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Your Guide to Brown County United Way - June 2005

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Save the Date:

Campaign Manager Training will be held at the Brown County United Way offices on the following dates:

Wednesday, August 3	7:30-9:30a.m.
Wednesday, August 10	11:30-1:30p.m.
Thursday, August 25	7:30-9:30 a.m.

Please watch for additional information.

Brown County United Way seeking proposals for \$50,000 grant

The Brown County United Way is seeking proposals for programs to promote good attendance in Brown County middle and/or high schools during the 2005/2006 school year.

The decision to initiate and fund a school attendance improvement program was made by the Brown County United Way's Youth Development Impact Council in partnership with the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce Partners in Education Attendance Task Force.

"This is an exciting opportunity for our community to help kids and families understand the importance of good school attendance" said Toni Loch, President and CEO of Brown County United Way. The application deadline is 4:30 p.m. Monday, June 6, 2005.

For information, criteria, or an application, visit the Brown County United Way website at www.browncountyunitedway.org or contact Stephanie Foley at stephanie@browncountyunitedway.org

Here's the H.Y.P.E.!

Downtown H.Y.P.E. is a project funded by the University of Wisconsin-Extension bringing together three organizations which, among several other goals, share a common interest in attracting and retaining young people in our area, helping our downtown thrive, and engaging young people in community leadership. The project acronym stands for "Harnessing Young Professionals' Energy to revitalize downtown Green Bay." H.Y.P.E. will accomplish several objectives while focusing energy on our downtown. For two months, young professionals from the area will meet and network, with current students from several local educational institutions, and with local community leaders, while giving feedback on specific downtown "experiences". It's kind of like an extended focus group, kind of like a networking group, and kind of like nothing you've ever done before! If you want to find out more about the project and how you can be selected to participate as a young professional or student, visit their website at www.yppnetwork.com

Impact Council Update:

Children & Families Impact Council Develops Early Childhood Initiative

The Children and Families Impact Council of the Brown County United Way has developed an exciting initiative that will benefit all of Brown County's kids. It is called the Community Partnership for Children. This initiative will provide all parents in Brown County with the opportunity to receive information and other supportive services from the time their babies are born.

Experts say that most of the human brain's growth occurs from birth to 24 months, and that a child's destiny is largely determined in the first three years of life. When they receive the best start at birth, children are more likely to grow up safe, fully develop language and learning skills, and have good social relationships.

The objective of the Community Partnership for Children is for all Brown County hospitals to screen every birth using the same system. Assessment staff will then identify if there is a need for in-home support or other services. Hospitals began the screening process in March. An assessment coordinator, who will work directly with the hospitals' staff and with parents, will start full-time on June 1st. She will be housed at Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin, a key partner in the initiative. This was made possible through a grant from the Child Abuse Prevention Fund and additional dollars from the Brown County United Way.

To implement the initiative, Children and Families Impact Council members are building a network of local agencies, and public and private organizations including hospitals, family resource centers, businesses, libraries, and others across Brown County. For more information on how you can help by donating your time, talents, or resources, contact Sarah Inman, Community Impact Manager, at sarah@browncountyunitedway.org or at 432-3393, extension 8618.

Corporate Meetings

As Brown County United Way's 2005 Campaign approaches, three teams of volunteers are contacting local business leaders for 20-30 minute meetings to talk about Brown County United Way and the upcoming campaign. The volunteer teams represent Festival Foods, Schneider National and WPS Resources Corporation. Brown County United Way will also be setting up meetings. This is a great opportunity for United Way volunteers and corporate leaders to meet and discuss community needs. We are looking forward to meeting with you!

Strategic Plan - Volunteers Needed

The Brown County United Way is recruiting volunteers to help develop their strategic plan. The goal is to bring 200 community members together this fall to develop Brown County United Way's strategic plan. Stay tuned for details.

Brown County United Way Board of Directors

The Brown County United Way Board of Directors for the 2005/2006 year are:

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