



Philanthropy and community involvement—  
it all happens here



2006 Annual Report

Valley United Way  
Serving Ansonia, Derby, Oxford, Seymour and Shelton



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\*2006 Agency Representatives  
to the Corporation

## Report from Board Chair and President



Ruth Parkins, Board Chair



Jack Walsh, President

“Philanthropy and community involvement – it all happens here.” The theme of this year’s Annual Report is a fitting way of describing just what goes on every day at Valley United Way. We make it very easy for individuals and corporations to meet their philanthropic and community goals and to have the greatest possible impact on the community.

This year marked a major transition for the Valley United Way as we relocated our offices after more than twenty years. As our hosts, friends and supporters at Ansonia Copper & Brass are undergoing their own transition, we had to find a new headquarters for United Way. Thanks to the generosity and support of Fletcher Thompson, we were fortunate to move into sparkling new space in Shelton that will allow us to better serve the community. A grant from the Raymond P. Lavietes Foundation underwrote the costs of the move which

was accomplished without interruption to our work. The Raymond P. Lavietes Conference Room was reestablished in the new office space allowing us to continue to offer the community’s nonprofit organizations a facility for meetings and trainings.

Coordinating philanthropy in the community was the original thrust for creating United Ways, and Valley United Way’s Annual Community Campaign is still our core activity. That campaign, under the able leadership of Mike Marcinek, has continued to evolve to meet the needs of our donors. Workplace campaigns have become more complex and donors have asked for more options in giving. Valley United Way has responded with more choices and electronic campaigning tools that streamline the process. And yet, at its heart, the campaign still brings people together to meet the financial need to provide support for a wide variety of services in the community.

The allocations process has also continued to evolve in an effort to generate greater impact and accountability. Our process now includes a mix of traditional allocations and special grants that meet both ongoing and emerging needs. Under the leadership of Peter Galla, the Allocations Committee is now a year-round activity. The strength of the program is an allocations process involving dozens of volunteers examining budgets and conducting site visits and program reviews prior to making funding recommendations to the Board of Directors.

In addition to the funding of programs provided by partner agencies, the Allocations Committee advises the Board of Directors on a variety of special needs grants funded through donor-designated dollars. These “mini-grants” represent a second, smaller round of allocations designed to meet special needs arising during the year. These grants are tied to targeted special areas of need such as elderly or youth services designated by donors during the annual campaign.

The Board of Directors has made a conscious decision to strategically use reserves to fund new and emerging issues facing the community. During the past year they funded an early childhood behavioral intervention program and made special grants to the Ansonia Project to support a new YMCA day care facility and a new Boys & Girls Club, and to the Spooner House to support the new shelter in Shelton.

Valley United Way also provided funding to new partners working on specific issues in the community. A special grant allowed the Early Childhood Committee of the Valley Council for Health and Human Services to complete a study of the Valley’s capacity in the area of early childhood and to publish a Child Care Resource Guide for the Valley. We also hosted a regional forum on child care issues along with the United Way of Milford. This forum provided input to the Governor’s Early Childhood Cabinet that will have a major impact on the future direction of state

funded early childhood funding. We also continued to serve as the fiduciary agent for Ansonia’s Discovery grant from the William P. Graustein Foundation and work with the other Discovery communities in the Valley through the Early Childhood Committee.

We were also delighted to partner with the new Hewitt Foundation and the Senior Services Council of the Valley Council for Health & Human Services to fund a new study on elder issues in the Valley that will be completed in 2007 and set the stage for better planning and funding in an area of need that will continue to grow in the years ahead.

One of our major strengths at Valley United Way is the ability to work together with many groups throughout the community. Through the great work of our Volunteer Center, under the direction of Pat Tarasovic, we make it easy for individuals and groups to get directly involved and we help foster the spirit of volunteerism for which the Valley is known. Please take time to read the reports in this document related to the inspiring work done by our Corpo-

ter. As one of the first United Ways in the country to recognize the need to provide services whenever people want them, we are proud to offer Volunteer Solutions as part of our award winning website.

Our Youth Leadership Program continues to amaze us. We have found when you give our high school students some training and the opportunity to be leaders, they achieve beyond expectations. This year’s group went so far as to produce their own videos related to critical issues facing teens that they identified during their training. Those videos are being used in high schools throughout the Valley and can also be seen on our website.

Though we have already mentioned several examples of our work with others in the community, we are especially proud of the relationship that we have had with the Valley Council for Health and Human Services since its inception. Valley United Way is pleased to host and provide a variety of support services to this unique collaborative of nonprofit agencies that are the backbone of health and

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rate Volunteer Council and the High School Volunteer Council. They continue to prove that volunteering is not only important for the community, but also a fun and rewarding experience for everyone involved. And don’t forget to check out our on-line volunteer cen-

human services programming in the Valley.

The Valley Needs & Opportunities Project wrapped up its activities during the year, and we were pleased to have been involved with their community planning

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## Report from Board Chair and President (cont.)

efforts from their inception. We thank Catherine Adsitt for her outstanding work as Director of the program, including her work on the transportation study completed during the year, and look forward to working with other groups taking on this planning function in the years ahead.

The Finance Committee provided excellent guidance and stewardship during the year in helping the Board to make the funding decisions mentioned earlier. Operating under a new fiscal year for the first time, they helped to keep the organization in a very sound financial condition

as we strategically reduced our accumulated reserves to fund the important new grants mentioned above, while still maintaining adequate reserves to meet any emergency that might arise.

Our community involvement and leadership is a

byproduct of our committed volunteers and donors who share our vision for an ever higher quality of life in the Valley. It is also the direct result of a strong and active Board of Directors and a dedicated and talented staff. Together, we make a team with a real impact on life in the Valley.

## Valley United Way

### 2006-07 Campaign Underwriters

Barnum Financial Group,  
an office of MetLife  
Financial Services

Birmingham Utilities

Comcast

Coordinated Transportation  
Solutions, Inc.

David M. Grant Caterers

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System, L.P.

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Casey Advertising

Naugatuck Savings Bank

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The United Illuminating  
Company

Venman & Company

W.E. Bassett Company

Webster Bank

### Board of Directors

#### Officers

##### Ruth Parkins\*

Chair

Iroquois Gas Transmission  
System, L.P.

##### Thomas Welch\*

Vice-Chair

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& Teodosio

##### Michael S. Marcinek\*

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Fletcher-Thompson, Inc.

##### Joseph Andreana\*

Secretary

CT Alliance of Boys & Girls  
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#### Other Members

##### Lisa Behling

Webster Bank

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Barnum Financial Group,  
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##### Yuk Ping Ng

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##### Cheryl Nickerson

People's Bank

##### William C. Nimons

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& Loan

##### Joseph Pagliaro Jr.

Riverview & Adzima Funeral  
Homes

##### William C. Partington

Naugatuck Valley Savings  
& Loan

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Development Corporation

##### Robin Skowronski

City of Shelton

##### Russell Stockman

Venman & Co., LLC

##### Larry Thomas

Ansonia Housing Authority

##### Cynthia Troxler

Health Net

##### Robert VanEgghen

PerkinElmer Precisely

*\*Executive Committee*



Valley United Way staff brightening Christmas for others.

