

WE LIVE UNITED

UNITED WAY OF WEST ALABAMA



February 2018

United Way of West Alabama
strengthens education, income stability
and health in our community by
developing resources and partnerships.

February 11th is National 2-1-1 Day

What is 2-1-1 Information & Referral?



Many United Way offices nationwide have a 2-1-1

Information & Referral

Line connecting clients in need to the human services providers and agencies that can help.

Until you need help finding food, clothing, shelter or utility assistance, you don't realize how hard it is to find these resources. Try searching for food to feed your family this week in the yellow pages. The 2-1-1 operators know the ins and outs of this sometimes complicated process and can help a client with various resources in a timely manner.

Meet our friendly 2-1-1 staff:

FACES behind the VOICES

Tamika Alexander, Director of 2-1-1



By day a 2-1-1 referral specialist, by night a TV anchorwoman, Tamika lends a helping hand to all of her callers. She knows the needs of the community and is constantly trying to find ways to help others get help. Clients often say Tamika checks on them for months after services are received.

Lorraine Patton

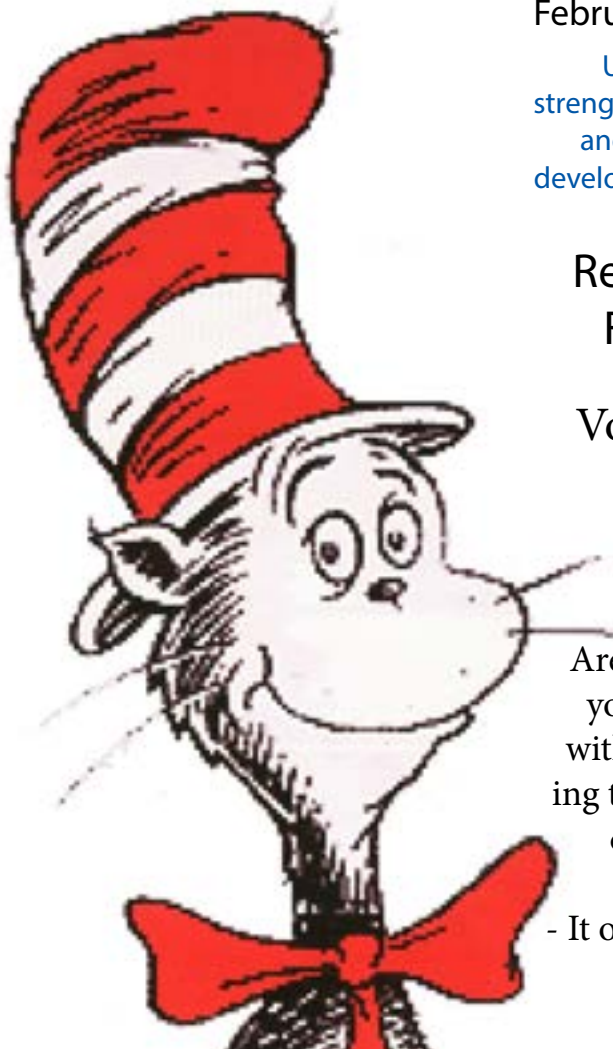


Loreen comes to us by way of the Senior Aide program from West Alabama Regional Commission. She's a Tuscaloosa native where she retired after 20 years in medical collections and data. She enjoys working with clients to assist them with locating necessary resources.

Frannie Clark



Possibly better suited to answer inquiries about sporting events and March Madness odds, Frannie puts aside his genius-level knowledge of sports so he can help connect callers with the services they need. Frannie has Cerebral Palsy and understands the importance of getting the correct help you need quickly.



Read Across America Friday, March 2nd

Volunteer to Read *for* Dr. Seuss's Birthday!

Area elementary schools invite you to celebrate Dr. Seuss day with the students by volunteering to read one of his books to a classroom of eager children.

- It only takes about 20 minutes of your time.
- The children love it!
- We provide you with the book (& a hat if you like)!
- It will make you happy:)
- We can pair you with a school near your workplace.
- If you have a specific school you'd like to volunteer for, we'll make every effort to place you there!

To volunteer, **email Success By 6** and tell us your name, your preferred time & your preferred location (if you have one).

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To learn more about our Young Leaders Society or to JOIN YLS, [click here!](#)



Get Ready for our 4th Annual March Madness Bracketology Challenge!

Look for an email once the brackets are selected. Pick the winning teams. Win Prizes!



SAVE THE DATE!
DAY of ACTION
Friday, June 15th



FIVE HORIZONS
HEALTH SERVICES

OPEN HOUSE

Monday, February 5th, 9am
2720 6th Street
Tuscaloosa, AL

West Alabama AIDS Outreach (WAAO) is now Five Horizons Health Services.

The name change represents an increase in services offered by the agency. General medical care is now available, as are specialized medical services, such as PrEP (Pre-exposure prophylaxis), STD/STI care, and HIV care. Private pay and insurance are accepted.

For 30 years, the agency has provided case management services for individuals dually facing poverty and HIV, as well as HIV-related prevention, testing and advocacy. These services will continue in earnest.

Medical services will allow the agency to assist in keeping West Alabama healthier. PrEP provides the strongest HIV prevention method available. This service, along with HIV care, STD/STI care, and general care, will provide clients with services that meet their holistic healthcare needs.

To receive PrEP or HIV care, many residents have been forced to travel to Birmingham. Now, a convenient location exists in Tuscaloosa.

