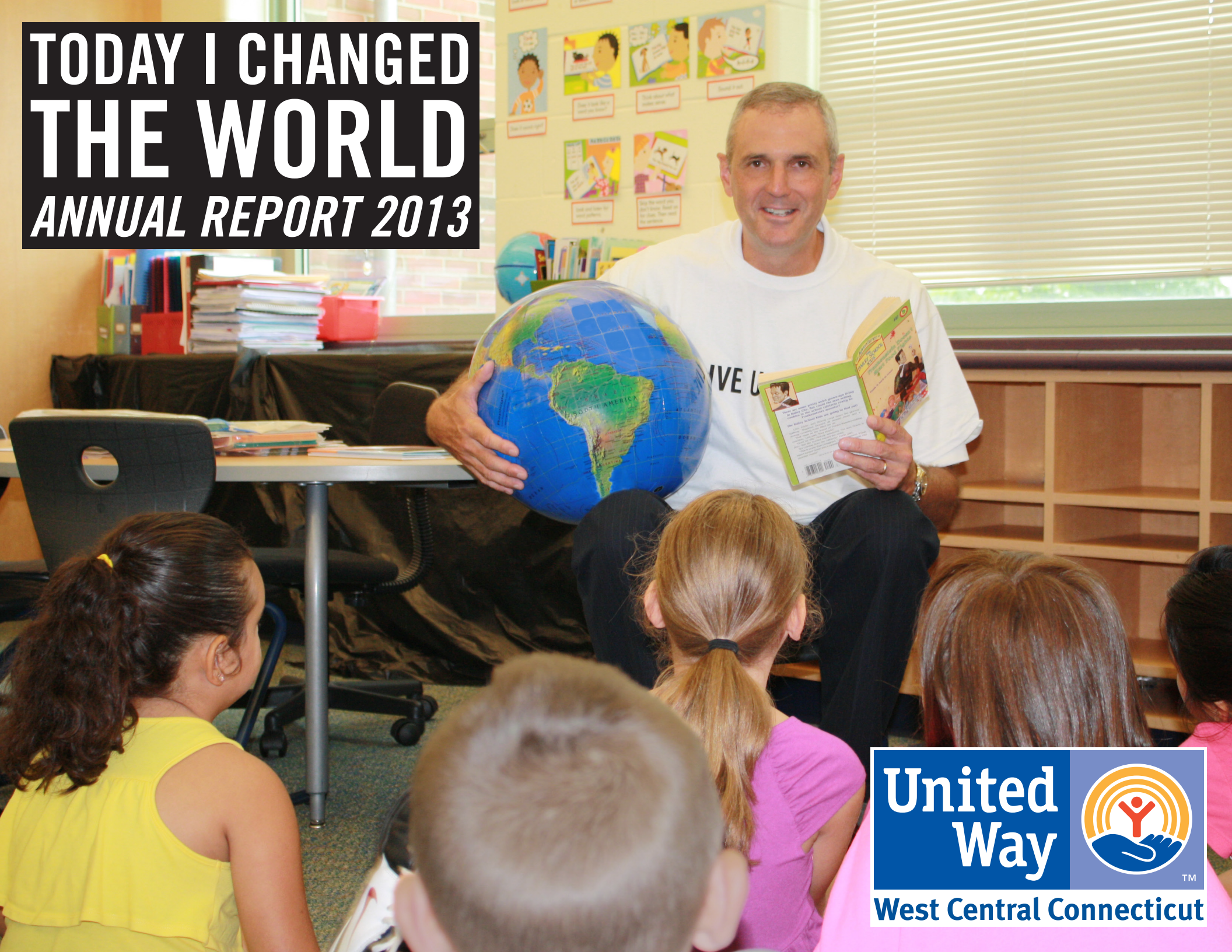


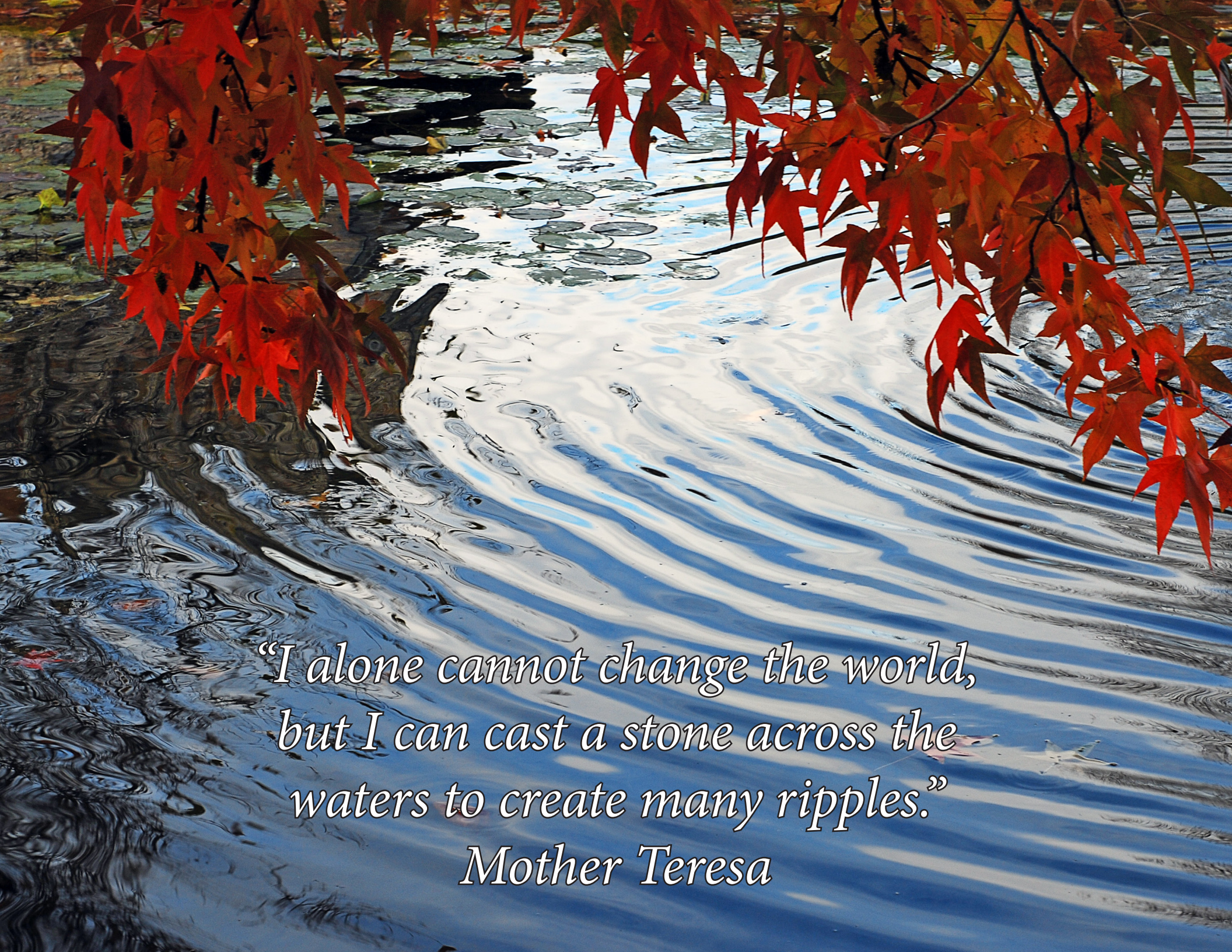
# TODAY I CHANGED THE WORLD

*ANNUAL REPORT 2013*



**United  
Way** ™

**West Central Connecticut**

A photograph of a pond with lily pads and red maple leaves hanging over the water. The water is dark blue with ripples, and the leaves are a vibrant red color. The scene is captured from a low angle, looking down at the water.

*“I alone cannot change the world,  
but I can cast a stone across the  
waters to create many ripples.”*

*Mother Teresa*

**Our supporters have asked themselves:**

If not us, then who?  
If not now, then when?

