



UWSCC CommUNITY Chronicles

a monthly newsletter for the community

Together for Our Neighbors: *Bridging Gaps & Building Hope*

For 80 years, United Way of SCC has been working to build hope and strengthen our community. Help us continue this legacy of compassion and support by contributing to our 80 for 80 campaign. Together, let's bridge gaps, support our neighbors, and create a brighter future.



Build Hope for the Community

A Message from UWSCC

Dear Neighbors,

As a fellow resident of Southern Chester County for almost 18 years, I've watched this community grow and thrive. My children grew up here, attended the Unionville-Chadds Ford School District, and all three are now in college. Like many of you, we moved here for the

good schools, the safe neighborhoods, and the sense of community found here. And I've come to realize that this wonderful quality of life doesn't happen by accident.



What many don't see is the hard work being done by nonprofits that serve families in need right here in our region. The reason we don't often see the struggles of poverty or the growing ALICE population (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) is because these agencies are quietly making a difference each and every day.

I know there are many worthy nonprofits to support, but as someone who loves this community, I ask you to consider United Way of SCC this December. Your donation will help sustain the quality of life that makes Southern Chester County so special.

Thank you for being part of this wonderful community.

Wishing you a joyous holiday season,

Stacia Torrey
Development Director

In the CommUNITY



Housing Partnership of Chester County: Making Homes Safer and Lives Better

The mission of the Housing Partnership of Chester County (HPCC) is to improve the quality of life for low-to-moderate income



Give the Gift of Hope and Care this Year!

A gift of \$80 may be small, but it makes a huge difference in our community! This holiday season, we invite you to join us in celebrating

residents by providing the tools to secure and maintain decent, affordable housing. HPCC plays a vital role in supporting residents across the county, ensuring that homes are safe, accessible, and affordable through numerous programs.

[Read More](#)

the power of collective giving through United Way of Southern Chester County's 80 for 80 campaign. With a simple \$80 donation in honor of someone special, you can help us create meaningful change in our community.

[Make an Honorary Gift](#)



LIVE BETTER with The Kennett Library

Kennett Library continues to bring its "Live Better" health literacy program to the community. With monthly themes promoting access to health-based information that is free for ALL, these informational activities are run through the library with the collaboration of many non-profit and professional agencies in Chester County. This month's focus is on Period Poverty and opening dialogue around menstruation within families.

[More Information](#)



Community Connection

♥ *Community Support Starts with You!* ♥

This holiday season, our local nonprofits are here to bridge gaps and bring comfort to our community—but they can't do it alone. Take a moment to support by donating food or wish list items, volunteering, or simply sharing their message. Let's make sure no one is left behind this season.

[View Volunteer Opportunities](#)

Help End Period Poverty in January

This January, United Way Southern Chester County is hosting a Period Product Drive to support cycling individuals in our community. Period poverty—lack of access to menstrual products—can force students to miss school and adults to miss work, impacting their education, livelihoods, and dignity.



We're collecting donations of feminine hygiene products at two locations:

- UWSCC Office: 712 E. Baltimore Pike, Kennett Square
- Kennett Library

Products will be distributed during the Kennett Library's Tea Talk event on January 18 and through local organizations that connect these essentials to those who need them most. Together, we can ensure everyone in our community has the resources to live with dignity.

Join us in making a difference—donate today!

Special Meals on Wheels Winter Food Drive

Meals on Wheels Chester County (MOWCC) partners with 13 facilities throughout the county in order to prepare and deliver hot meals to over 800 homebound seniors five days a week. With winter approaching, there will be days where inclement weather prevents volunteers from making deliveries. MOWCC is preparing "snow packs" filled with shelf stable foods to help provide food security for seniors on those days. They are looking for low sodium, low sugar, easy-to-prepare items to fill these packs.



If you are interested in providing items or running a food drive on their behalf, please contact **Patrice** at MOWCC. A listing of items can be found on [this flyer](#).

CommUNITY Calendar

December
14/15

Holiday Village Market

At the Creamery of Kennett Square, 401 Birch Street. The market is presented by Kennett Collaborative and Square Roots Collective, nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping Kennett Square thrive. Each day boasts a rotating selection of more than

40 artisan vendors, exclusive beverages & hot drinks, food trucks, and family activities. To find our more, to volunteer, or for a vendor application [visit their website.](#)

December

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Just My Reflection Wellness Group

This mental health wellness group meets the third Thursday of the month to support people and help them find solace while dealing with loss. They meet at Galilee Union AME Church in Avondale from 6:30-7:30pm. More information can be found [here.](#)

January

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Three Kings Day Celebration

At the Creamery of Kennett Square, 401 Birch Street. The Three Kings Day Celebration is presented by Square Roots Collective. To find our more or to volunteer [visit their website.](#)

January

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Red Cross Blood Drive at the Kennett Library

The Kennett Library is hosting a blood drive for Red Cross on Saturday, January 11 from 9a-2p. [Register here.](#)

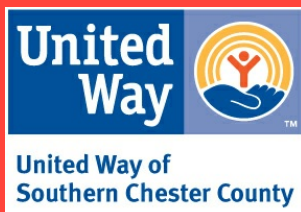
February

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Kennett Winterfest

Over 60 local, regional, and award-winning breweries bring their best for Kennett Winterfest ticket holders to sample. Brewers often create something new and special to bring to Kennett Winterfest. Live music, food trucks, and a great selection of beer-centric vendors round out the event. [Tickets on sale now.](#)

For a comprehensive list of all upcoming Community events, please visit our [events calendar](#) on our website.



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