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Losing your home to a fire and having to start over is hard ...

Elizabeth found help at United Way of Bristol TN/VA.



Because of a house fire, Elizabeth found herself in the hospital with smoke inhalation ... no place to call home but extremely thankful to be alive. Losing everything in the fire, she was homeless and without many of the resources needed to start over. Even before the fire, Elizabeth suffered from COPD and other serious health problems and needed oxygen daily.

A few months after the fire, Elizabeth met a Community Health Worker (CHW) at Healing Hands Health. Elizabeth worked with her CHW for several months to begin rebuilding her life. Elizabeth enrolled in the United Way of Bristol HOME program, which uses a collective impact, team approach to provide intensive case management and wraps services around the unsheltered to help them become housed and self-sufficient.

Since being in the program, Elizabeth has been housed for three months and has saved for her own washer and dryer. Elizabeth now feels she has her life back and is even saving for a vehicle.

United Way of Bristol TN/VA is thankful to be able to provide the HOME Program for our community to help Elizabeth and others with similar needs.



STRENGTHENING



Direct Services Provided by United Way of Bristol

Bristol Community Unsheltered Quarantine Program - Bristol Afterschool Network - HOME Program -Resource Bristol - ReUnite Program - Ride United - Senior Digital Literacy - and more!

Along with being an important conduit for agency funding, we serve as an active advocate for social needs in our community while also providing direct services to those who need us the most.

The United Way of Bristol supports and provides financial assistance to 36 programs within our 22 partner agencies. The critical services of our partner agency programs were utilized more than 15,000 times last year.

Abuse Alternatives American Red Cross of NETN Big Brothers Big Sisters Boys & Girls Club of Mtn. Empire Bristol Faith in Action Bristol Regional Counseling Center* Bristol Regional Speech and Hearing CASA for Kids Children's Advocacy Center of Sullivan Co. Communities in Schools of Appalachian Highlands Family Promise of Bristol First TN Human Resource Agency Frontier Industries Girl Scouts of Southern Appalachians Girls Inc. Healing Hands Health

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