

The Way We Care

2002 Annual Report



United Way
of New Britain & Berlin, Inc.

A Message from the Board Chair

Paul D'Addabbo



Dear Friends of United Way:

Thank you for showing the way you care for our community through your support of United Way. Because of your commitment, we have much success to report and a renewed hope for the future. The 2002 United Way Community Campaign raised more than \$27 million to benefit more than 125 health and human service agencies in the 40-town Capital region, including New Britain and Berlin. This marked a record in the campaign's 78-year history, despite our uncertain economy.

So much of United Way's work in the community relies on volunteers. More than 3,000 volunteers helped kick off the 2002 Community Campaign with the annual *Day of Caring* – lending their time and talents to more than 150 nonprofit organizations, some right here in New Britain. I would also like to thank the many volunteers

that support United Way through participation on our committees and with the campaign. Your time and talents are invaluable to United Way.

The momentum generated by the 2002 Community Campaign has helped us renew our vision for our community by concentrating our efforts on improving the lives of children. Our work with our network of health and human service agencies and other community partners will shape a community in which every child has the opportunity to succeed. And with your continued support and commitment, United Way of New Britain and Berlin and its partners will certainly realize that vision.

Best wishes and thank you for another successful year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Paul D'Addabbo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Paul D'Addabbo
Chair, Board of Directors
United Way of New Britain & Berlin

Year in Review

The Way We Cared

Day of Caring XI

The 2002 United Way Community Campaign kicked off in the New Britain and Berlin community on September 5 with *Day of Caring XI* and a backyard barbeque at the United Way office. Volunteers from companies throughout Greater Hartford helped nonprofit agencies at 25 project sites in the New Britain area. More than 3,000 employees from local companies donated their time and talents to more than 150 nonprofit organizations on *Day of Caring XI* throughout the Greater Hartford area. Thanks to the following companies for helping make *Day of Caring* such a success in the New Britain community: Fleet Bank, GE Financial, Hamilton Sundstrand, ING Financial Services, Northeast Utilities, Otis Elevator, Pratt & Whitney, Safeco Insurance, The Hartford Courant, and United Health Group.

Campaign Victory

The New Britain and Berlin community celebrated the results of the 2002 United Way Community Campaign at the Stanley Works headquarters on November 13. The event featured special guest Cathy-Lynne Coyle, executive director of the YWCA of New Britain. Steve Johnson, a United Way Community Campaign volunteer from The Watson Group, reported the record-breaking results of \$27,002,985—the most in the campaign's 78-year history.



Button Up Connecticut

Jessica Muniz of New Britain and her two daughters "shop" for winter coats at the ninth annual *Button Up Connecticut* coat drive distribution day at the Hartford Civic Center in December. More than 50,000 coats were distributed to individuals in need through this year's coat drive. *Button Up Connecticut* collected coats from area companies, individuals, schools, and community organizations as part of the annual collaborative effort of New Britain-based Siracusa Moving & Storage Co., United Way, NBC 30, and other local sponsors.



Pictured from left to right: Paul D'Addabbo, chair of the United Way of New Britain & Berlin board of directors; Steve Johnson, Community Campaign volunteer and vice president of The Watson Group; Cathy-Lynne Coyle, executive director of the YWCA of New Britain, celebrate the results of the 2002 United Way Community Campaign.

Community Investments

Investing in Our Community

Note: Amounts listed for United Way member agencies include the dollars designated to the agencies through the 2001 United Way Community Campaign for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002. Funds raised in 2002 will be allocated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003.

American Red Cross - Middlesex Central Connecticut Chapter	\$92,578
Boys and Girls Club of New Britain	149,558
Catholic Family Services - New Britain	148,390
Central Connecticut ARC (CCARC)	25,181
Citizens for Action in New Britain (CANB)	20,118
CT Legal Services	22,897
Family Services of Central Connecticut.....	85,748
Literacy Volunteers of America - New Britain/Bristol.....	41,100
New Britain - Berlin YMCA	67,245
Prudence Crandall Center for Women	58,244
RSVP of Central Connecticut.....	11,217
Spanish Speaking Center of New Britain	25,893
The Salvation Army - New Britain.....	36,319
United Labor Agency	37,103
Visiting Nurse Association of Central Connecticut	69,921
YWCA. of New Britain.....	143,473
Total Allocations	\$1,034,985

Volunteer Spotlight

Geraldine Devers

Geraldine Devers, the 2002 United Way of New Britain and Berlin Volunteer of the Year, believes “those who are lucky enough to have, should give something back to the community.” Devers has lived her beliefs for over two decades as a dedicated volunteer for the Hospital for Special Care, New Britain General Hospital, Visiting Nurses Association, the Junior League and PTOs at Vance School, St. Francis Junior High School, and New Britain High.

Devers has served on the board of directors of the Hospital for Special Care since 1989, contributing thousands of hours to the development and growth of the hospital. She currently is a full-time volunteer in charge of the hospital’s gift shop. She also serves on the Auxiliary board and as board treasurer. When nominating her for the 2002 Volunteer of the Year award, the Hospital for Special Care described Devers as “a woman who personifies caring, integrity, and the pursuit of excellence.”

