Share the Warmth through our Coat Drive! Collecting now - October 15

Help us fill up the Coat Room! Drop off your donation of gently used winter coats, mittens & gloves, scarves, hats, boots and snowpants at our office during our drive. *Please make sure items are warm, washed and have working zippers!*

503 Hawthorne Street
Monday - Friday | 8am - 3pm

Consider hosting a Coat Drive of your own!
Coat Drive Flyer
How to Host a Coat Drive
Coat Distribution Flyer

Need a coat or cold weather gear?

Stop into our office at 503 Hawthorne Street in Alexandria on:

• October 21st & 22nd | 8am - 5pm
• October 25th – 29th | 8am - 5pm

Items are available free of charge. There are no income guidelines or qualifications to receive items from the Coat Room. We ask that individuals and families take only items that they or their immediate family members are in need of.

Holiday Gift Program - Save the Date!
Kicks off Monday, November 15th

We will start registering BOTH those who are hoping to sponsor, and those who would like to be sponsored on November 15th.

Here are some key dates to help you (or your group) plan:

- November 15th: Register!*
- December 9th: Registration closes.
- December 10th: Unwrapped gifts are due to our office.

Please note, it may take a few days to receive your wishlists depending on the number of children registered at the time of your request. No early registrations!

Minnesota United Acts of Kindness Week is November 15-19!

Stuff the Bus Wrap Up!

Thank you for your donations to our Stuff the Bus program! 44 Business locations helped us to collect supplies and we were able to support 411 Douglas & Pope County students with bags and supplies!

Special thanks goes out to First Lutheran Church for their role in funding and packing backpacks! And also to Caring Hands Dental Clinic and Early Childhood Dental Network for providing dental supplies for bags.
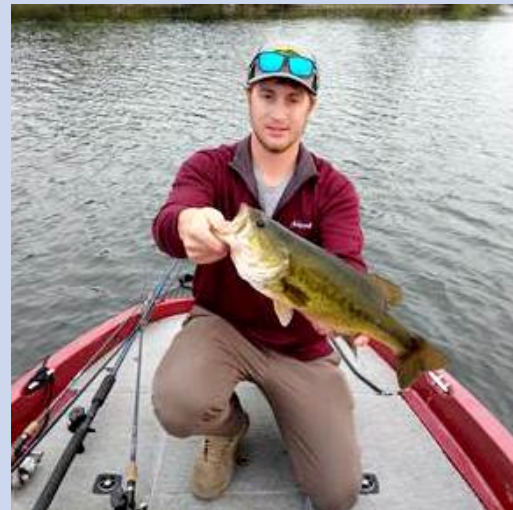
Fishing Tournament Results

Our Fishing Tournament Fundraiser took place over Labor Day weekend. Anglers utilized an APP to record their stringers with photos, location and measurements of their fish caught on Douglas & Pope County lakes. Top 5 teams:

1st: Wade Traphagen : Score 19
2nd: American Solutions for Business : Score 16
2nd: Nolan Wolkow : Score 16
4th: Kelly Rutten : Score 15
5th: Splash Rentals : Score 15

Thanks to participants and sponsors we were able to raise $3,300 to support our community!

Special thanks goes out to our **Fall Trap & Fish Sponsors:** Aagard, Douglas Machine, Geneva Capital, Massman Automation and **Additional Sponsors:** American Solutions for Business and Bell Bank!

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Trap Tournament Results

We hosted our 6th Annual Trap Shooting Tournament on Tuesday, September 21st. 17 Teams joined us at Alexandria Shooting Park for the afternoon. Each team shot 2 rounds of 25 clays, enjoyed a brat dinner and were able to participate in games and raffle.
The top 3 scoring teams and individual winners are listed below:

- **General Store Guns Galore** - Score 234
- **Geneva Capital** *sponsored* **Brandon Evansville Student Trap Team** - Score 217
- **Geneva Capital** *sponsored* **Alexandria Student Trap Team** - Score 207

- **Experienced Skill Level Winner:** Mark Nohre - Score 49
- **Intermediate Skill Level Winner:** Hunter Grothen - Score 44
- **Novice Skill Level Winner:** Joe Scegura - Score 36

Through this fundraiser we were able to raise $9,300+ to support Health, Education and Financial Stability of those living in our community.

Special thanks goes out to our **Fall Fish & Trap Sponsors:** Aagard, Douglas Machine, Geneva Capital, Massman Automation and **Additional Sponsors:** Glenwood State Bank, American Solutions for Business and Minnewaska Abstract

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Photos and weekly updates on Facebook and Instagram! @unitedwaydouglaspope

Do you have Volunteer Time Off?

Volunteers are needed in both Pope and Douglas Counties to help at the Food Drops. It takes *30 - 50 volunteers every Food Drop* to make this program happen. Consider sending a team! **Email: Leah Wolkow (lwolkow@uwdp.org)** to learn more or sign up.

• Pope County | Tuesday, October 12th @ Glenwood United Parish
Morning & Afternoon shifts available!

• Douglas County | Thursday, October 28th @ New Life Christian Church
Morning & Afternoon shifts available!

Check out Volunteer Opportunities from United Way and local nonprofits:
GetConnected

GetConnected is our website that hosts Douglas and Pope County volunteer opportunities from United Way and other local non-profits. You can create a profile, choose your favorite organizations and receive email updates when new opportunities are available.

Try a Speed Volunteering Project:

Projects

These projects can be easily coordinated and completed with friends, families, youth groups or coworkers. Simply choose a project and follow the worksheet. When you have completed your project connect with United Way to arrange a drop off. United Way will then connect these resources with people who need them in Douglas and Pope Counties.

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