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United Way's Day of Action Rallies Volunteers to Improve Missoula

United Way of Missoula County

Missoula, June 23, 2023 – United Way of Missoula County is mobilizing 130 volunteers into action to make a difference on June 23 during United Way's Day of Action, an annual event that galvanizes the caring power of volunteers to create positive change across the world.

Held annually on or around June 21, the longest day of the year, **United Way Day of Action** brings together volunteers of all ages to make their communities better. "Our Day of Action supports the work that we undertake every day," said Susan Hay Patrick, CEO of United Way of Missoula County. "We're mobilizing to improve lives in Missoula and are engaging people in our work to improve our community's health, education, financial and economic stability here," she said.

Day of Action volunteer projects in Missoula occurring 9 a.m.-4 p.m. include:

- Weeding and garden support for Garden City Harvest Community Gardens
- Landscaping work for North Missoula Community Development Corporation
- Sorting, organizing, and moving at the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula (9-noon)
- Playground painting at Chief Charlo Elementary School
- Cleaning up at Bancroft Ponds
- Helping at HomeReSource in its store and yard
- Building benches at MUD: Missoula Urban Demonstration Project (9-noon)

Volunteers include teams from:

- ALPS Insurance
- ATG Cognizant
- Blackfoot Communications
- Clearwater Credit Union
- Daily's Premium Meats
- First Interstate Bank
- HDR Engineering

- JCCS
- Providence
- Roseburg Forest Products
- Scheels Missoula
- Stockman Bank
- UM Experiential Learning
- United Way Board and Staff
- WGM Group

Thanks to sponsors Scheels and NorthWestern Energy, the day kicks-off with a breakfast for volunteers at Bonner Park at 8 a.m.

"It's all part of a strategy to rally people around building a stronger Missoula," said Patrick. United Way of Missoula County focuses on bringing our community together to solve our biggest challenges and to improve education, health and financial stability.

To learn more about United Way, visit MissoulaUnitedWay.org.

Photos and interviews available.