“I’m trained as a nurse,” Devers says, “and looked for something to do in that area when my four children were young. I found I was comfortable volunteering in a hospital setting. Today I feel very proud and fortunate to have been offered the opportunities that I have had to grow, learn, and lead.”

Devers believes in leadership by example. She encourages volunteers to do tasks that they have never tried before. “In the past, leaders in various organizations recognized and encouraged potential they saw in me,” she says. “I try to pass that on.”



Volunteer Honor Roll

1946 Dorothy Greene	1976 Paul D. Rosahn, M.D.
1948 Katharine Cairns	1977 Catharine Rogers
1950 Dr. Philip J. Moorad	1978 Milton Abrams
1951 Catriona White	1979 Robert B. Grace
1952 Joseph Andrews	1980 Dr. Joe B. Scully
1953 Joseph W. Roche	1981 Thomas Fletcher
1954 Mary Hinchliffe	1982 Donald Davidson
1955 Zundie Finkelstein	1983 Robert Twohig
1956 Martin H. Horwitz	1984 Michael Cimino
1957 Leslie White	1985 John P. McIntosh
1958 Joseph L. Doyle	1986 Loretta Martinelli
1959 Harold M. Peasley	1987 Phyllis Visnauskas
1960 Dorothy Coholan	1988 Cora Washington
1961 Hoyt C. Pease	1989 Blanche J. Delaney
1962 Harry Howard	1990 Frederick W. Riggs
1963 Rachel Carlson	1991 Irene L. Buden
1964 Hugh T. Corcoran	1992 Mabel S. Bonney
1965 William E. Attwood	1993 Evelyn Anderson
1966 George G. Wilcox	1994 Hugh & Lois Penney
1967 Paul G. Nilsen	1995 Paul Marier
1968 Algert Politis	1996 Angelo Tomasso, Jr.
1969 Herbert E. Carlson, Sr.	1997 Norman Martinelli
1970 Harold H. Beloin	1998 Michael LaRose
1971 John C. Pritchard	1999 Ruthe W. Boyea
1972 Richard R. McGee	2000 Stanley Shepard
1973 Ernest & Eileen Brainard	2001 Dr. Richard Judd
1974 Stanley Cooper	2002 Geraldine Devers
1975 Mildred Barrows	

Community Participation

Leading the Way

Thanks to these New Britain and Berlin organizations and their employees for their contributions through the 2002 United Way Community Campaign. Their contributions are supporting the network of health and human service agencies that are there for all of us, whenever we need help.

The ACMAT Corporation
Acme Monaco Corporation
Alden Tool Company
American Red Cross
American Savings Bank
Amodio Van & Storage
Atofina Chemicals, Inc.
Banknorth
Bayer Inc.
Berlin Board of Education
Boys & Girls Club/New Britain
Catholic Family Services—
New Britain
Central Connecticut Arc, Inc.
Central Pallet & Box
Combined Federal Employees
Connecticut Legal Services, Inc.
Connecticut State Employees
Corbin Russwin
Creed-Monarch, Inc.
Dattco Travel
The Edro Corporation
Eisenberg, Anderson, Michalik
& Lynch
Family Services of Central CT
First Church of Christ

First City Bank
Fleet Bank
Friendship Service Center
Goodyear Auto Service Center
Greater New Britain Community
Development Corp.
Grove Hill Medical Center
The Herald
The E.R. Hitchcock Company
Home Depot, Inc.
Hospital for Special Care
Indalex Aluminum Solution
Insurance Associates
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Literacy Volunteers of America
Macristy Industries, Inc.
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Martin Rosol's, Inc.
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Miller, Moriarty & Company, LLC
Moore Medical Corporation
New Britain Area Conference
of Churches
New Britain-Berlin YMCA
New Britain Chamber of
Commerce

New Britain City Employees, C.S.A.
New Britain Consolidated Schools
New Britain Foundation for
Public Giving
New Britain General Hospital
New Britain Housing Authority
New Britain Museum of
American Art
New Britain Public Library
New Britain Rock Cats
New Britain Transportation Co.
Northeast Utilities
Occupational Risk Control Services
Okay Industries, Inc.
Painting & Decorating, Inc.
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Peter Paul Electronics Company, Inc.
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Prudence Crandall Center for
Women
R.C.Vance Foundation
RSVP of Central Connecticut
SAFECO Insurance
Salvation Army—New Britain
Sam's Club

Sanson, Inc.
Shuttle Meadow Country Club
Spanish Speaking Center of
New Britain
Spring Brook Ice & Fuel
Stan Chem, Inc.
Stanley Works
Target Stores
Tilcon Connecticut, Inc.
Town of Berlin
Tufano Motorcar, Inc.
United Labor Agency
Visiting Nurse Association of
Central CT
WALMART—New Britain
Weathervane
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Webster Bank
YWCA of New Britain

Making a Difference

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