

Did You Know?

- Many states offer the 2-1-1 call service, reaching over 65% of the total U.S. population in 41 states and the District of Columbia.
- Vermont 2-1-1 continues to grow, with a 53% increase in calls from 2008 to 2009.
- Food, housing, fuel, material goods, financial assistance and transportation represented 23% of Vermont 2-1-1 calls in 2009.
- The Prescription Drug Discount Card program has saved Vermonters more than \$100,000 in Green Mountain United Way's region.
- Green Mountain United Way's Goods and Services Program provides on average more than \$55,000 annually in donated goods to communities.



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Green Mountain United Way

Basic Needs Initiative



**Providing resources to
individuals and families to ensure
their basic needs are met**



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**Serving Vermont Counties of
Caledonia, Essex, Orange,
Orleans & Washington**

Providing individuals and families with resources for food, clothing, shelter, fuel, transportation and other basic needs to help them find support when in need

Basic Needs Initiative

A fundamental step to creating lasting changes in the priority areas of Financial Stability, Healthy Living and Early Learning is ensuring that the basic needs of families and individuals in our communities are met.

For people to reach and maintain self-sufficiency, live healthy lifestyles and provide early learning opportunities for children, food security, transportation, housing, and financial assistance are essential.

Green Mountain United Way helps our neighbors in need by supporting our community infrastructure of churches, food shelves, non-profit organizations, homeless shelters and local businesses as well as providing resources through:

- Vermont 2-1-1
- Prescription Drug Discount Program
- Local food shelf brochures
- Goods and Services Program



What Is....

Vermont 2-1-1 is a free, confidential number to dial for information on health and human services in all Vermont communities. The call center is available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.



Goods and Services Program

provides goods donated to GMUW to local non-profit organizations. Support is provided annually to local food shelves through the annual postal workers union food drive.

Prescription Drug Discount Program

offers discount cards to individuals who do not have prescription drug insurance. It is free and no sign-up or personal information required!

Food Shelf Brochures provide an updated listing of local food shelves in the region GMUW serves. Information includes location, contact information, hours and food provided.

What You Can Do

We all play an important role in supporting our neighbors. Here's what you can do to ensure that people in your community have the resources they need:

- 1 Donate goods or time to the Goods and Services Program, food shelves and clothing drops.
- 2 Distribute Prescription Drug Discount Cards and 2-1-1 brochures in your community.
- 3 Support programming and policies that help individuals receive the resources they need.
- 4 Support GMUW with a financial contribution or through volunteering.

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