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Dear Green County Neighbors and Friends,

WE can change the story! During the unprecedented times of COVID-19, we came together, we worked together, we took action! This past year was unlike any other and we have many hometown heroes who have worked tirelessly to keep our communities safe and thriving. We are so very grateful for our health care workers, our public health professionals, our childcare providers, our teachers, our first responders, and so many more who stepped up in big ways last year! I am proud to share that these community heroes are this year's honorary campaign co-chairs! Thank you for coming together when we needed you most. Thank you for helping to take care of our communities.

So, how can we change the story? We can come together, united in our desire to help each other and to make our communities stronger. We can mobilize the best resources and inspire others to join us. We need people who know that within all of us is a desire to belong and to do good. We need people who recognize the power that comes from a shared purpose. We need people who understand we are always stronger together than we are alone. We need YOU! People like YOU make our communities great!

When you support United way, you're not just supporting many local community programs and organizations, you are also supporting the collaborative work that is happening each and every day – the work to assess our community needs, the work to develop an action plan, and the work to put the plan into action!

When you support United Way, you are helping our children grow and thrive. United Way works collaboratively with many community partners to provide increased access and exposure to early, high quality educational opportunities for our kids. Together, we are creating opportunities for our children to succeed and setting them up to have bright futures!

When you support United Way, you are helping our neighbors connect with the critical resources they need to be able to stay in their homes, maintain employment, and continue to be an integral part of our community, our workforce, and our economy. Together, we are providing opportunities for people to move forward from uncertainty to stability.

When you support United Way, you are helping to ensure everyone in our community has enough food to eat, a place to sleep, access to dental care, and access to mental health and other preventative healthcare services. Together, we are creating communities where we can all thrive and where everyone feels welcomed, valued, and included.

When you support United Way, **your contributions stay right HERE - in Green County** - and the help that you provide touches the lives of people all around you. Please take a few minutes to learn more about United Way and the work we are doing all throughout the county. If you have made a donation in the past, THANK YOU! Please consider continuing your support by making a contribution to this year's campaign. If this is your first time considering a donation, there is no better time than now! It is only **with YOUR help** that the United Way can fight for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in Green County. Together, by celebrating our strengths, embracing our diversity, and working collaboratively to address community issues, we can do what no one person or organization can do alone. TOGETHER we can LIVE UNITED!

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