### Valley United Way Staff

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#### Nancy Roshka

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#### Jane Snaider\*

Director of Resource  
Development

\* left during the year

### Community Grant Funded Programs staffed at offices of Valley United Way

#### Catherine Adsitt\*

Director, Valley Needs and  
Opportunities Project

#### Lynn Ortoli

Administrative Assistant  
Valley Council for Health &  
Human Services  
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# Diane Stroman receives the Charles H. Flynn Humanitarian Award



Diane Stroman

Diane Stroman, Vice President of Development at TEAM, Inc., has been named the winner of the Charles H. Flynn Humanitarian Award for 2007. The long-time Ansonia resident has been a very active and dedicated member of the community serving in a variety of positions throughout the Valley. Jack Walsh, President and C.O.O. at Valley United Way said that, "Diane's record of service to the Valley community is second to none. It's remarkable to look at the time and effort she has put into so many organizations that benefit the lives of all who live and work in the Valley. She is another outstanding leader to add to the list of people who've received this prestigious award."

In addition to her community work with TEAM, Inc., Ms. Stroman is very active as a member of the Board of Directors for the Lower

Naugatuck Valley Boys & Girls Club, the Curtissey Corporation and the Connecticut Hurricanes. She is the Vice Chairperson for the Julian A. Taylor Scholarship Committee and Commissioner for the City of Ansonia Elderly Services.

Ms. Stroman is a member of the Advisory Board of the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven and its Valley Needs and Opportunities Committee as well as the Ansonia Fair Housing Commission and the Tinney Center GED Advisory Board.

Ms. Stroman is also an active member of the Valley NAACP and the Derby/Shelton Rotary Club and a corporator for Birmingham Group Health Services, Valley United Way and Griffin Hospital.

She previously served on the Ansonia Board of Education, and the Boards of Directors for Griffin Hospi-

tal, the Valley YMCA, the Valley Red Cross, Ansonia Community Action, the Salvation Army and Birmingham Group Health Services' Business Advisory Board. She has also been a Youth Advisor for the NAACP and the Be a Better Youth Girls Club.

Ms. Stroman is a member of the Evangel Temple Church of God in Christ where she serves as Church Clerk and Senior Usher President.

Her work in the community has previously been recognized many times including the NAACP Regional Youth Advisor of the Year Award, Ansonia Housing Authority Community Award, Evangel Temple Living Legacy Award, Ansonia Community Action Agency Community Award, Woman that Make a Difference Award, James H. Wilkinson Lodge Community Service Award, Valley Chamber of Commerce

Gold Seal Award and most recently the 2006 Valley Advisory Committee Chairman's Award.

Ms. Stroman is a graduate of Ansonia High School and holds a BS degree in Business Management from Albertus Magnus College. Prior to her employment with TEAM, she worked for Uniroyal, Inc. and IBM.

She resides in Ansonia with her husband of 25 years, John Stroman and they are the proud parents of two children, Eric Edmonds and Courtney Stroman and one grandson, Daniel John Edmonds.

Diane Stroman is an extraordinary individual who has created a remarkable record of achievement for her work in the Valley and an incredibly worthy recipient of the Charles H. Flynn Humanitarian Award.



Charles H. Flynn

## Charles H. Flynn

The award is named for Charles H. Flynn who was the editor of The Evening Sentinel, a daily newspaper that was the main source of community information in the Valley area. Mr. Flynn was also one of the founders of the Valley United Fund. He had been president of the Ansonia Community Chest. In 1968, he led that organization into a merger with the Derby-Shelton Community Chest and the Seymour United Fund which resulted in the formation of what is now the Valley United Way.

## The Charles H. Flynn Humanitarian Award Past Recipients

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2006 — William C. Nimons          | 1988 — Rev. Francis M. McKenna |
| 2005 — David M. Rifkin            | 1987 — Edward Cowey            |
| 2004 — Janice Sheehy              | 1986 — Frank Casaveri          |
| 2003 — Kenneth E. Schaible        | 1985 — George Berman           |
| 2002 — Joseph A. Pagliaro, Sr.    | 1984 — Helen T. Ragusa         |
| 2001 — Norman Santa               | 1983 — Richard L. Schuster     |
| 2000 — William C. Bassett         | 1982 — Edmund P. Strang        |
| 1999 — William D. Coffey          | 1981 — Anna L. LoPresti        |
| 1998 — William M. Miller          | 1980 — Joseph A. Doyle         |
| 1997 — Julius I. Douglas          | 1979 — Edward W. Miller        |
| 1996 — Mary L. Pepe               | 1978 — Franklin S. Harris      |
| 1995 — Madeleine Sobin            | 1977 — Margaret C. Belden      |
| 1994 — John F. Costigan           | 1976 — Audrey E. Heusser       |
| 1993 — Raymond P. Lavietes        | 1975 — Irene G. Smith          |
| 1992 — John W. Gatison, Jr.       | 1974 — Edward J. Cotter, Jr.   |
| 1991 — Doris L. and G. Bush Clark | 1973 — Donald W. Mark          |
| 1990 — G. Jeffrey Reynolds        | 1972 — L. Raymond Darling      |
| 1989 — Bartholomew J. Hennessey   | 1971 — Alice Russ Cochran      |

## Campaign Chair's Message



Michael S. Marcinek

### Philanthropy and Community Involvement — It All Happens Here.

The single most important activity at Valley United Way continues to be our annual fundraising campaign. Though it is impossible to meet all the needs of the community, a successful campaign is the first step to having a measurable impact on those needs. The annual campaign provides an opportunity for everyone who lives and/or works in



Ruth Parkins, Mike Marcinek and Bob Scinto enjoying Valley United Way's first-ever wine tasting event.

the community to be a partner in philanthropy by making a one-time contribution that benefits the entire community.

Our campaign has grown more diverse in recent years with new technologies and choices that make it easier than ever for individuals to fulfill their philanthropic goals.

This year's campaign officially began with a Kickoff hosted by our friends at Kerite, a Valley business for more than 150 years, and wraps up with the annual meeting and awards reception. During the past eight months, we have had an incredible campaign season that now

goes year-round. However, I want to thank all of those who built a successful campaign starting with the members of this year's Campaign Cabinet who set the tone and direction for the campaign.

A few days after the Kick-off, the R.D. Scinto organization staged our first-ever wine tasting event which we hope to incorporate as a regular campaign activity. We owe a special thanks to Bob Scinto, Katie Scinto and all of their staff for a great evening.

Special thanks go out to Liz Kennard and her crew at Tele-Media, who once again produced our video that helped tell the story of Valley United Way and represents our most effective marketing tool.

And speaking of special thanks, I'd be remiss if I didn't single out the company coordinators and volunteers who staged such creative campaigns as OCI's Hawaiian theme and Iroquois' Yellow Brick Road event. They prove that campaign can be not only rewarding, but fun!

I also want to offer a special thanks to Jane Snaider, former Director of Resource Development at Valley United Way. Jane



Jane Snaider, former Director of Resource Development, brought innovation and energy to many successful campaigns.

had been innovative and dynamic in providing the needed energy that serves as the bedrock for building a successful campaign.

Jane has moved on to a new position and, though we will miss Jane, we wish her the best in her new career and thank her for her contribution while she was here.

The fruits of our annual campaign can be found all around us. Our community is fortunate to have numerous youth services keeping our children occupied and safe, shelters for the homeless and abused, and counseling services for those in crisis. Thanks to the generosity of hundreds of individuals and corporations who have contributed to our annual campaign, we are having a positive impact on the lives of thousands of people in the Valley.

