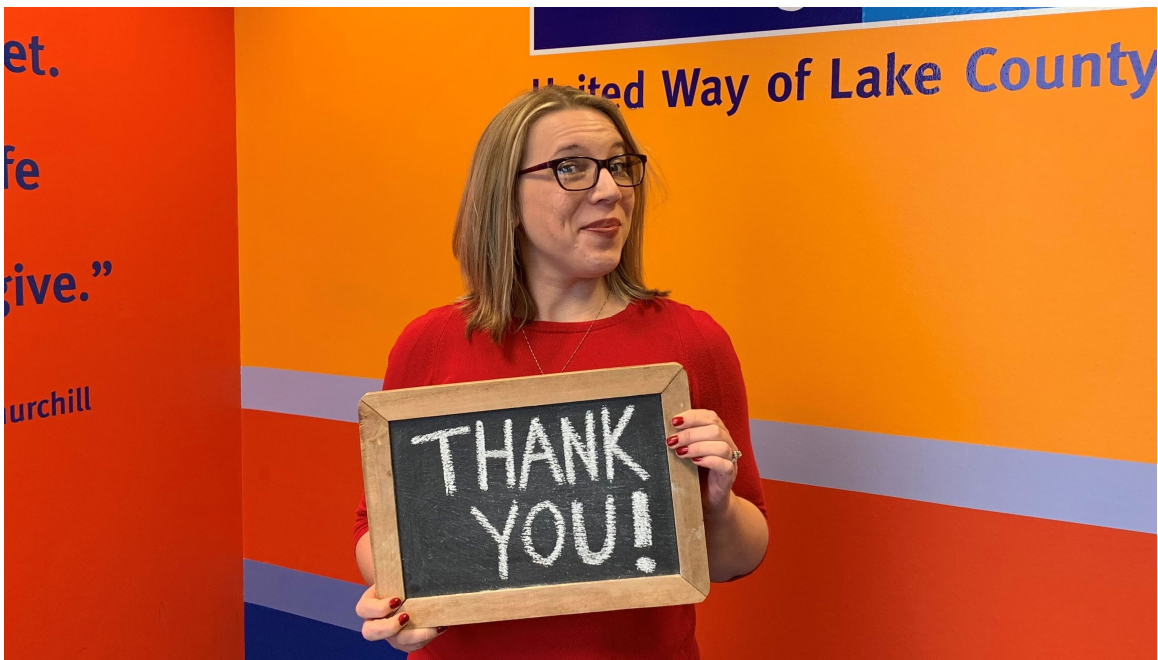




Hello!

Welcome to the ninth edition of our 211 newsletter, where we share information on 211 services and benefits, funding updates, and opportunities for you to become an advocate for 211.



Thank You, 211 Volunteers!

April is National Volunteer Appreciation Month and we are celebrating the many dedicated volunteers from all across Lake County who have joined with us to bring 211 to our community. Nearly 60 amazing volunteers, from community leaders to health and human service providers to large employers to educators and marketing professionals, have been sharing their time, talents and thought leadership to ensure the implementation is a success.

The 211 implementation taskforce and workgroups for Service Delivery, Community Engagement, Disaster Information, Marketing, and Stewardship & Sustainability are hard at work to bring this

best-in-class service to Lake County later this year.

Once launched, our vision is that 211 will serve as a vital, trusted community resource, making it easier for individuals, families and providers in Lake County to connect with a comprehensive array of health and human services that improve lives.

See a list of the 211 implementation taskforce and workgroup members who are working together to make United Way of Lake County's 211 a reality. A BIG "Thank You" to everyone involved!

[View List of Members](#)

211 Top Priority for National Association of Counties (NACo)

The National Association of Counties (NACo) recently announced its "Connecting the Unconnected" initiative as a top priority to link residents to services. Naming 211 as a specific best-in-class service delivery model that helps deliver critical services to residents in need, NACo showcases 211 as an example of leadership and innovation in effective service delivery using technology and data.

Learn how 211 San Diego, one of the largest 211 contact centers in the country, is connecting people to services and providing data trend information for proactive community planning.

[Learn More](#)

Our Community of 211 Donors

United Way of Lake County is grateful to the following community partners and individuals for their generous financial support in bringing 211 to Lake County:

- Advocate Aurora Health
- Astellas
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- Trustmark Companies
- United Way of Lake County
- Vernon Township
- Village of Gurnee
- Warren Township
- Waukegan Township
- West Deerfield Township
- Zion Township

Community Partner Spotlight



In celebration of the Chicago Bears 100th season, the Bears are looking to support 10 Community All-Pro non-profit organizations that continue to make a positive impact on the Chicagoland area, with 10 grants of \$100,000, totaling \$1 million. 211 partner agencies and organizations meeting the [grant rules](#) are strongly encouraged to consider applying for this one-time opportunity.

For more information, [click here](#) for the full web announcement or contact communityallpros@bears.nfl.net.

How Can You Help?

1. Share this email and encourage your network to [opt-in to 211 communications](#).
2. Follow United Way of Lake County on social media to receive more timely 211 updates. (Click the social icons below.)
3. [Help to sustain 211 in its second year!](#)
4. Invite us to present 211 to your company. [Click here to submit a request](#).



Best regards,

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