**And they have taken the pledge:**

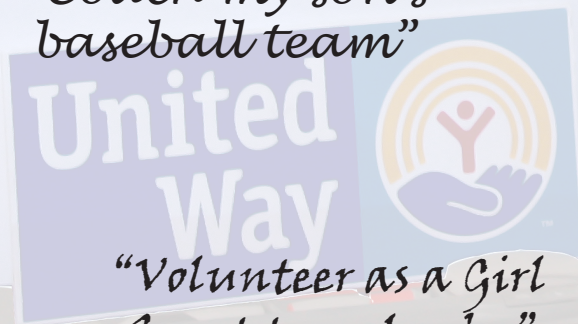
Today, I'm going to try to change the world.

**Here just a few examples of how they are changing our world:**

*“Recycle”*

*“Buy toys for the needy  
at Christmas”*

*“Coach my son’s  
baseball team”*



*“Volunteer as a Girl  
Scout troop leader”*

*“Volunteer at my  
daughter’s preschool”*

*“Contribute to local  
food pantries”*

*“Volunteer at  
the animal rescue  
foundation”*

***“Give to United Way”***

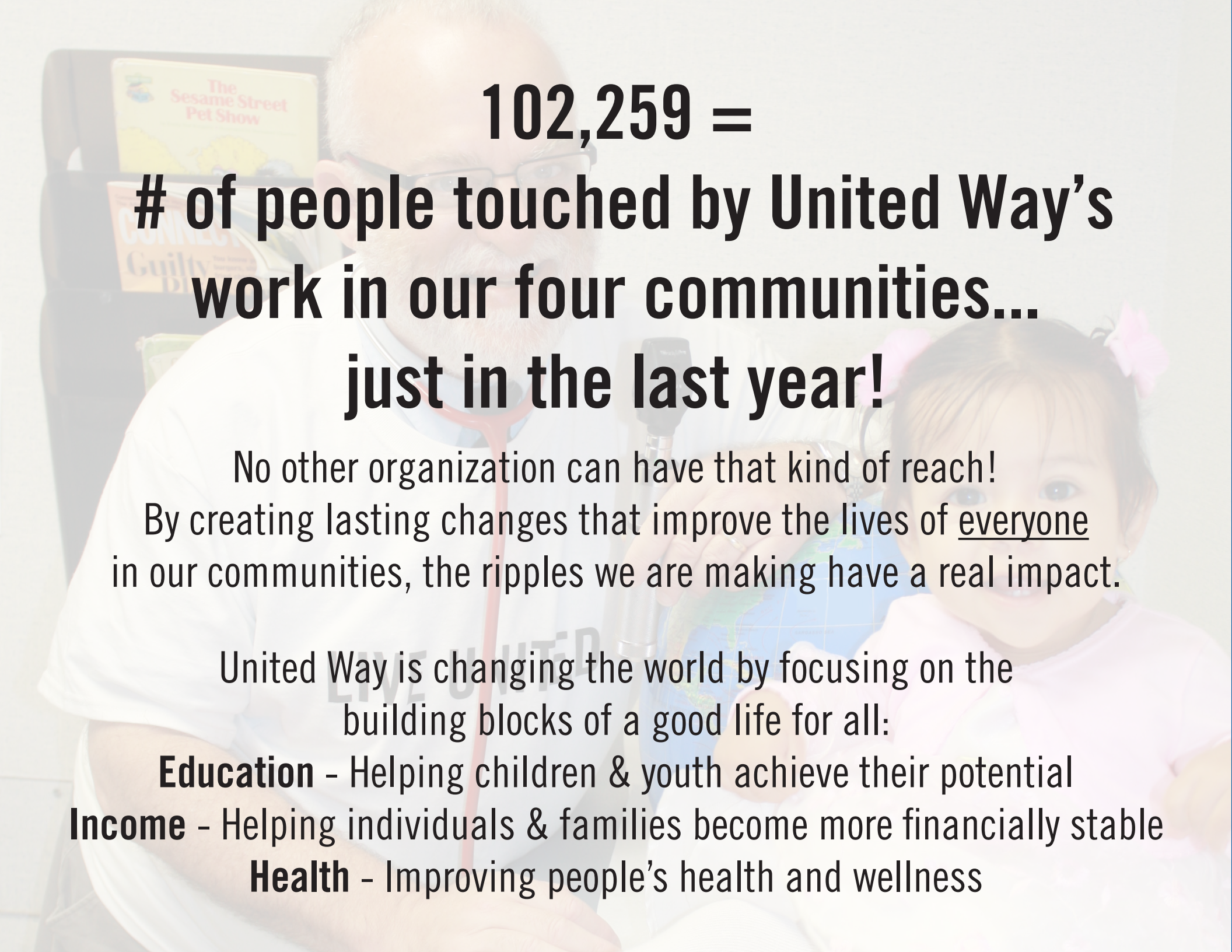
**LIVE UNITED**

*“Get involved at my  
church”*

*“Mentor a local  
student”*

*“Drive my elderly  
neighbor to doctor  
appointments”*





**102,259 =**  
**# of people touched by United Way's**  
**work in our four communities...**  
**just in the last year!**

No other organization can have that kind of reach!  
By creating lasting changes that improve the lives of everyone  
in our communities, the ripples we are making have a real impact.

United Way is changing the world by focusing on the  
building blocks of a good life for all:

**Education** - Helping children & youth achieve their potential

**Income** - Helping individuals & families become more financially stable

**Health** - Improving people's health and wellness

# EDUCATION



## BORN LEARNING PROGRAM

*Teaches parents and caregivers that every day moments can be fun learning opportunities*

- Partnership with Bristol Hospital, where all parents who give birth get free materials
- Over 700 parents reached each year

## DISCOVERY INITIATIVE

*State-wide initiative to help ensure that all children enter kindergarten ready to learn*