With the inevitable transition that will be taking place while we hire a new Director of Resource Development, I have agreed to stay on for another year as chair of the campaign and invite everyone in the community to join me in ensuring that this critical activity continues to grow to meet our needs.

### Campaign Cabinet 2006 – 07

**Michael Marcinek**  
General Chair  
Fletcher-Thompson

**Joseph Andreana**  
Chair, Board Development  
CT Alliance of the Boys and Girls Club

**Nick and Ernestine Luise Ron and Peggy Villani**  
Co-chairs  
Alexis de Tocqueville Society

**David M. Grant**  
Leadership Giving  
David M. Grant Caterers

**Jennifer Bull**  
Chair, Professional Division  
Dworken Hillman LaMorte Sterzcala, P.C.

**Joseph Pagliaro, Jr**  
Business Division, Shelton  
Riverview and Adzima Funeral Homes

**Elizabeth Buckley Carla Sullivan**  
Business Division, Shelton  
Barnum Financial

**David Kelly John Morreale**  
Business Division, Ansonia  
Spectrum Plastics

**Lisa Behling**  
Business Division, Seymour  
Webster Bank

**William Purcell**  
Business Division, Regional  
Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce

**William Partington**  
Business Division,  
Oxford/Shelton  
Naugatuck Valley Savings and Loan

**Michael Wynne**  
Community Division  
Parent Child Resource Center

**Mayor Jim DellaVolpe**  
Municipal Division  
City of Ansonia

# Leadership Giving



Bill Bassett, new Alexis de Tocqueville member.

## The Alexis de Tocqueville Leadership Society —

United Way of America established this prestigious society as a national leadership recognition program to recognize individual donors who contribute \$10,000 or more to their local United Way.

### Members

William C. & Judy Bassett  
Ernestine & Nick Luise  
Kenneth Schaible  
Ron & Peggy Villani  
The Raymond P. Lavietes Foundation

**The Commodore Isaac Hull Society** — Valley United Way's leadership-giving program, The Commodore Isaac Hull Society, recognizes those caring individuals who commit themselves to providing substantial support to our United Way. Members of the Hull Society are caring and sharing people who lead by example in the community by ensuring that needed human and social services continue to be made available to all citizens of the Lower Nausaugatuck Valley. Society members are dedicated to improving the quality of life in our Valley community. These caring and sharing people set the tone for opening doors of opportunity to the young; who nurture the spirit of volunteerism of which we are so justly proud, who maintain the human services that enable so many to live in the quiet dignity we all cherish. In short, these are the people who are in the forefront of the struggle to provide a better way of life to every age and generation.

### 2006 Commodore Isaac Hull Society Members

*(This list is accurate as of 3/12/07)*

#### Admiral's Circle

*Annual gifts of \$5,000-\$9,999*

Raymond & Janet Blanchette  
Edward J. Holm

#### Commodore's Circle

*Annual gifts of \$2,500-\$4,999*

Ann Marie Carreau  
Laura J. Donahue  
Bernard Lavin  
Robert Little  
Michael Marcinek  
Ned & Marianne Miller

Anju Sikka  
Julia Stansbury  
John Tokarz  
Cynthia Troxler  
Jack Walsh

#### Captain's Circle\*

*Annual gifts of \$1,000-\$2,499  
\*This level has anonymous donors*

Joseph & Patricia Andreana  
Karla Austen  
Paul Bailey  
Michael Barber  
William H. Bassett  
James Beaudin  
Barbara Beeler  
Richard & Bertha Belden  
Monty Blakeman  
Daniel Brennan  
Greg Cann  
Lauren Casalveri  
Darren Challey  
Pascal Charroppin  
Dolores Chew  
Joanne Cinicola  
William & Mary Coffey  
William Cook  
Marilyn Cormack  
Virginia Costigan  
Allan and Anne Cribbins  
Mildred M. Davey  
Ed DeMarseilles  
Patricia Desautels  
Paul Diehl  
Alida Dodd  
Frederick & Lisa Elmy  
Craig Finney  
Robert Fiscus  
William Foglio  
Kathy Frascino  
John & Mildred Frey  
Christine Grabelski  
Lorna Graham  
David M. Grant  
Salvatore Graziano & Francesca Sergi  
Barbara Gromet  
Tim Gugino  
Diane Gusch  
Christine Hall-Finney

James E. Haswell  
Sanford Herman  
Annmarie Jonsson  
James Kean  
Joseph Kozlowski  
Ellen Krite Meyer  
William Lamoreaux  
William Lesko  
Dorothy Lucas  
Maryanne Mascolo  
Richard L. Matthies  
Charlotte McLean  
Francis H. Michaud, Jr.  
William Midgley  
William M. Miller, Jr.  
David P. Norton  
Joseph Pagliaro, Jr.  
Nello Palma  
Ruth Parkins  
Lynne Perry  
William Purcell  
Gary Reilly  
Jack Ribas  
Arthur & Shirley Rider  
Richard Rosen  
Scott Rupff  
Cindy Ryall  
George & Bea Ryan  
John Ryan  
Michele Saczynski  
Theodore Sadlouskos  
Lynn Saylor  
Thomas Sciuto  
Thomas Sheffield  
Ellen Skinner  
Parry Spahr  
Jennifer Stannard  
Lynn Miller & Thomas Sutnik  
Patricia & Nicholas Tarasovic  
Dominick Thomas  
John Tomac  
Phillip Tulley  
Anthony Vallillo  
Lisa Vanderminden  
John Vavra  
David R. Wiemer  
Ken Wilczewski  
Lucius Wood

The following companies have one or more leadership givers in the Commodore Isaac Hull Society:

Birmingham Group Health Services  
Birmingham Utilities  
Blakeman Construction  
Boys & Girls Club of the LNV  
CT Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc.  
Curtiss-Ryan Honda  
David M. Grant Caterers  
Derby Cellular Products  
Duchess Family Restaurants  
Dworken Hillman LaMorte Sterczala, P.C.  
Edward F. Adzima & Riverview Funeral Homes  
Fletcher-Thompson, Inc.  
General Electric  
Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce  
Hasler, Inc.  
Health Net of the Northeast  
Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.  
Key Development  
Ned Miller Associates, Inc.  
OCE Imagistics International  
OCI Chemical Corporation  
People's Bank  
Robert D. Scinto, Inc.  
Seymour Public Schools  
The United Illuminating Co.  
The W.E. Bassett Company  
Valley United Way  
Venman & Company, LLC  
Visiting Nurse Association

# 2006 Campaign Awards

## Special Awards

### CVC Corporate Citizen of the Year

OCI Chemical Corporation

### Most Creative

Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

### Model Campaign

Sikorsky Aircraft

### Chairman's Award

William Purcell  
Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce

### New Campaign Award

Basement Systems

### Outstanding Team

The United Illuminating Company

Chris Ehler  
Alice Martin  
Shelly Saczynski  
Peter Stelma  
Jim Torgerson  
Tony Vallillo  
UI Diversity Team



Hawaiian Luau was the theme for the OCI Chemical campaign.

