The 2-1-1 Maryland United Way Helpline provides one easy-to-remember phone number for help with housing, food, healthcare, utility assistance and more.

103,617 calls for help answered by the 2-1-1 Maryland United Way Helpline in FY 2015.

18,059 calls for help with tax preparation; $17.6 million in refunds, including $4.5 million in Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) refunds.

No one can create change alone. That’s why we need you.

A special thanks to our 2-1-1 sponsors: Constellation, an Exelon Company; CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield; Bank of America and State of Maryland.

**Project Homeless Connect: Bringing hope to people experiencing homelessness**

United Way and partners will once again bring together nearly 2,000 individuals and families facing homelessness for a one-day resource fair which provides critical services such as medical and dental care, IDs, housing and shelter, employment, clothing, food and more.

**SAVE THE DATE**

When: Friday, September 30, 2016
Where: Baltimore Convention Center – Inner Harbor

To volunteer, go to www.uwcm.org/PHC.

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Family stability is the heart of our work.

United Way of Central Maryland works to empower families to become self-sufficient by focusing on the building blocks of a better life: education, housing, employment and health.

Putting families on the path to stability and self-sufficiency is what we do.

The building blocks of our work: helping children succeed in school, ensuring families have a safe place to call home, helping people find stable employment and providing our neighbors in need with access to healthy meals and healthcare.

The 2-1-1 Maryland United Way Helpline is the foundation of our work, answering thousands of calls for help with basic needs such as housing, food, utilities and more.

Rebecca’s Story:

“Put the light of hope back into us.”

Rebecca’s husband lost his job and soon after, they lost their home. When she picked up her kids from school that night, they had no place to go. But thanks to United Way’s generous supporters, they were not alone. Through United Way’s Homelessness Prevention program, this Baltimore County family had a place to stay that night, plus long-term help to get back on their feet.

To read more stories on how your United Way donation is helping families in our community, visit uwcm.org/stories

We can’t do it without U.

United Way works to help children succeed in school so they can graduate ready for a bright future, including launching a new pilot program in the 2016/2017 school year to help young students stay on track and graduate.

29 of the 45 student parents served at the United Way Family Center at Ben Franklin High School have graduated or are on track to receive their certification and 17 infants and toddlers were served since late 2014.

Since 2012, 1,096 school-age children (99.5%) avoided a disruptive move in school.

Workforce development is a pressing need. The root cause for why many families are struggling is tied to lack of job skills and financial literacy. Employment programs provide people with opportunities to obtain or improve employment and income through job readiness training, GED instruction, employment skills training and career mentoring.

During fiscal year 2015, 475 people gained or improved employment as a result of employment services received, and their average hourly wage was $12.87.

United Way of Central Maryland is committed to fighting hunger by providing healthy food and access to healthcare to our neighbors in need. Plus, in 2016, we’re looking at broader community health issues.

17.1 million pounds of food (14.2 million meals) distributed to low-income families since 2011.

Through United Way’s Harvest of Plenty program, 4,000 Thanksgiving meals were distributed to low-income families in 2015.