



# SUPPORTING ALICE HOUSEHOLDS' BASIC NEEDS: HEALTH CARE

## GOAL

All households in Southeastern Michigan have affordable, comprehensive medical and behavioral health supports and services.

## CHALLENGE

In our region, 338,000 people are uninsured, leaving them without access to necessary health care. Another 1.7 million are on Medicare and Medicaid, and 27,700 children are on MiChild insurance.

## SOLUTION

Through our basic needs grants and health partnerships, United Way supports our partners' efforts to improve both medical and behavioral health care access for people in our region. This includes funding to staff case management, mental health services, referrals and information, and direct medical care. Our partnerships with local health departments help us align our work with the needs of people in our region, and to leverage and partner with local governments on health initiatives.

<b>KEY PROJECTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community health assessments and community health improvement plans</li> <li>• Community Information Exchange (CIE)</li> <li>• Investments in service providers to “bridge the gap”</li> </ul>
<b>KEY POLICY INITIATIVES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve access to quality, affordable medical care for all</li> <li>• Preserve the Children’s Health Insurance Program, Medicaid programs, and the consumer protections secured under the Affordable Care Act</li> <li>• Prevent the implementation of arbitrary barriers to care such as mandatory drug testing or work requirements</li> </ul>
<b>FY 2021 KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of children with a medical home and primary care provider</li> <li>• Number of individuals who receive affordable prescription services</li> <li>• Number of individuals who receive behavioral health services</li> </ul>

## HOW TO SUPPORT

Donor support helps us fund critical case management and behavioral health staff for trusted partners throughout the region. Our advocates help us protect access to health care through state and federal programs.