- UWWCC has provided a match to funds given by the William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund of \$258,500, resulting in over \$1,038,920 invested in early childhood in our communities

## EARLY CHILDHOOD BLUEPRINT

*A plan to ensure that every child is ready and able to succeed both in school and in life*

- Focus areas for this early childhood work:
- Infant & Toddler Care
  - Physical & Emotional Health
  - Equal Access and Success
  - Quality

## KIDS IN THE MIDDLE

*Helps middle school students successfully transition to high school and young adulthood*

- Last school year:
- 385 kids from our four towns participated
  - 5,000 hours of community service were completed

## UNITED WAY YOUTH BOARD

*Regional leadership group for local high school students*

- Have held Youth Forums for their peers on peer pressure, leadership and suicide prevention
- Collected personal care items for St. Vincent DePaul homeless shelter
- Raised money for United Way through the Charity Cycling Challenge

# INCOME



## ADOPT-A-CHILD BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

*Program that provides a backpack, school supplies and first day of school outfit to lower-income children*

- Over 500 local students were helped this past school year



## FINANCIAL COACHING PROGRAM

*Provides a coach one-on-one to help clients learn how to effectively manage their income, spending, debt and savings*

- 31 clients served
- Results include increased savings and decreased debt



## FINANCIAL EDUCATION CLASSES

*Free financial education to help participants gain a better understanding of how to manage their money*

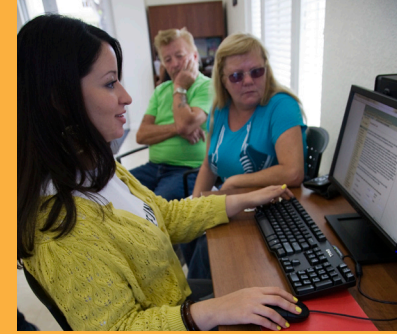
- 11 classes offered with over 120 participants
- Topics offered include: Budgeting, Using Credit Wisely & Debt Management



