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United Way of Greater Augusta Celebrates National Volunteer Week with a Week of Caring

During the National Volunteer Week, over 200 volunteers in the Greater Augusta region will complete projects with 11 local nonprofit agencies. We are calling it the Week of Caring (#WOC2017) and it will feature 10+ companies that are stepping up to the plate and showing our community that they care.

Some of the highlights will include DuPont Community Credit Union and their large team of over 80 volunteers that will prep and deliver Meals on Wheels for both Staunton and Waynesboro. To not be outdone by DCCU, City National Bank is stepping up with teams that will help wash windows at the Daily Living Center and a team that will clean up the garden at the Waynesboro Senior Center. A group from NIBCO will help Vector Industries clean out their old facility. Vector Industries is also getting help from Hershey with mulching and brush clean up in hopes to get their Memorial Path up and running. Hershey is also sorting food at the Food Bank during Week of Caring. We have several teams going out to Project Grows to help build a fence and plant potatoes, Ball Advanced Aluminum & Technologies and Synergy Rehab & Wellness.

Week of Caring officially kicks off with a Children's Book Swap on Sunday, April 23rd at the UWGA's office on 24 Idlewood Blvd at 1:30 with the help of Daikin Applied. United Way staff and board of directors will be visiting all sites to thank the volunteers throughout the week. Complete schedule for the week can be found on the second page of the press release.

For questions or interview requests, please send Nadina Pupic an email at nadina.pupic@unitedway.org

About United Way of Greater Augusta

United Way of Greater Augusta is part of a national network of more than 1,300 locally governed organizations that work to create lasting positive changes in communities and people's lives. Building on more than a century of service as the nation's preeminent community-based fundraiser, United Way engages the community to identify the underlying causes of the most significant local issues, develops strategies and pulls together financial and human resources to address them, and measures the results. United Way of Greater Augusta tackle issues based on local needs. Common focus areas include helping children and youth succeed, improving access to health care, promoting self-sufficiency, and strengthening families. For more information about United Way of Greater Augusta, please visit: www.unitedwayga.org

<u>Sunday-4/23</u>	1:30pm-4:30pm	UWGA	Daikin Applied will help with the Children's Book Swap
<u>M-4/24</u>	10am-1:30	Daily Living Center	City National Bank will help wash windows and interact with clients
	9am-11am	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
	11am-12	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will deliver Meals on Wheels
	10:30am-11	Staunton Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
	11am-1pm	Staunton Senior Center	DCCU will deliver Meals on Wheels in Staunton
	1pm-4pm	VASCI	Colombia Gas will help VASCI residents plant a garden
<u>T-4/25</u>	9:30am-4pm	Project Grows	Ball Tech & City National Bank will build a fence and plant potatoes
	8:30am-4pm	Vector Industries	Hershey will mulch and clear out brush for the Memorial Path
	9am-11	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
	11am-12	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will deliver Meals on Wheels
	10:30am-11	Staunton Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
	11am-1pm	Staunton Senior Center	DCCU will deliver Meals on Wheels in Staunton
	1pm-4pm	MHA-A	Colombia Gas will help distribute brochures and posters
<u>W-4/26</u>	4pm-8pm	UWGA	Volunteers will help with the Children's Book Swap
	9am-11	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
	11am-12	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will deliver Meals on Wheels
	10:30am-11	Staunton Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
	11am-1pm	Staunton Senior Center	DCCU will deliver Meals on Wheels in
<u>TH-4/27</u>	8am-3pm	Food Bank	Hershey will sort food and repack bulk items
	9am-12	W'boro Senior Center	City National Bank will clean up the outdoor garden
	1pm-4pm	VPAS-Waynesboro	Volunteers will paint an office
	9am-11	W'boro Senior Center	DCCU will prep food for Meals on Wheels
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<u>F-4/28</u>	10am-3	Project Grows	Synergy Rehab will plant potatoes and build raised beds
<u>TH-5/4</u>	9am-4pm	Renewing HOMes	McKee will complete repairs for an elderly lady in Waynesboro