Appointments are encouraged. Walk-ins are welcome. Please visit the [website](#) for more information.

You are invited to the 2nd Annual
West Alabama Young Leaders Awards

WAYLAS

& Young Leaders Society 2018 Kickoff Luncheon

Thursday, February 22nd
11:30 a.m.
Embassy Suites Ballroom
2410 University Blvd

Honoring:

The David Reynolds Inspiration Award

Max Karrh
Bryant Bank

United in Service Awards

Matt Hood
Hotel Capstone

Derek Osborn
PRIDE of Tuscaloosa

Samuel Paster
Hunt Refining Company

Patricia Powe
University of Alabama



\$30 per person
\$240 for table of 8
Reservations requested by February 14th
julie@uwwa.org or 205.345.6640

[Purchase Tickets Online](#)



Girl Scout Cookies are here!
You can find a booth sale near you by typing in your zip code at girlscoutcookies.org.



The West Alabama Chapter of the American Red Cross recently relocated its office from Northport to Tuscaloosa.

The Red Cross was able to further support community efforts by donating their excess office furniture to United Way and several of its agencies.

Tim Thomson, Disaster Program Manager of the West Alabama Chapter of the American Red Cross, stopped to take a selfie with Patricia Thomas, Program Director, while assisting her to load office furniture donated to Arts and Autism.

Please Join Us

We Have Moved!

West Alabama Chapter Open House

Tuesday, February 13, 2018
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
2130 Paul W. Bryant Drive, Suite B
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401



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Black Warrior Council 5th Annual

BOY SCOUTS of AMERICA CIRCLE OF HONOR LUNCHEON

Check-in 11:30 a.m. Luncheon noon. Business Attire.
Wednesday, April 18, 2018
Embassy Suites – 2410 University Blvd.
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Please be our guest at this 5th Annual Luncheon to benefit the Boy Scouts of America. Funds raised at the luncheon will help make the Scouting program available to over 3,000 young people in West Central Alabama. Scouting continues to thrive due in large part to friends like you who provide the funds to support our mission, “to instill values in young people.” We hope you will be able to join us at this very important event.



Dr. Robert E. Witt
Professor & President Emeritus
The University of Alabama
Event Chair



Nick Saban
Head Football Coach
The University of Alabama
Honoree



Dan Blakley
City President
Regions Bank
2018 Boy Scout Board President

For more information about participating at this event, please contact Bill Gosselin:
bill.gosselin@scouting.org or (205) 554-1680. Corporate Sponsorships available.



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Thank you!
We appreciate your support.



With your help miracles happen every day at UCPWA!

- A young man with disability finds a dream job thru Start On Success.
- A young lady with disability meets new friends thru Camp H.O.P.E.
- A family caregiver gets a much needed break thru H.E.A.R.T.S. Respite.
- A child is transported to a community activity thru Ride No Limits.

Just in time for
St. Patty's Day!

Put your name on a shamrock for \$2 to support life without limits for children and adults at UCP of West Alabama.

THE ARC OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY

is having our
4TH Annual Fire Truck Pull
Saturday, March 24, 2018
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
University Mall Overflow Lot (next to Target)
Free to the Public – Kid’s Zone - Concessions
Entertainment – Tour Emergency Vehicles

Do you have what it takes to pull a 44,000 lb. firetruck from the Tuscaloosa Fire Department?
\$250 per Team

Teams of 10 will compete against each other to see who can pull this firetruck 50 feet with a rope.

Team costumes are always fun but not required. It will be an epic afternoon with proceeds going to support over 250 individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities that we serve.

Get your teams together and come out and
PULL THAT TRUCK!!
Contact Anda Robbins at 205.556.4900, ext. or email at: anda@thearcoftuscaloosa.org



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West Alabama Nonprofit CAREER BOARD uwwa.org/careers

Job Seekers - Don't forget to check our career board! Jobs range from entry level to senior management opportunities.
Job Posters - All nonprofits in West Alabama are eligible to post your listings on the career board. If you have trouble posting, please submit the job description to [Julie Mann](mailto:Julie.Mann).

UNITED WAY Honorariums & Memorials

Did you know that you can give to United Way through special gifts such as Honorariums & Memorials? When you select United Way to receive these donations, we send a letter to the person honored or to the family of the person being remembered letting them know of your contribution. For more information, contact [Julie Mann](mailto:Julie.Mann).

Retirees Keep in Touch!

Are you retiring soon? Don't forget to let us know how to stay in touch with you! Please email your home and personal email address to [Jon Lambert](mailto:Jon.Lambert).



hearts on fire
for **Arts'n
Autism**

Step 1:

Purchase a paper heart
\$1, \$5, \$10, \$25

Step 2:

Write your name on the heart

Step 3:

Watch your contribution be
displayed

Step 4:

Receive your
Tuscaloosa Flower Shoppe
flyer for Valentine's Day!



TURNING POINT
Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services

Ending Violence and Building Peace in West Alabama Since 1979

You're Invited!

Join the Board, Staff, and Volunteers of Turning Point, along with special speakers and entertainment at our 2017 Annual Meeting.

Thursday, February 22, 2018
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
RSVP: (205) 758-0808



**Sending Flowers for
Valentine's Day?**



Help Support
hearts on fire
for **Arts'n
Autism**
February 14th



Order from



www.tuscaloosafloreshoppe.com
2208 University Boulevard
(205) 758 - 3065

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