## JOY OF SHARING HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

*Provides food and gifts to families who are struggling during the holidays*

- 2300 toys and gifts were given to children ages 3-14
- Countless food baskets were put together for Thanksgiving & Christmas



## VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)

*United Way runs a free tax site that helps low and moderate income families get their taxes done for free*

- 574 clients served in four years
- \$133,742 saved in tax preparation fees
- \$1,113,921 in federal and state refunds back to local families

# HEALTH



## 2-1-1

*Connecticut's toll-free service to get information, referrals or seek help in a crisis*

- Last year, 12,080 calls were made to 2-1-1 from our four communities
- The top request for service was for Utilities/Heat
- The second request was for Outpatient Mental Health Services



## FAMILYWIZE PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM

*Discount program that lowers the cost of prescriptions by 40% or more for people who are uninsured or who take medications not covered by their plan*

- \$490,400 has been saved by individuals in our four communities by using this card



## TRIAD SENIOR PROGRAM

*Program helping to improve the quality of life, provide access to social service programs, reduce crime & diminish the fear of crime among our older residents*

- Over 10,000 residents reached through the Let's Find Our Seniors Initiative

*“I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.”*

*~ Mother Teresa*

*Dear Friends,*

*We would like to start by saying “Thank You!” We couldn’t do our work without the support of wonderful donors like you. By supporting the United Way of West Central CT, you have cast your stone and made many ripples across the water that will affect the whole community.*

*By creating lasting changes that improve the lives of everyone in our communities, the ripples we are making together have a real impact. United Way is working to change the world by focusing on the building blocks of a good life for all – education, income and health. We are making a difference by helping children and youth achieve their potential, helping individuals and families become financially stable, and improving people’s health and wellness.*

*Imagine what the waters look like now that we have taken the stone that you cast and combined it with the stones that hundreds of other people cast – the ripples extend beyond the shores and can create a truly meaningful impact. Last year alone, our work touched the lives of 102,259 people in our community – no other organization can have that kind of reach. And through our community impact process, we ensure that every donor’s gift goes to where our community needs it most.*

*Now that your investment is combined with the investments of hundreds of others, lasting changes can be created and we will change the world.*

*Thank you again for your support of the United Way of West Central Connecticut. And each day, continue to Live United and take the pledge – “Today, I’m going to try to change the world.”*

*Sincerely,*



*Donna Osuch, President & CPO*

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# Statement of Financial Position

	2013			2012
	Operations	Building	Total	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<i><b>Current Assets:</b></i>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 375,681.00	\$ 7,792.00	\$ 383,473.00	\$ 405,994.00
Cash - Invested	\$ 149,358.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 149,358.00	\$ 148,888.00
Investments, at market values	\$ 853,891.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 853,891.00	\$ 797,976.00
Pledge receivable	\$ 775,818.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 791,818.00	\$ 820,516.00
Other receivable	\$ 64,445.00	\$ (64,445.00)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Other current assets	\$ 5,776.00	\$ 2,619.00	\$ 8,395.00	\$ 4,641.00
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,224,969.00</b>	<b>\$ (38,034.00)</b>	<b>\$ 2,186,935.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,178,015.00</b>
<i><b>Plant &amp; Equipment:</b></i>				
Plant & equipment	\$ 63,726.00	\$ 478,392.00	\$ 542,118.00	\$ 542,118.00
Less - Accumulated depreciation	\$ 59,871.00	\$ 116,561.00	\$ 176,432.00	\$ 159,175.00
Net plant & equipment	\$ 3,855.00	\$ 361,831.00	\$ 365,686.00	\$ 382,943.00
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,228,824.00</b>	<b>\$ 323,797.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,552,621.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,560,958.00</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<i><b>Current Liabilities:</b></i>				
Allocations payable to designated agencies	\$ 936,426.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 936,426.00	\$ 885,129.00
Mortgage payable-due within one year	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 7,600.00	\$ 7,212.00
Notes payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,271.00	\$ 1,271.00	\$ 3,049.00
Accounts payable	\$ 10,099.00	\$ 3,488.00	\$ 13,587.00	\$ 18,250.00
Dues to affiliates	\$ 8,756.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,756.00	\$ 9,562.00
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 955,281.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,359.00</b>	<b>\$ 967,640.00</b>	<b>\$ 923,202.00</b>
<i><b>Long Term Liabilities:</b></i>				
Notes payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,271.00
Mortgage payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 190,320.00	\$ 190,320.00	\$ 197,603.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 955,281.00</b>	<b>\$ 202,679.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,157,960.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,122,076.00</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>				
<i><b>Unrestricted:</b></i>				
Unappropriated	\$ 620,093.00	\$ 71,118.00	\$ 691,211.00	\$ 693,160.00
Designated - Investment in plant and equipment	\$ 3,855.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,855.00	\$ 8,114.00
Designated - Board community initiatives	\$ 176,477.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 176,477.00	\$ 191,652.00
<b>Total unrestricted net assets</b>	<b>\$ 800,425.00</b>	<b>\$ 71,118.00</b>	<b>\$ 871,543.00</b>	<b>\$ 892,926.00</b>
<i><b>Temporarily restricted:</b></i>	\$ 132,331.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 182,331.00	\$ 205,169.00
<i><b>Permanently restricted:</b></i>	\$ 340,787.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 340,787.00	\$ 340,787.00
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,273,543.00</b>	<b>\$ 121,118.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,394,661.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,438,882.00</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,228,824.00</b>	<b>\$ 323,797.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,552,621.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,560,958.00</b>

