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**UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL MARYLAND AWARDS NEARLY \$52,000  
TO HOWARD COUNTY NONPROFITS**

**Baltimore, MD (April 20, 2010)** – Twelve Howard County health and human service organizations were awarded one-time impact grants totaling \$51,800 to help support their work.

Those awarded funding were:

- Alianza de la Comunidad \$5,000
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Maryland \$3,800
- Bridges to Housing Stability (formerly Congregations Concerned for the Homeless Inc.) \$5,000
- Community Action Council of Howard County Maryland, Inc. \$5,000
- Conexiones of Howard County \$5,000
- Domestic Violence Center of Howard County \$5,000
- "Foundation for Human Development, Inc.  
d/b/a makingCHANGE - A Financial Wellness Center" \$2,000
- Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, Inc. \$5,000
- Neighbor Ride, Inc. \$1,000
- St. John Baptist Church \$5,000
- The Arc of Howard County \$5,000
- The Salvation Army, Greater Baltimore Area \$5,000

These 2010 county impact grants were awarded by United Way of Central Maryland's Howard County Community Partnership Board, a group of local volunteers who help guide United Way's work.

The county impact grants will be used for programs that support United Way's community strategies around the areas of **education** (school readiness/youth achieving potential), **income** (basic needs) **and/or health** (family safety).

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**About United Way of Central Maryland**

For more than 80 years, United Way of Central Maryland (UWCM) has been the region's human service leader. Its mission is to improve people's lives by mobilizing the caring power of our communities. UWCM supports programs and initiatives in the city of Baltimore, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard counties. UWCM is dedicated to education, income and health - making sure children get the early child care they need to succeed in school, that young adults graduate, that families have the means to access affordable and stable housing and that people are free from violence and abuse at home. By encouraging all people in central Maryland to give, advocate or volunteer, UWCM wants to show the power of living united.

It's about connecting people and creating communities. For more information, visit [www.uwcm.org](http://www.uwcm.org) or call 410.547.8000.