## Top Dollars Raised Campaigns

*Combined Corporate and Employee Giving of \$10,000 or more (as of 3/5/07)*

Basement Systems  
General Electric  
Griffin Hospital  
Health Net of the Northeast  
Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.  
MBI, Inc.  
OCI Chemical Corporation  
People's Bank  
Shelton Public Schools  
Sikorsky Aircraft  
Spectrum Plastics Molding, Inc.  
Stop & Shop Companies  
The United Illuminating Company  
The W.E. Bassett Company  
Wachovia Bank  
Webster Bank

## Corporate Giving Awards

*(listing accurate as of 2/8/07)*

### Gold

*(Corporate per capita gifts of \$75 or more per employee)*

Birmingham Utilities  
Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.  
MBI, Inc.  
Ned Miller Associates, Inc.  
OCI Chemical Corporation  
The W.E. Bassett Company

### Silver

*(Corporate per capita gifts of \$60-\$74.99 per employee)*

David M. Grant Caterers  
Spectrum Plastics Molding, Inc.

## Employee Giving Awards

*(listing accurate as of 2/7/07)*

### Gold

*(Employee per capita giving of \$125 or more)*

Birmingham Utilities  
Dworken Hillman LaMorte Sterczala, P.C.  
Fletcher-Thompson, Inc.  
Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce  
Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.  
OCI Chemical Corporation  
The W.E. Bassett Company  
Valley United Way

### Silver

*(Employee per capita giving of \$75-\$124.99)*

American Red Cross  
Area Congregations Together  
Catholic Charities  
Nishball, Carp, Niedermeier, Pacowta & Co.

### Bronze

*(Employee per capita giving of \$50-\$74.99)*

Birmingham Group  
Boys & Girls Club of the LNV  
Derby Cellular Products, Inc.  
Hasler, Inc.  
Health Net of the Northeast  
Ned Miller Associates, Inc.  
Parent Child Resource Center  
R.D. Scinto Inc.  
Spectrum Plastics Molding, Inc.  
The United Illuminating Company  
Venman & Company



Dorothy, the Lion and the Tin Man are off to see the Wizard at Iroquois Gas Transmission System's kickoff.



# Allocations Report



Ensuring a safe summer at the "Rec".

The Allocations Committee has the charge of reviewing applications for funding and making recommendations to the Board of Directors. What was once a one-time-a-year process has now transitioned into a year-round activity. The Allocations Committee not only conducts the traditional allocation process for programs provided by partner agencies, but also reviews a mini-grant

program and all special requests for funding. At its heart, the Committee continues to be responsible to the community by being drawn from the community. During the past year, 32 people participated in the process which included examining agency programs and budgets, conducting site visits and making informed recommendations to the Board of Directors for actual funding.

United Way funded programs at twenty-three partner agencies providing direct service in the Valley. In addition, the Special Needs grants program allocated funds that donors have designated for specific areas of need in the Valley. Programs funded through these small grants

included child care, community planning, educational opportunities, and health & safety programs.

Special grants were provided for an early childhood behavioral intervention program, early childhood and senior services studies, and capital grants for the new homeless shelter and the Ansonia Project which will include a new Boys & Girls Club and a YMCA Day Care program.

We also need to note that in addition to the dollars allocated through the allocations process, United Way also provides additional funding to a wide variety of agencies through donor designated dollars that are sent directly to agencies as provided by the donor.

As funding opportunities become diversified, the challenge for the Allocations Committee is to ensure that funded programs deliver the greatest possible impact and measurable outcomes to the community.

Though in the midst of a transition to better fit the new community impact model, Valley United Way's allocation process assures accountability and impact to the donors who support United Way. We thank the donors, Mike Marcinek and his campaign volunteers and the Board of Directors for providing the resources and guidance to make the allocations process so valuable to the community.

## Allocations Committee

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Better Packages

# Valley United Way Partner Agencies 2006 - 2007

	Allocation	Designation as of 3/15/07
<b>Supporting People in Crisis</b>		
American Red Cross-LNV Chapter (203) 735-9518	\$80,850	\$1,412
Area Congregations Together (203) 734-1638	\$16,000	\$2,171
Family & Children's Aid: Safe Homes Program (203) 748-5689	\$5,000	\$295
Infoline – 2-1-1	\$10,092	
The Morris Foundation/Liberty Center (203) 735-8761	\$25,000	
New Haven Legal Assistance (203) 946-4811	\$8,000	
Rape Crisis Center of Milford (203) 874-8712	\$18,000	\$391
The Umbrella (203) 736-2601	\$29,000	\$2,404
Visiting Nurse Association of South Central CT (203) 777-5521	\$20,000	\$1,015
<b>Preparing Youth for Success</b>		
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern CT (203) 366-3766	\$9,000	\$358
Boys and Girls Club - Lower Naugatuck Valley (203) 924-7462	\$100,000	\$7,087
Boy Scouts – Housatonic Council (203) 734-3329	\$53,000	\$1,971
Derby Day Care Center (203) 736-9084	\$4,200	\$68
Girl Scouts – Connecticut Trails Council (800) 922-2770	\$18,000	\$271
Julia Day Nursery & Kindergarten (203) 736-2554	\$2,000	\$216
Recreation Camp (203) 736-6706	\$27,000	
Seymour-Oxford Nursery and Child Care Association, Inc. (203) 888-1655	\$4,000	\$807
<b>Strengthening Families</b>		
Catholic Charities, Ansonia (203) 735-7481	\$65,000	\$648
International Institute(203) 339-4405	\$1,500	
Jewish Family Services (203) 389-5599	\$5,800	
LNV Parent Child Resource Center (203) 954-0543	\$35,000	\$2,439
United Services Organization (USO) (212) 695-5590	\$500	
Valley YMCA (203) 736-1435	\$52,500	\$380
<b>New Community Initiative Grants</b>		
Boys & Girls Club of the LNV (203) 924-7462	\$25,000	
Area Congregations Together (203) 734-1638	\$20,000	
St. Vincent dePaul	\$5,000	
Born Learning	\$10,000	

## Grant funding for special projects

In addition to support for the annual campaign, Valley United Way is fortunate to have the support of several area foundations that have awarded Valley United Way grants for specific projects during the past year.

We want to acknowledge the generous support of the Raymond P. Lavietes Foundation which underwrote the cost of our move to our new home in Shelton. They also helped to support the Volunteer Center, the Youth Leadership Program and



Jack Walsh, Estelle Lavietes, and Jim Ryan remembering Ray Lavietes.

upgrades to our computer hardware and software.

The Katharine Matthies Foundation also helped to underwrite the costs of operating the Volunteer Center.

The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven once again provided us with a challenge grant that was a major incentive for increasing giving to the campaign.

Our newest partner is the Hewitt Foundation, which is helping to underwrite the costs of a senior needs assessment being conducted by the Senior Services Council of the Valley Council for Health and Human Services. The funds will also be used by VUW's Volunteer Center for the development of a Senior Leadership Volunteer Council similar to councils the Center coordinates for area corporations and high schools.

Sikorsky Aircraft provided a grant to Valley United Way and other United Ways in the region to promote high school graduation through a new effort called Project Graduation.



Mike Marcinek accepts the \$40,000 challenge grant from the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven.

Long-time supporter Pitney Bowes is currently funding special initiatives connected with our Youth Leadership Program.

We were pleased to act as fiduciary agent for the Valley Council and the Valley Needs & Opportunities Project which also received

grants from the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven, the Katharine Matthies Foundation and United Illuminating.

Partnerships are important to Valley United Way, and we appreciate the support of these funding partners.



Sikorsky supports graduation in the Valley.

