United, We Strengthen Our Community.

United Way of Larimer County tackles issues that matter most to our community and uses a collaborative approach to accomplish more together. Our focus areas include:

- **YOUTH & EDUCATION** We believe investing in youth is not only the right thing to do, but it is also the best way to ensure a strong economy and community.

- **FINANCIAL STABILITY** We believe in supporting initiatives that decrease the need for future social services.

- **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** We believe strong communities are characterized by a high level of civic participation.

- **NONPROFIT EXCELLENCE** We believe the nonprofit sector plays a vital role in creating and maintaining a resilient community and that donors' dollars should be used to fund effective and efficient programs that show results.

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**What Your Dollars Can Do**

*based on an annual gift over 26 pay periods*

**$7 PER PAY PERIOD - LESS THAN ONE CUP OF COFFEE A WEEK**

Can provide six nights in an emergency homeless shelter to help a local family find stable housing

*Why it Matters:* There are more than 13,000 families in Larimer County living in poverty. Additionally more than 20% of the homeless population is comprised of children under the age of 18.

**$11 PER PAY PERIOD - LESS THAN A BURGER AND FRIES A WEEK**

Can provide one-on-one after-school mentoring for one local student to improve his or her grades

*Why it Matters:* 19% of Larimer County students don’t graduate on time. One-on-one mentoring is a proven way for kids to stay on track to graduate.

**$21 PER PAY PERIOD - LESS THAN A LARGE PIZZA A WEEK**

Can provide access to a one-on-one literacy tutor for a local child

*Why it Matters:* 76% of low-income fourth graders in Larimer County are not reading at grade level. Research shows that 74% of children who are behind at the end of third grade will never catch up to their peers.