

## **United Way gets well-deserved recognition Organization gets Make a Difference Day award**

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United Way of Larimer County honored community volunteers at its State of the Community luncheon on Thursday, but the agency also got a well-deserved pat on the back of its own.

The United Way was formally recognized with a Make a Difference Day Award from USA Weekend.

Thousands of communities across the country participated in Make a Difference Day last fall, but Larimer County was among only 13 recognized for top achievement by the Sunday newspaper supplement in April.

Last year, 4,450 people came out on Make a Difference Day to aid 75 Larimer County nonprofit organizations, a record turnout. The award comes with a \$10,000 prize.

This is a great honor that recognizes work by United Way of Larimer County but, more importantly, the thousands of people who gave freely of their time last fall to make our community better.

Also, congratulations go out to individual volunteers who were honored by United Way at the State of the Community luncheon:

- > **Marlene Schilling**, Read Aloud Loveland - Senior Volunteer Excellence award.
  - > **Arvind Karwan**, Crossroads Safehouse - Volunteer Excellence award.
  - > **Fort Collins Sertoma Club, Volunteers of America RSVP Program** - Outstanding Volunteer Group award.
  - > **Tallon Nightwalker**, Larimer Humane Society - Linda Nerger Youth Volunteer Excellence award.
  - > **Glorie Magrum**, House of Neighborly Service - Community Collaborator of the Year award.
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