# Highlights of 2006 – 2007



Raina McConnell of Health Net and Dave Grant, Jr. of David M. Grant Caterers enjoy VUW's first annual wine tasting event.



Sacred Heart students, shown here meeting with Volunteer Center leadership, conducted two marketing studies for Valley United Way as part of their finishing project for their MBAs.



Pitney Bowes set a new record for the largest single food donation (3-1/2 tons!).



Jimmy Tickey, former Youth Leadership President, and John DeGray of the Kerite Company, the setting for this year's Campaign Kickoff Rally.



Valley United Way's new home — 3 Corporate Drive, Shelton.



Ray McGee, CEO of Ansonia Copper & Brass, received a plaque from Jack Walsh, COO of VUW, thanking AC&B for their generosity over the years.



Youth Leadership: ready for the team building retreat at Camp Jewell sponsored by Pitney Bowes.



Planning for a great campaign.

# Highlights of 2006 – 2007



Supporting a new homeless shelter.



Twenty-seven students volunteered for the Postal Carriers Food Drive at Area Congregations Together – Spooner House in Derby.



A great campaign at GE.



A picnic with our new neighbors.



Ryan O'Connell masters the toughest wall to climb at Camp Jewell.



Gary Johnson, Janice Gruendel, Jack Walsh and David Nee are working together to ensure kids succeed.



Early intervention — a good investment in the future.



Volunteers paint during the Week of Caring at Catholic Charities in Ansonia.

# Committees

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# The Heritage Fund

## Committees (cont.)

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Laura Tuccio  
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Sue Westine  
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\*Resigned

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Derby High School  
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You can touch the future by making a bequest to Valley United Way's Heritage Fund, a permanent endowment fund. This special fund has been created separate from the Annual Campaign and is our promise to the community that we will always be here to help those in need. It is your opportunity to touch the future by making a gift that will always be recognized and remembered for its enduring benefits to the community we serve.

When you contribute to the Heritage Fund, you can be assured that your gift will be put to good use, today and for years to come.



## Heritage Fund Donors

### Heritage Fund Donors

George Berman  
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### Donations received in memory of:

Anthony Draugelis  
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Lillian Kassheimer  
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Sylvia F. Mastry  
Julian Morosko, Sr.  
Marguerite Ogden  
Lewis Savitsky  
Carol Ward  
Helen Zaranowski

There are a number of ways to contribute to Valley United Way's Heritage Fund. Your attorney or financial advisor can guide you in selecting the option(s) that best suit you. Heritage Fund gift opportunities include:

- A bequest through your will
- Life insurance
- Memorial and tribute gifts
- Gifts of cash, stocks or real estate
- Life income gifts

For more information regarding the United Way Heritage Fund and the many ways that you can keep caring, please contact Valley United Way.

## Donor Designations as of 3/15/07

### Fields of Service

Abuse and Neglect  
Elder Care  
Housing and Shelter  
Special Needs  
Success by Six  
Today's Girls Tomorrow

### Total Amount Designated: \$21,026

Child Care  
Health Programs  
Keeping Kids on Track  
Strengthening Families  
Substance Abuse  
Youth and Recreation

### Non-Partner Agencies

Alzheimer's Association  
American Diabetes Association  
Ariana Kirby Fund  
Boys Village Youth & Family Services  
Camp Horizons, Inc.  
Children's Diabetes Foundation  
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation  
Girl Scouts – Housatonic Council  
Habitat for Humanity for Greater Waterbury  
Lupus Foundation of America  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
Partrick Wetlands Preservation  
ReFocus Outreach Ministry  
Save the Children Foundation  
Sterling House Community Center  
TEAM, Inc.  
United Methodist Homes of CT  
YMCA/Ralphola Taylor Community Center

### Total Amount Designated: \$28,887

American Cancer Society  
American Red Cross – SE Fairfield County  
Boy Scouts of America  
Bridgeport Hospital Foundation  
Children's Community School  
CT Autism Spectrum Resource Center  
Delta Research & Education Foundation  
Girls Incorporated of Meriden  
Leukemia and Lymphoma Society  
Make-A-Wish Foundation  
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Planned Parenthood  
Salvation Army  
Shelton Economic Development Corporation  
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Branford United Way  
Middlesex United Way  
United Way of Capital Area  
United Way of Eastern Fairfield County  
United Way of Greater Waterbury  
United Way of Monmouth County  
United Way of New York City  
United Way of Northwest CT

### Total Amount Designated: \$14,104

Meriden/Wallingford United Way  
Stamford United Way  
United Way of Central Jersey  
United Way of Greater New Haven  
United Way of Milford  
United Way of Naugatuck/Beacon Falls  
United Way of Northern Fairfield County  
United Way of Southeastern CT

## Youth Leadership has a lasting impact



Ed Williams

My name is Ed Williams. I was a member of the Valley United Way Youth Leadership program from 1997-1999, and I have a confession to make.

The reason I signed up for the Youth Leadership program was that my mom made me, and it would look good when applying for colleges. But, as I'm reminded quite often, mother is always right. I didn't know it right away, but being a part of the program was one of the best decisions I ever made and it has had a lasting impact on my life.

When I first joined the program, I was pretty quiet, didn't know anyone else in the group, and simply went through the motions. I spent much of my first year laying back and doing the bare minimum. Looking back, however, I wish I could go back and relive that year.

Luckily, I didn't make the same mistake twice. Things really changed for me during my second year in the group, especially during the team-building retreat at Camp Jewell where I had my epic battle with Mt. Wood.

To most people, Mt. Wood is anything but intimidating, but to me it may as well have been Mt. Everest. Most of the other members flew up the wall

in a matter of minutes, but I spent what seemed like an eternity scaling the giant beast. At first, I felt extremely embarrassed, but then I heard all of the encouraging voices below. The entire group was cheering me on and refused to let me give up.

After close to an hour, I finally made it. Aside from extreme exhaustion, I was overcome with an indescribable feeling. I was proud of what I had accomplished. I was also grateful, and surprised, at the outpouring of support from my new friends. I had only just met the majority of these people. Even so, they wanted nothing more than for me to accomplish my goal. They were all great leaders, and now I was ready to do the same.

With a permanent smile on my face, my confidence started to grow, and I was ready. During that same trip, officer elections were held. I was nominated for Vice President and, in a move that likely wouldn't have happened just days earlier, I accepted. I was fortunate enough to win that election and I soon realized, as with most things in life, you only get out of something what you put into it.

Instead of just being in a leadership program, I was being a leader. I not only attended events like the annual postal food drive and park cleanup, but I took a more active role in them. I even spearheaded the first 3-on-3 basketball tournament to raise money for charity. Anytime I volunteered, I felt good knowing I helped someone else. But, even more than

that, I was gaining invaluable experience for the future. For volunteer work done through Youth Leadership and at a local nursing home, I was chosen as the Valley's Youth Volunteer of the Year. I was shocked. Volunteering had become second-nature – what had once been somewhat of a chore to me, had become fun and a new way to hang out with friends. I was putting a lot more into Youth Leadership, and I was getting so much out of it – the award was the icing on the cake.

