

15,412 people in Sault Ste. Marie and Algoma district live in poverty

It's Year 2 and to date we have pledges of \$1,890,401. We need \$4,359,599 to reach our 5-Year goal of \$6.25 million.

Today is a great day to change a life.

Donate Today.

There's an issue

For too many Canadians across the country, poverty is a daily - and difficult - struggle. It forces people and families to make impossible choices like whether to put food on the table or pay the rent. It touches every aspect of a person's life, making it difficult to get ahead and realize a future full of possibility. In Sault Ste. Marie & Algoma district:

- 3,622** people are unemployed
- 10,294** families are on social assistance
- 739** are low income working families
- 357** are seniors with low income
- 400** people are staying in shelters

But, there are barriers

Poverty isn't just about a paycheque. In fact, it touches almost every aspect of a person's life from food, shelter and employment to mental and physical well being. It's a social and economic issue that also impacts entire communities - and the people who live there.

There's a way forward

With your support, United Way together, with our lead partners, is helping to meet the needs of our community's most vulnerable people and families, giving them an opportunity to build a better future.

This includes providing a variety of programs to address the community's immediate needs in case of emergency & extraordinary circumstances and ensure clients receive supports needed to address the barriers to education and employment.

Your donation stays LOCAL



Lives Changed

Veronica's Story

"I was lost, alone and desperate. Breton House changed me into a better person. I became a supportive parent to my kids, a dedicated employee, a productive member of society, a happy woman in general.

My mentor guided me every step of my recovery and empowered me to turn brokenness into hopefulness. Breton House is my home. And the people I met there are now my family."

Amanda's Story

"Before Journey to Success, I lacked confidence in myself. I did not know what my learning disability was or what my areas of needs were.

Slowly but surely, I learned to speak my truth and make decisions on my own. The program helped me understand my learning style and inspired me to embrace my strengths as I improved my performance at school."

Your donation supports the following programs:

Youth In Action, YMCA

Addiction Services, Breton House

Options Navigator and Discharge Planning,
John Howard Society

The Cadet Program, Royal Canadian Air Cadets

Project Life Saver, Sault Search & Rescue

Money & Debt Management and Financial

Education Programs, Credit Counselling Service

24 Hour Crisis Line & Walk-in Service, Women
In Crisis (Algoma) Inc.

Counselling Program, Canadian Mental Health
Association

General Support Services, Hearing Care

Counselling and Employment Supports,
Canadian Hearing Society

Home Based Support & Vision Mate Program,
Canadian National Institute for the Blind

Journey to Success and Social Skills, Learning
Disabilities Association

Job Search Training, Ken Brown Recovery Home

Community Kitchens, Canadian Red Cross

Community Assistance Trust, United Way

Essential Services Outreach Worker, United Way

Northern Health Travel Grants, United Way

Volunteer Sault Ste. Marie, United Way

Volunteer Income Tax Program, United Way

United Way Bursary Program, United Way

211 Database, United Way & SSM Innovation Centre

District Grants


United Way Sault Ste. Marie & Algoma District is committed to distribute funds raised from District communities back to the District.

2017 District Projects

- Superior Children's Centre in Wawa - Community Kitchens program.
- Maplegate Elliot Lake Women's Group - Violence Against Women program.
- Salvation Army in Elliot Lake - Food security program.

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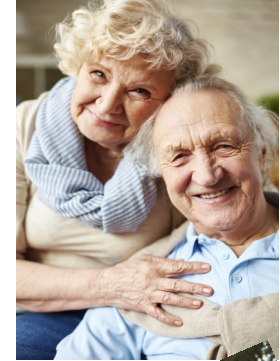
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"We succeed only when we all succeed"



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