



**Helping Other People Everyday**

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Schuylkill United Way

2nd Quarter Newsletter—2020

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The **Schuylkill COVID-19 Response Fund** was established by the Schuylkill United Way to provide flexible resources to health and human service organizations across Schuylkill County to provide essential aid to those most impacted by the pandemic. The generosity of our community through donations to the Schuylkill COVID-19 Response Fund has been amazing!

**Total Donations \$253,660**

Because of the support of so many we have been able to help our neighbors in need in the following ways....



To date we have been able to -

- \*Purchase 3,000 face masks from Kepner Scott Shoe Company for clients of our Partner Agencies
- \*Provide gift cards for clients of our Partner Agencies to purchase food at Boyer's Food Markets
- \*Send money to five independently run food pantries
- \*Provide funding to the Helping Harvest Food Bank of Schuylkill and Berks counties
- \*Purchase and distribute 3,210 dozen eggs to clients of our Partner Agencies and food pantries
- \*Purchase face masks, first aid kits, and tissues for Minersville Area "Safe Start to Summer" care packages



### **Nurse-Family Partnership**

clients with their  
gift bags filled with  
face masks and a  
Boyers Food  
Markets gift card.



I am a little of the **Big Impact Group**, I would like to take a moment to personal thank you all at **Schuylkill United Way** and the community for the gift card. My family and I greatly appreciate this, especially now with everything going on. Once again thank you from the bottom of our hearts ❤️ !!!

Thank You  
  
for your Kindness

Sending you a huge thank you for your contribution to all families whom have been impacted by this pandemic. We appreciate everything you do in your support to the **Big Impact Group** and community.

Thank you very much for the Boyer's gift card. My family participates in the **Big Impact Group**, and we received the card and letters from **United Way** and Big Impact Group today. Such a thoughtful and generous gift! We're all at home, so we're buying quite a bit of groceries, and this card is just perfect.



Keith and Timi Bauscher, The Nesting Box Farm Market & Creamery, starting to unload the boxes of eggs that we picked up on May 8.

May 8, 2020

Because of the generosity of so many businesses and individuals to our COVID-19 Response Fund, we were able to purchase 1,905 dozen eggs for the clients of our Partner Agencies and local food pantries. Thank you to Stephanie Shirk with Penn State Extension for helping us make the connection with The Nesting Box Farm Market and Creamery and the Zimmerman Family Farm. This was a win-win for the farmers and our community!



SUW Board Member Ed Johnson and his son Stephen helped to load eggs in the BIGS van.



A Child Development family happily receives some eggs!

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Eggs are safely loaded and ready for distribution.



Bob Cook, from Salvation Army gets the eggs ready for distribution to their patrons.



May 22, 2020

1,305 dozen eggs were picked up at the Nesting Box and distributed to our Partner Agencies and food pantries. We are so happy to be able to help our neighbors in need as well as some local farmers during these unprecedented times.

Lori Spotts, from Child Development, loaded eggs into her vehicle with the help of Kelly Malone, Executive Director of Schuylkill United Way.





## ***The Schuylkill COVID-19 Response Fund***

was established by the Schuylkill United Way to provide assistance to our community during the pandemic.  
The response to help our neighbors through this fund has been incredible!

***Thank you to the following generous donors-***

**PPL—\$20,000**

**Truist Foundation—\$2,600**

**Bob Weaver Auto—\$100,000**

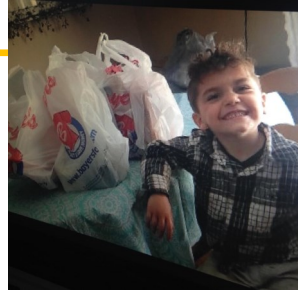
**John E. Morgan Foundation—\$100,000**

**M&T Bank Charitable Foundation—\$5,000**

**Mrs. T's Pierogies—\$10,000**

**Captain Jason Jones Memorial Foundation—\$2,000**

Also, a great big thank you to so many families and individuals!



Happy Child Development  
students receiving  
face masks and  
Boyer's gift cards!



If you would like to donate to the Schuylkill COVID-19 Response Fund, please  
visit our website at [www.schuylkillunitedway.org](http://www.schuylkillunitedway.org) for more information.

Donations can also be mailed to:

***Schuylkill United Way, 9 North Centre St., Suite 301, Pottsville, PA 17901***



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## Stuff the Bus

- *Stuff the Bus is right around the corner!*
- The 18th Annual school supply collection program will be held during the month of July.
- Help us to reach our goal of stuffing over 1,400 backpacks for children in our county. They will be distributed through our Partner Agencies and schools in Schuylkill County for the 2020-2021 school year.
- If you would like to host an internal school supply drive or would like to have a collection box in your business, please contact **Christine** at **570.622.6421** or email **[dircomrel@schuylkillunitedway.org](mailto:dircomrel@schuylkillunitedway.org)** for more information!

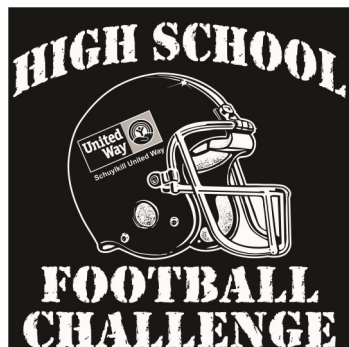
### **Suggested School Supply Donations**

**Crayons \* Glue Sticks \* Folders \* Notebooks**

**Colored Pencils \* Dry Erase Markers \* Pens**

**Pencil Pouches \* Scissors \* Pencils \* Erasers \* Highlighters**

**Hand Sanitizer \* Book Bag**



Unfortunately, we had to cancel our  
**4th Annual High School Football Challenge** this year.