The allocations process taught me a lot about working in a large group, organization, time management, and analysis. It also taught me that a true leader lets everyone have their say, keeps an open mind and works with others towards a common goal. The 3-on-3 basketball tournament taught me a lot. To start an event from scratch, with no blueprint to work from, and see it come to a successful conclusion taught me that I can do anything I put my mind to, and that you are only as good as the people you surround yourself with. If I wasn't working with such an amazing group of peers, that event would not have been possible. I learned a lot from the group's supervisor, Pat Tarasovic, as well. While Pat provided oversight, she also let us figure things out on our own and work together as a team to accomplish our goals. She allowed us to create our own paths. If we needed direction or to refocus, Pat was there to help. She showed that being a leader isn't about

ordering a group of people around.

After high school, I went to Marist College where I continued to use my leadership skills. I participated in many clubs and helped create the Marist Bowling Club. During my four years, the small club became an intramural sport and, in my senior year, we competed against other schools as a full-blown team. Without my Youth Leadership experience, I never would have been able to help lead that group. I just wish everyone else in that group had been a part of a group like Youth Leadership – it sure would have made things much easier.

Formerly the Editor-in-Chief of Shelton High's Gael Winds, I continued to follow my passion of journalism. I worked my way up to the position of Managing Editor of the Marist College Circle newspaper.

I graduated with a BA in Communications, concentrating in Journalism and Sports Communication, and a minor in English.

A few months later, my mom showed me an ad for a Sports Editor for a weekly newspaper. Fresh out of college and with little experience, I thought the position was an extreme long shot. But once again, mother was right. After two interviews I was in charge of the entire sports section of the Greenwich Post. In addition to having my mother to thank, I also had Youth Leadership to thank. I went into the interview confident, knowing that if they gave me a chance, I would be successful.

Getting that first job taught me you have to seize every opportunity that comes your way – be aggressive and never sell yourself short. Those lessons came back into play about a year later when I interviewed for the Managing Editor position of RAW Magazine with World Wrestling Entertainment. Once again, I didn't think I was qualified, but I took the interview. This time, it turned out I really wasn't qualified. But the interview went so well, they created another position for me – Staff Writer for WWE. As a life-long wrestling fan, it was like a dream come true. Before long, I worked my way up to Content Editor for WWE.com and, within two years, was in charge of the site's homepage, assigning stories to a team of writers.

The experience I gained with WWE helped me land a job with NBCSports.com as the College Sports Producer. Now I'm in charge of the College Basketball and College Football sections of the website. As a producer, I'm responsible for the layout of the site, keeping it fresh, managing a team of writers from across the country, and writing stories of my own.

I've learned a lot of valuable lessons since I left Youth Leadership, but Youth Leadership is really where it all started. It laid the foundation for becoming a leader and helped give me the confidence I needed to be successful in life. Looking back, the most important lesson I learned is that you only get out of something what you put into it.



# The Volunteer Center...strong and vibrant!

Since 1991, the Volunteer Center has worked to identify the Valley's needs and link volunteers to them. The Volunteer Center recognizes its role to connect volunteers with nonprofit agencies and help them accomplish their goals. Volunteer Center programs include: Youth Leadership, High School Volunteer Council, Corporate Volunteer Council and Volunteer Solutions. The Volunteer Center supports and assists corporate groups looking for project

venues. During this past year several companies were matched with agencies as they engaged in short-term projects which proved to be successful in corporate team building. Volunteer Solutions is a large, web-based database that stores and displays data on users, agencies and volunteer opportunities. Volunteering — it's a great way to get involved and see immediate results for your efforts. To learn more, visit [www.valleyunitedway.org](http://www.valleyunitedway.org)

## Youth Leadership Program—training the community leaders of tomorrow



Youth Leadership members have fun after creating a video on serious issues facing youth in the Valley.

The Youth Leadership Program had an extraordinary year in 2006.

Twenty-seven high school students made the annual journey to Camp Jewell in Colebrook, CT for a team-building retreat. During that three-day trip, the group quickly transformed into youth leaders.

For the first time ever, Youth Leaders raised their own funds to allocate to

programs that Youth Leaders have identified as serious issues facing youth in the Valley. They also partnered with VSAAC, Tele-Media (Liz Kennard), and Center Stage to produce a state-of-the-art video about these topics which will be used by all Valley high school guidance counselors. The video can be viewed at our website [www.valleyunitedway.org/vac/yl](http://www.valleyunitedway.org/vac/yl).

Pitney Bowes awarded YL a grant to create and coordinate a Youth Leaders Conference which will have a dual role: teach middle school students about the impact of community volunteerism and the value of community leadership to themselves and their school community. Part of the conference will focus on what is available to the middle school students when they enter high school.

The Youth Leaders completed their needs assessment and allocated \$2,500.



A successful car wash was the first fundraiser of the year for Youth Leadership.



Tom Ballaro of Shelton High School was selected as Mr. Valley Student Body.

## High School Volunteer Council creates Mr. Valley Student Body contest

The High School Volunteer Council celebrates twelve years of success as a statewide, award-winning Council. The Council's mission is to unite Valley high schools to work together on community service projects; share best practices and annually join together to work on one major project. Students from all five Valley high schools, along with school administrators and teachers, held monthly meetings and shared community leadership and volunteer proj-

ects. The Council launched their first ever "Mr. Valley", designed as a spoof of the Miss America Pageant. Schools held their own Mr. Student Body and their top three winners went on to compete in Mr. Valley. It was a great example of Valley High School students working together, and sharing a tremendous spirit and enthusiasm to help meet the needs of the community. Holiday singing at United Methodist Home was another great success of the Council.

## Volunteer Award Winners 2006



Ned Miller, honored as Volunteer of the Year, is shown here with Joanne Walsh (l) and Pat Tarasovic (r).

**Sharon Bryce Holly**  
**Community Hero Award**  
Ernestine "Ernie" Luise

**Youth Award**  
Jonathan Coppola

**Youth Group Award**  
Housatonic Council of  
Boy Scouts of America  
Troup # 7

**Adult Award**  
Ned Miller

**Adult Group Award**  
Boys and Girls Club Alumni  
Golf Group

**Living Treasure Award**  
Gloria Hollo

**Corporate Excellence in  
Volunteer Leadership**  
Health Net, Inc.

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## Corporate Volunteer Council

CVC 2006: A Year in Review...  
 Solid Community Impact Outcomes

As we ring in 2007, let's look back on all the good things that CVC member companies have brought to the Valley community during 2006. Here are the highlights....

**New Co-Chairs, Adrienne Cabral and Bill Bubbico** assumed the helm of the CVC in early 2006 and quickly began to organize the group's focus for the New Year. 2006 objectives were established and sub-committee co-chairs assigned.



Adrienne Cabral and Bill Bubbico, CVC Co-Chairs.



CVC Monthly Food Collection.

Throughout the year, CVC member companies took turns conducting **Food Pantry Drives**, donating close to 14,000 food items in total to Area Congregations Together (ACT) – a 60% increase over last year's total. Noteworthy contributions were made by Pitney Bowes who collected 6,020 items in May, Homewood Suites by Hilton with 2,300 items in September, and Hasler with 3,299 items in October.

**Clothing Drives** continued throughout the year at numerous corporate sites. In 2006, CVC companies

have donated thousands of dollars worth of clothing to My Sister's Place thrift shop to benefit The Umbrella Domestic Violence Program.

CVC volunteers like Eric Wilkins of Warner Financial and the "Granny Angels" at Spring Meadows Senior Living Community have been knitting up a storm for the **Caring Circle**. To date, the Caring Circle has produced 583 blankets and 32 scarves, which have been donated to the battered women's shelter to comfort victims of domestic violence.



