

UNITED WAY OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS

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UNITED WAY OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS AWARDED \$11.5 MILLION GRANT FROM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO CONTINUE HEALTH CARE NAVIGATION PROGRAM

*Grant Will Support Continued Efforts to Connect Underserved Communities
with Health Care Resources and Insurance Coverage Across North Texas*

DALLAS (SEPT. 3, 2024) – [United Way of Metropolitan Dallas](#) has been awarded a significant five-year grant by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to continue its crucial Health Care Navigation work. The grant, valued at \$2.3 million per year, will enable United Way of Metropolitan Dallas to further its mission of connecting underserved communities with essential health care resources and insurance coverage.

The Health Care Navigation program, which was initially funded through a three-year grant awarded in August 2021, has been instrumental in assisting North Texas residents in understanding and accessing health care options. The program has provided personalized assistance to individuals and families, helping them navigate the complexities of the health insurance marketplace and ensuring they receive the coverage they need.

With this new five-year grant, United Way of Metropolitan Dallas will continue to expand its efforts to address health disparities in the region, focusing on education, outreach, and one-on-one support for individuals who face barriers to accessing health care. The program will continue to serve as a vital resource for the community, especially as health care needs evolve.

“Access to quality health care is essential for the well-being of our community, and our Health Care Navigation program is a critical resource for many in our community who may not know where to turn,” said Jennifer Sampson, McDermott-Templeton President and CEO of United Way of Metropolitan Dallas. “This generous grant from the Department of Health and Human Services enables us to continue our work, ensuring that individuals and families across North Texas receive the guidance and support they need to secure health insurance and care. We are deeply grateful for the continued trust and support from HHS.”

The Health Care Navigation program has proven to be a lifeline for many in the Dallas area, providing tailored assistance that includes explaining health care options, helping individuals enroll in coverage, and ensuring they understand how to use their insurance effectively. This next phase of funding will enable United Way to continue its outreach, particularly in underserved communities that often face significant challenges in accessing health care.

For more information about the Health Care Navigation program, visit [United Way of Metropolitan Dallas - Health Care Navigators](#).

In 2025, United Way of Metropolitan Dallas will proudly celebrate 100 years as the leading force for social change in North Texas. The centennial anniversary represents a milestone year that will include a dynamic line-up of volunteer and community events – including our Centennial Celebration, presented by PepsiCo – that will not only honor our rich legacy but also shine a spotlight on the bold, innovative ways we’re shaping the future of our region. With our committed partners, we’re setting the stage for the next century of positive, long-lasting change, ensuring that we create the access and opportunity for North Texans to

thrive for generations to come.

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About United Way of Metropolitan Dallas

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas is a social change organization that unites the community to create access and opportunity for all North Texans to thrive. We bring together passionate change-makers alongside corporate, civic and nonprofit partners to drive lasting change and equity in education, income and health – the building blocks of opportunity. United Way is committed to leading a fully inclusive, multicultural movement right here at home. We invite all North Texans to Live United and be part of this change. To give, advocate or volunteer, visit UnitedWayDallas.org.

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