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## **United Way of Central West Virginia Hosts 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Day of Caring**

**CHARLESTON** – Celebrating its 10th Annual Day of Caring Sept. 16, United Way of Central West Virginia's volunteers will help nonprofit agencies stock kitchen pantries, paint, clean, landscape and perform construction work. Each county will hold their own Day of Caring kickoff rally at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers will then go to Boone, Clay, Kanawha, Logan and Putnam counties to tackle projects in local communities

“Through the Day of Caring, volunteers have the opportunity to help local people and agencies and see what can happen when we all work together. It’s a celebration of volunteerism and being able to support our communities with hard work while having fun and, most importantly, making a difference in the lives of those in need,” said John Ballengee, president of United Way of Central WV.

It is expected that more than 600 volunteers from area companies, schools and organizations, will donate the day to assist local health and human service agencies with a host of maintenance projects that normally cannot get done due to financial and personnel constraints.

Volunteers are valuable resources of any community and organization. Day of Caring participants represent the community, businesses, nonprofits, educational institutions, civic and service organizations, and local and state governments. Day of Caring teams range from two persons to more than 40 individuals.

Please mark your calendars and make plans to join us. For more information on Day of Caring, please contact John Ballengee at (304) 340-3503.

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*United Way of Central West Virginia is a volunteer-led, volunteer-driven organization representing Boone, Clay, Logan, Kanawha and Putnam counties. From the board of directors to fundraising volunteers to others who lend a hand each year, all ensure United Way continues to make an impact on the issues that matter most. By encouraging all people in Central West Virginia to give, advocate or volunteer, United Way wants to show the power of “living united”. For more information, visit [www.unitedwaycww.org](http://www.unitedwaycww.org) or call 304.340.3500.*