



United Way Charlotte County

2024–2025 Community Impact Report

Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners





How United Way Ensures Accountability

The County's investment moves through a structured process from application to outcomes reporting.



This process reinforces responsible stewardship: programs are selected through review, monitored through the contract year, and evaluated through measurable outcomes.



Your Investment at a Glance

One county investment. A network of local partners. Thousands of Charlotte County residents reached.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY INVESTMENT

\$876,546

Strategically invested in local programs addressing the needs of Charlotte County residents.

Local dollars → Local impact

THE REACH

14,720

reported clients served across funded programs

25

FUNDED PROGRAMS

19

PARTNER AGENCIES

Together, these investments supported 25 local programs and expanded access to essential services across Charlotte County.



What Your Investment Made Possible

A quick look at the lasting change created across Charlotte County.

EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS



Children succeeded.

Opportunity begins with education.

BASIC NEEDS



Families found safety and stability.

Support mattered when crisis hit.

SENIORS



Older adults stayed connected and independent.

Dignity grows through connection.

FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT



Families built stronger futures.

Stability creates opportunity.

HEALTH, NAVIGATION & SUPPORT



People found the help they needed.

Access starts with knowing where to turn.

Moments that changed lives.



2024–2025 BOCC Funded Programs

Funded programs organized by priority area.

Basic Needs

\$250,889 (28.62%)

Fix-It Ministry - St. Vincent de Paul \$29,200
Family Intensive Treatment Support - Children's Network \$8,889
Family Stabilization - Children's Network \$15,000
Emergency Shelter Services - C.A.R.E. \$57,800
Shelter - SVDP CARES \$140,000

Educational Success

\$222,144 (25.34%)

One-to-One Mentoring - Big Brothers Big Sisters \$21,833
After School Program - Boys & Girls Clubs \$61,000
Summer Brain Gain Camp - Boys & Girls Clubs \$29,018
Kids Thrive Literacy Project - Drug Free Charlotte County \$6,031
Imagination Library - Gilstad Literacy Foundation \$14,936
School Age Care - YMCA \$40,000
Early Childhood Therapy Services - Florida Center \$28,000
Healthy Families Charlotte - Florida Center \$21,326

Seniors

\$84,969 (9.69%)

Senior Nutrition - Senior Friendship Centers \$7,213
Friendship at Home - Senior Friendship Centers \$64,156
Caregiver Education & Social Support - The Dubin Center \$13,600

Financial Empowerment

\$110,548 (12.61%)

Client Services - Pregnancy Solutions \$50,000
Child Care for Economically Disadvantaged - Early Learning Coalition \$60,548

Health, Navigation & Support

\$207,996 (23.73%)

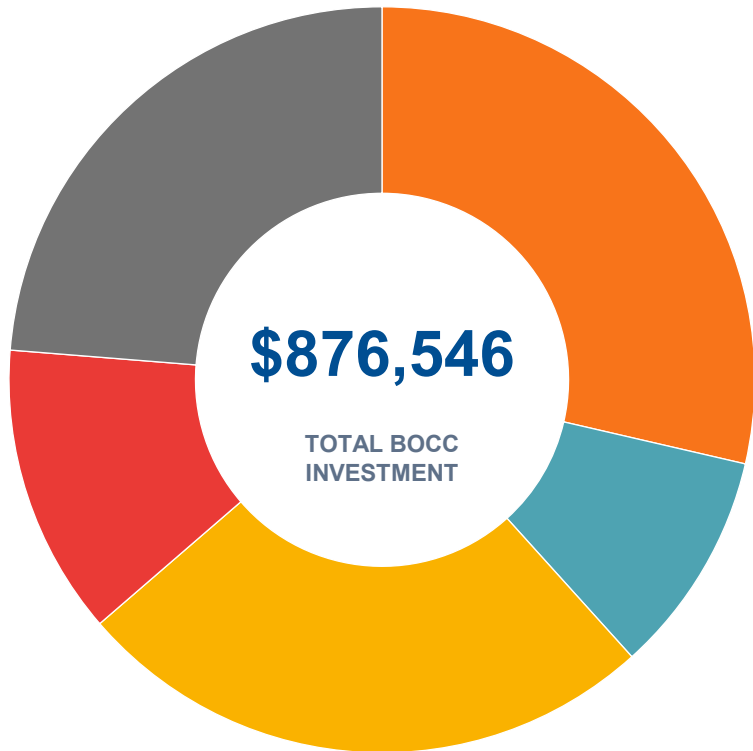
Community Navigation - YMCA \$19,340
Children's Needs - A.N.A.'s Friends \$20,547
Adult Day Training - Loveland Center \$17,233
Medical Clinic - Virginia B. Andes \$47,813
Pharmacy Program - Virginia B. Andes \$47,813
Peer to Peer Grief Support - Valerie's House \$22,100
Grief Support Counseling - Valerie's House \$33,150

Total BOCC Funds Awarded: \$876,546



Investment by Priority Area

2024–2025 BOCC funding distribution across the priority areas.



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Educational Success	\$222,144	25.34%
Financial Empowerment	\$110,548	12.61%
Health, Navigation & Support	\$207,996	23.73%

Top ZIP Codes Served: 33952 (4,416) • 33983 (1,950) • 33948 (1,892) • 33950 (1,456) • 33954 (790) • 33981 (765)



Basic Needs

Providing shelter, safety, and practical support for Charlotte County residents need it most.