In August, CVC companies purchased school clothes, supplies and warm winter coats for 180 children at the Mead School in Ansonia, Spooner House and Parent Child Resource Center during the 11th annual **Back-to-School Clothes for Kids** Program. Dozens of companies adopted one

or more school children and outfitted them with everything they needed to start the school year right and improve their self-esteem. A noteworthy contributor was Pitney Bowes, who adopted 50



children. The kids were also treated to a Luau party with refreshments by David M. Grant Caterers, Big Y, and Enterprise Rent-A-Car.

In September, the CVC came together for the 11th annual **Week of Caring**. Volunteers painted rooms and completed landscaping projects for Catholic Charities' facility in Ansonia. Companies, including OCI Chemical, Pitney Bowes, ComputerShare, Emhart Teknologies, Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P., and Wachovia Bank used this major volunteer event as an opportunity to build teamwork and camaraderie among their employees while giving back to the community. Five refurbished PC computers were also provided by the CVC.



Celebrating the Week of Caring.

In November, the CVC kicked off its **"Adopt-a-Family" Holiday Giving** program. More than 75 disadvantaged families enjoyed Thanksgiving meals, thanks to CVC generosity. Additional clients at Spooner House, the YMCA and Catholic Charities benefited through corporate cash donations. Noteworthy contributors were Prudential Financial, providing 30 families at St. Vincent dePaul Society and the YMCA with turkeys and food, and The Hartford, which collected 25 turkeys with all the fixins, plus \$175 in grocery store gift cards for Spooner House clients.



Back-to-School Clothes for Kids.

Also, GE International and BPA Worldwide ran food drives to benefit Spooner House and CAPS Business Recovery Services provided five Valley families with Thanksgiving meals and other groceries. There was plenty of "Santa Magic" in the air in December when CVC companies held toy collections, food drives and "Angel Tree" gift giving programs for underprivileged children, the homeless and needy seniors. Some companies, including Fletcher-Thompson, PerkinElmer, and Health Net, hosted Christmas parties for area children. Santa showed up at every one of them to hand out gifts. Greenwich Workshop's employees personally shopped for 30 family members and purchased gifts. Each person received \$100 value gifts. Other companies joining in included Altair Global Relocation, Basement Systems, Bright Horizons Day Care Center, ComputerShare, Emhart Teknologies, Fletcher-Thompson, Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P., Microsol, NEC Infrontia, OCI Chemical, Professional Travel, Wachovia Bank, Wal\*Mart and Webster Bank.

Corporate Volunteer Council Corporate Citizen of the Year

**OCI CHEMICAL CORPORATION**

# Valley Needs and Opportunities Project

2006 was the final full year for the award winning Valley Needs and Opportunities Project (VNOP) of the Valley Advisory Committee of the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven. Valley United Way served as fiduciary and provided office space for the project since it started in 2001.

## From 2001 through 2006, VNOP served the community in many ways:

- Professional staff provided technical assistance, meeting facilitation and consensus building support to numerous organizations and committees.
- The project awarded over \$13,000 in grants for new collaborative projects, such as the One Valley One Read project of United Valley Libraries.
- VNOP commissioned an updated regional assessment report in 2005.
- In collaboration with the Valley Council for Health and Human Services, VNOP developed and published six editions of the Valley Opportunities Newsletter. Each edition reached over 45,000 households and businesses.
- More than 500 residents and employees in the region attended community events and meetings sponsored by VNOP.

- Starting in 2005, VNOP provided staff supervision and planning services to the Valley Council for Health and Human Services.
- VNOP, in collaboration with Valley United Way, supported the development of the Valley Regional School to Career Committee.



Rick Dunne, the Valley Council of Governments' Executive Director, presenting transportation information.

- In 2006, VNOP broadened to provide project management services. A Valley partnership that included The Valley Council of Governments, Coordinated Transportation Solutions, the Chamber of Commerce, Birmingham Group Health Services, TEAM, Inc., Valley Transit District, and Area Congregations Together received a \$60,000 grant from Community Transportation Association of America to study gaps in transportation related to low income workers. VNOP

served as project manager and key community outreach liaison for the study.



Catherine Adsitt (l) delivers Easter candy for the children of ACA to Esther Jones.

- Catherine Adsitt, executive director of VNOP was instrumental in the writing of grants that brought over \$500,000 to the Valley from local, regional and national funders.

The VNOP staffer, through research, reporting and administrative functions, supported the local efforts of the Valley Advisory Committee in

its work with The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven to form Valley Community Foundation.

- VNOP diversified and broadened its programming in 2005 and 2006 to better connect with all sectors of our community.

# Valley Council for Health and Human Services

The Valley Council serves as a partnership network designed to improve services and build a cohesive service delivery system through inter-agency cooperation.

The Valley Council meets monthly to share information and collaborate to conserve resources, extend services and avoid unnecessary duplication while providing essential community services. Subcommittees of the council work with peers to create and expand programs to benefit the region.

## Highlights from 2006

### Speakers

The Valley Council regularly provides opportunities for members to hear speakers both at monthly meetings and through the Lunch N' Learn series that launched in 2006.

Speakers at monthly meetings covered topics ranging from updates about foundations, economic and demographic data about our state, customer services offered by United Illuminating, the status of early childhood care and education in the region, cultural diversity and stroke treatment.

Lunch N' Learn sessions offered focused updates in specific areas which included human resources,

adopted a cultural competency guideline.

Early Childhood: An early childhood capacity report was commissioned. The work was completed by 211. A childcare resource guide for the region was developed, printed and disseminated.

Senior Services: In response to community requests, funding was secured to provide for regular caregiver support meetings. A panel discussion on the new Medicare Part D was aired on Tele-Media Public Access during 2006 featuring members of the Valley Senior Services Council Bob Bohannon, Director of Elderly Services at TEAM, Inc., Beverly Kidder, Director of the Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut, and Mary



Leadership Greater Valley graduates.

Opportunities conducted outreach to elected officials, worked with the Ansonia Public Schools on a 5th grade research project to help the community identify a river animal that will best represent our region.

### Providing Community Resources

Members of the Planning subcommittee worked »tirelessly throughout the year to guide the full Council in directions that would strengthen the Council and the health and human services infrastructure in the Valley.

The Marketing Committee of the Valley Council worked with Valley Needs and Opportunities to produce the sixth edition of Valley Opportunities during 2006. The Committee also worked with all members of the Council to develop and print an updated membership brochure.

Collaboration with the Department of Labor and the Valley United Way, allowed the Council to provide community services information to displaced workers through DOL's Rapid Response Team.

The Leadership Greater Valley program marked the eleventh year. This program, which was originally called the LEAD pro-

gram, was upgraded and renamed six years ago when the Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce joined the Valley Council for Health & Human Services and Valley United Way in sponsoring the unique program. Fourteen participants graduated from the program this year following eight weeks of sessions.

### Annual Awards and Meeting

Each year the Valley Council presents peer awards for Agency of the Year, the Lewis Savitsky Staff Excellence Award. At the Council's 2006 annual meeting the Lewis Savitsky Staff Excellence Award was presented to Michele Holovach and Laura Mutrie for their lifetime achievements. The Agency of the Year Award was presented to the Valley YMCA for its 140 years of service to children and families in the region and collaborative community initiatives that touch the lives of children, teen, parents, families and the elderly.