However, we are already planning for it to return during the  
summer of 2021!

Next year's event will be held at  
*North Schuylkill High School Ghosh Orthodontics Field at  
Spartan Stadium.*



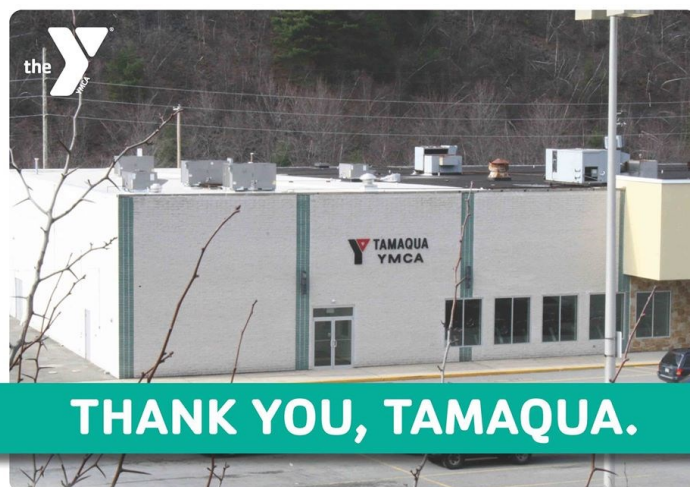
### **Effective Immediately—Tamaqua YMCA closed**

“It is with great sadness that we announce that, after nearly 24 years in this wonderful community, we have made the difficult decision not to reopen the Tamaqua YMCA facility in 2020. As you can imagine, like most businesses, the COVID-19 virus/pandemic has hit our YMCA hard.

Our Y has struggled for years financially and it has been extremely difficult for us to meet the operating expenses of the facility. As our lease expires at the end of the 2020, we have had to make this incredibly difficult decision. Please know that it was not made lightly.”

Tamaqua YMCA

The Tamaqua YMCA and  
its employees will be greatly  
missed by the  
Schuylkill United Way and  
the community of Tamaqua.





## Captain Jason B. Jones Memorial Day of Caring



New date—Friday, September 11

The Schuylkill United Way is proud to host this day of volunteering in honor of Captain Jones. This day is all about giving back to the community and we are very thankful for our partners who will host sites and for the volunteers who plan to give their time to make a difference in our county!



2 EVENTS ON 1 DAY!

# CAPTAIN JASON B. JONES

## MEMORIAL DAY OF CARING

*Friday, September 11, 2020*

# 2021 CAMPAIGN KICKOFF





Schuylkill United Way

## Captain Jason B. Jones Memorial Day of Caring



Join us on **Friday, September 11, 2020**  
At various locations throughout Schuylkill County

This form can be scanned and emailed to [dircomrel@schuylkillunitedway.org](mailto:dircomrel@schuylkillunitedway.org),  
faxed to 570-622-7424 or mailed to the SUW offices at the address below:

Schuylkill United Way, Attn: Christine Johnson  
9 N. Centre Street, Suite 301  
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Please direct questions to Christine Johnson, at 570-622-6421.

**In order to be guaranteed a t-shirt**, we ask for all volunteers to be **registered by Wednesday, August 19.**

Project start times and length of time on site are flexible depending on volunteer preferences.

Thank you for your participation! We look forward to another great turn out this year!

Name of Company or Team Organizer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Main Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Volunteers: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Volunteers (please include t-shirt size!):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Type of project preferred: \_\_\_\_\_

List skills/trade: \_\_\_\_\_

List Physical Limitations: \_\_\_\_\_





**FIND HELP!**

**Call 2-1-1**


Schuylkill County's  
Community Help Line

24 HOURS A DAY  
7 DAYS A WEEK  
365 DAYS A YEAR

2-1-1 Provides Free Information & Referral Services to Community Resources

		
Family	Food	Health Care
		
Housing/Utilities	Mental Health	Substance Abuse

PHONE: 2-1-1 or (855) 567-5341  
TEXT: Text your ZIP CODE to 898211  
WEB: [www.pa211east.org/schuylkill](http://www.pa211east.org/schuylkill)



**DO YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE?**

**2-1-1 COMMUNITY HELP LINE**

- ★ Free, confidential information and referral service
- ★ Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- ★ Connects you to a broad range of services including aging services, counseling, food pantries, health services, housing, support groups and more
- ★ Search our online database at [PA211East.org](http://PA211East.org)

**3-1-1 Local Government Services (Not Available in all Areas)**

**4-1-1 Directory Assistance**


**5-1-1 Traffic Information**

**6-1-1 Telephone Company**

**7-1-1 TTY/Relay (Deaf and Hard of Hearing)**


**8-1-1 Call Before You Dig**

**9-1-1 Police, Fire, Ambulance**



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### **2021 Campaign Events & Dates to Remember:**

⇒ **2021 Campaign Kick Off Breakfast, Penn State Schuylkill (Catering by Hess)**

⇒ **Captain Jason B. Jones Memorial Day of Caring**

Friday, September 11, 2020 @ 8 a.m.

⇒ **Pacesetters Reception**

*To be held in the fall, 2020—more information will be coming soon*

⇒ **Appreciation Breakfast, Penn State Schuylkill (Catering by Hess)**

Friday, November 13, 2020 @ 8 a.m.

The **2021 Campaign** will begin at the Campaign Kick Off Breakfast on Friday, September 11, along with our Day of Caring.

Campaign materials will be distributed in August.

If you are interested in having a Campaign presentation at your place of business, please contact Kelly K. Malone, Executive Director, at 570-622-6421 or via email at [maloneexdir@schuylkillunitedway.org](mailto:maloneexdir@schuylkillunitedway.org).



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