34

ALICE homeowners remained safely in their homes after critical repairs through SVdP Fix-It Ministry

87

adults in crisis found immediate safety and support through C.A.R.E., providing a safe path forward when they needed it most

26

children gained critical support through Children's Network, protecting stability and helping them remain safely at home



75.6% of SVDP CARES shelter clients achieved a positive housing destination, turning emergency shelter into a pathway toward lasting housing stability.



Seniors

Helping older adults remain nourished, connected, supported, and independent in their own community.

35,238

home-delivered meals from Senior Friendship Centers helped ALICE seniors remain nourished and independent in their Charlotte County homes.

16,358

meals at Senior Friendship Centers helped local seniors stay nourished, socially connected and engaged in their community

100%

of Friendship at Home clients measured reported less isolation and loneliness, helping seniors stay connected to the community they call home



A stronger Charlotte County includes seniors who can remain healthy, connected and independent, and these investments are helping make that possible.



Educational Success

Helping children build the literacy, academic, developmental, and mentoring supports needed for long-term success.

3,746

Charlotte County children received books through Imagination Library, building early literacy skills that help prepare our youngest residents for success in school.

561

children gained academic support and positive enrichment through Boys & Girls Clubs, helping Charlotte County youth build skills and stay engaged in school.

273

Charlotte County youth received one-to-one mentoring through Big Brothers Big Sisters and advanced to the next grade on time or graduated high school.



When Charlotte County children have the tools, support and mentors to succeed, they are more likely to stay on track in school and become the strong, capable adults our community will depend on.



Financial Empowerment

Strengthening families by connecting parents to childcare, prenatal support, and resources that help create stability.

558

children accessed affordable childcare through Early Learning Coalition, helping Charlotte County parents stay in the workforce while their children learned and grew in safe, quality care

479

women and families gained support through Pregnancy Solutions, strengthening family stability and helping Charlotte County children begin life with a stronger foundation

276

young children in Early Learning Coalition's School Readiness Program were developmentally on track, helping identify concerns early so children can enter school better prepared to learn and succeed.



When Charlotte County families have access to childcare and prenatal support, parents can work, babies have healthier starts, and children are better prepared to succeed, strengthening families today and our community for the future.



Health, Navigation & Support

Connecting residents to health care, grief support, community resources, and opportunities for greater independence.

3,029

patient visits provided no-cost care through the Virginia B. Andes Medical Clinic for Charlotte County residents who have no health insurance.

2,941

prescriptions provided through Virginia B. Andes, removing cost barriers and helping residents access essential medications they may otherwise be unable to afford.

49

adults with disabilities built greater independence through Loveland's Adult Day Training, creating more opportunities to belong, participate and thrive in our community



96% of children participating in Valerie's House counseling demonstrated improved emotional expression and coping skills, giving grieving children the tools to process loss rather than carry it alone.



Return on Charlotte County's Investment

Your investment strengthened residents, agencies, and the countywide safety net.

14,720

**Reported Clients Served
Across Funded Programs**

25

Funded Programs

19

Partner Agencies

18

**ZIP codes with reported
service reach**

- Children accessed literacy, mentoring, childcare, therapy, and family supports
- Older adults received nutrition, connection, and caregiver support
- Uninsured residents accessed medical and pharmacy services
- Families and individuals accessed shelter, safety, stabilization, and grief support
- Funded partners reported outcomes, service reach, and program performance



Community Trends & Looking Ahead

Themes reported by agencies point to continued pressure on residents and providers.

Housing affordability

Housing remains a recurring barrier to safety, shelter exit, and family stability.

Behavioral health

Programs continue seeing increased need for mental health, grief, substance use, and family supports.

Transportation

Access to services, healthcare, and employment remains harder when transportation is limited.

Workforce capacity

Agencies continue balancing demand with staffing, volunteer recruitment, and operational pressures.

Looking ahead, the strongest community investments will continue to combine direct service, nonprofit capacity, collaboration, and outcome monitoring.



Agency Strength & System Capacity

Funded partners reported progress, adaptations, and continued work to meet community demand.

Growth & transitions

Leadership transitions, strategic planning, and new service models continued across partners.

Community engagement

Partners strengthened referrals, collaborations, board engagement, and outreach efforts.

Operational pressure

Agencies reported growing demand, funding uncertainty, and staffing/volunteer capacity concerns.

Program improvement

Programs adjusted service delivery, improved navigation, and expanded supports where demand increased.



More Ways We Strengthen Charlotte County

United Way connects people, resources and partners across our community, beyond BOCC-funded programs.



211

Connecting Charlotte County residents to local help and essential resources.



Season of Sharing + United at Work

Helping local households navigate financial emergencies and regain stability.



VITA

Free tax preparation that helps residents keep more of the money they earn.



Volunteer Platform + COAD

Connecting volunteers and partners while strengthening coordinated community response.



Children's Enrichment Fund

Opening doors to experiences and opportunities for Charlotte County children.



Peace River Elementary Community School

Bringing community partners and resources directly to students and families.

ONE UNITED WAY. MANY WAYS TO STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITY.

Connecting residents to help • strengthening families • mobilizing volunteers • supporting children • building community resilience



Because of your investment...
we are building a stronger Charlotte County.