# 2013 Fund Distribution

<b>Community Initiative Leveraged Funds</b>	<b>\$85,120.77</b>	<b>Camperships</b>	<b>\$1,240.00</b>
<b>Education</b>		<b>Donor Choice Allocations</b>	<b>\$122,386.28</b>
<b>Income</b>			
<b>Health</b>			

<b>Boys &amp; Girls Club and Family Center of Bristol</b>	<b>\$75,500</b>	<b>CT Rivers Council - Boy Scouts of America</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>	<b>Prudence Crandall Center</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>
Boys & Girls Club - Project Learn Boys & Girls Club - Cambridge Park Outreach Services Family Center - Challenger/Respite Program Imagine Nation Museum - Early Learning Program		Participation for Underprivileged Youth		Bristol Outreach Program	
<b>Bristol Adult Resource Center</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>Connecticut Legal Services</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>Salvation Army</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Citizen Advocacy Respite/Recreation Volunteer Program		Legal Aid - Civil		Comprehensive Emergency Assistance Soup Kitchen Program	
<b>Bristol Community Organization (BCO)</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>Literacy Volunteers of Central CT</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Bristol, Inc.</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
Case Manager Position Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)		Greater Bristol Literacy Program		Bristol Homeless Shelter	
<b>Bristol Community Organization in partnership with the Bristol Family Resource Centers</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>	<b>Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>United Way of Connecticut</b>	<b>\$10,832</b>
Ages & Stages Questionnaire Screening		Community Based Program		2-1-1	
<b>Bristol Preschool Child Care Center</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>	<b>PARC Inc. Plainville</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>Wheeler Clinic</b>	<b>\$44,000</b>
Early Education and Backpack Programs		Healthy Living Safety First		Child & Adolescent Extended Day Treatment Children's Trauma Initiative Early Childhood Development Program	
<b>Catholic Charities</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>Plainville Day Care Center</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>	<b>Wheeler Regional Family YMCA</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Elderly Outreach Counseling Services		Preschool, Nursery School and School-Age Programs		LIVEStrong Program	
<b>Community Mental Health Affiliates (CMHA)</b>	<b>\$24,000</b>	<b>Plymouth Community Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>YWCA of New Britain</b>	<b>\$8,000</b>
Bristol Adult Outpatient Behavioral Health Services Terryville School-Based Counseling		Home Delivery Program		Sexual Assault Crisis Service	
		<b>Plymouth Family Resource Center</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>		
		Early Childhood Education & Kindergarten			

**Total Allocations: \$565,079.05**

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