Deanne Shapiro, President of Life Skills Associates LLC was the keynote speaker at the event. She encouraged nonprofit workers to recognize their achievements and share them with others.



Valley Council award winners.

philanthropy and development, and the principals of nonprofit governance.

### Subcommittee Work

2006 was an exciting year for the Council. Through subcommittees, the Council had a broad array of accomplishments.

Cultural Competency: A facilitated session involving the movie, "CRASH", was held to promote discussion training on the topic of diversity. Additionally, the full council

LaBranche, Director of the Derby Senior Center. Also during 2006 Valley United Way received a grant from the Hewitt Foundation for a senior services study. The Senior Services subcommittee of the Valley Council will be a collaborator with Valley United Way on this project.

Healthy Valley: Collected approximately 300 letters of support for pursuit of National Heritage Area designation, with support from Valley Needs and

# Corporate Cup

Tele-Media recaptured the 2006 Community Corporate Cup title in very convincing fashion as they won four of the events on the way to posting a 10.5 point win over second place Perkin Elmer. Two years ago, the teams also finished 1-2 in the standings, but the final margin was on a quarter of a point. Spectrum Plastics which dethroned Tele-Media last year settled for sixth place this time around. CDW-G moved up



The team from Tele-Media proudly displays their hard-earned Community Corporate Cup.

Net earned "Rookies of the Year" honors as they finished fifth in the overall standings.

Tele-Media's performance was one of the most dominating in Cup history as they won four events on the way to the title. Among their championships were Darts, Billiards, Golf and the Healthy Team competition. United Illuminating continued their domination of the Bowling Tournament, while Health Net won the Volleyball Tournament in their first year. Birmingham Group captured the inau-



A race to the finish line.

gural Orienteering event while Rubber Supplies topped the Horseshoes standings for the fourth straight year.

More than 300 participants took positive steps to

improve their health during the year, and Valley United Way and the Valley YMCA would like to thank and congratulate everyone who took time to participate.



The Health Net team is congratulated on their way to capturing the Volleyball title.

to third in the final standings just ahead of former champions United Illuminating. Newcomer Health

## 2006 Corporate Cup Standings

Team	Bowling	Darts	Billiards	Volleyball	Golf	Orienteering	Walk	Horseshoes	Healthy Team	CEO	Total
1 Tele-Media	14.50	<b>16.00</b>	<b>17.50</b>	9.00	<b>17.50</b>	11.50	5.00	10.75	<b>18.00</b>	5.00	<b>124.75</b>
2 Perkin Elmer	17.00	14.75	14.75	7.50	16.50	12.00	5.00	8.25	13.50	5.00	114.25
3 CDW-G	10.50	13.25	11.75	9.50	17.00	11.00	5.00	12.25	11.50	5.00	106.75
4 United Illuminating	<b>17.50</b>	13.25	14.75	10.00	13.75	10.50	5.00	10.75	8.25	0.00	103.75
5 Health Net	11.00	10.50	11.75	<b>11.00</b>	12.50	8.50	5.00	12.25	16.50	0.00	99.00
6 Spectrum Plastics	15.00	15.50	16.50	0.00	10.75	7.50	2.00	8.25	17.50	5.00	98.00
7 Birmingham Group Health Services	11.50	10.50	11.75	8.50	11.50	<b>12.50</b>	3.00	10.75	17.00	0.00	97.00
8 TEAM	7.00	10.50	16.25	0.00	8.00	9.00	5.00	0.00	10.50	5.00	71.25
9 Griffin Hospital	16.50	10.50	7.50	10.50	13.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.50	0.00	70.50
10 Valley United Way	0.00	7.00	7.50	0.00	14.50	0.00	1.00	8.25	15.50	5.00	58.75
11 Gordon Rubber	16.00	10.50	11.75	0.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	8.25	0.00	0.00	53.50
12 Calvert Safe & Lock	7.50	7.00	7.50	0.00	0.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	8.25	5.00	42.25
13 CheckFree Chargers	9.00	0.00	14.75	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33.75
14 Valley YMCA	0.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	14.75	5.00	28.75
15 DiMatteo Insurance	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	26.75
16 Rubber Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<b>13.50</b>	0.00	5.00	18.50

## Treasurer's Report

Valley United Way has once again enjoyed another successful year, financially. The strength of our 2005–2006 campaign provided us with the opportunity to distribute more to our community than ever before.

Allocations to our member agencies are increasing over 5% to almost \$643,000 exclusive of additional donor designations. The Board of Directors voted to use \$120,000 from reserves for allocations and special grants including special capital grants totalling \$50,000 to the Ansonia Project, Area Congregations Together and the St. Vincent dePaul Society.

The Valley United Way ended fiscal year 2006 with \$830,000 in Unrestricted Net Assets. This allowed the Board to authorize the one-time distribution from reserves and still maintain a very healthy reserve balance. We are extremely encouraged by the strength of our fundraising abilities and our conservative fiscal planning. These two elements will provide our community and agencies with financial stability with our funding during the next fiscal year.

We need to once again point out that our audited figures do not fully reflect the total economic impact

that Valley United Way and its programs have on the community. We continue to support and seek assistance in our Back-to-School Clothes for Kids program, which provided over \$35,000 worth of new clothing and school supplies to over 180 needy children at Ansonia's Mead School this past year.

The annual Week of Caring Project which renovated the Catholic Charities facility in Ansonia was valued at over \$20,000 which is just a small part of the additional value returned to the community by our Corporate Volunteer Council with their food

and clothing drives and various other projects which directly benefit the community.

Valley United Way adds value to the community far beyond the figures contained in our audit, and I am pleased to report that we remain a financially strong and viable asset to the community.

I would like to thank all the members of the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors for their continued efforts in providing financial leadership and stability to the Valley United Way.

## Statement of Financial Position

June 30, 2006

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 519,524
Contributions receivable, less allowance for uncollectible amounts of \$138,958	526,410
Grants receivable	43,000
Prepaid expenses	4,159

#### Total Current Assets

1,093,093

Equipment – less allowance for depreciation of \$73,717

18,690

#### Total Assets

\$1,111,783

### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 128,011
Donor designations payable	89,088
Deferred revenue – grants	161,378
Deferred revenue – other	33,224

#### Total Current Liabilities

\$ 411,701

#### Net Assets – unrestricted

\$ 700,082

#### Total Liabilities and Net Assets

\$1,111,783

# Statement of Activities

June 30, 2006

	<u>Unrestricted</u>
<b>REVENUES, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>	
Campaign contributions – current	\$1,166,848
Less donor fields of service	(38,522)
Less donor designations	(75,250)
Provision for uncollectible pledges	(89,830)
<b>Total Campaign</b>	<u>\$ 963,246</u>
Foundation grants	219,378
Special events	35,517
In-kind	27,985
Investment income	13,387
<b>Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support</b>	<u>1,259,513</u>
<b>ALLOCATIONS AND FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES</b>	
Allocations and special issue grants	718,248
Functional expenses (including donated services, material and facilities of \$27,985):	
Community program services	333,648
Management and general	134,310
Fund raising	220,149
<b>Total Functional Expenses</b>	<u>688,107</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>1,406,355</u>
<b>Decrease in Net Assets</b>	<u>(146,842)</u>
Net assets at July 1, 2005	846,924
Net Assets at June 30, 2006	<u>\$ 700,082</u>

## Finance Committee

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 Kligfeld, Michael  
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