Heart of the Ozarks United Way
Missouri State-West Plains

PLEDGE CARD
THANK YOU!

Name: _____

Department: _____

M#: _____

If you are currently using payroll deduction, do not return this form unless you want to change your payroll deduction or designate your pledge to a local agency.

Checks can be made payable to **Heart of the Ozarks United Way**.

Please turn in your pledge card to Alyssa Collins in the human resources office, Kellett 203, **by the Dec. 11 deadline.**

Ways to Give:

(Check one.)

_____ **Continue** current payroll deduction.

_____ **Change** payroll deduction to $_____ per month

_____ **Start** payroll deduction: Amount per month $_____
(*Payroll deductions will be sent directly to Heart of the Ozarks United Way. As with other payroll deductions, the deduction will continue each month until changed or cancelled by the employee in writing.)*

_____ **Direct Payment:** Enclosing $_____

(Optional) Designated agency: _____

(Optional) Designated internal program: _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Dear Valued Employee:

It's time for the Heart of the Ozarks United Way's annual workplace campaign, and we hope we can count on your support again this year.

Thanks to your generosity in 2026, we were able to fund **12 local agencies** in **Howell and Oregon counties** and continue running **four essential internal programs**. Your donations made a real difference by supporting:

- Two domestic violence shelters
- Four after-school programs
- Girl Scouts activities
- A homeless shelter
- Three programs for foster children, and
- An African American cultural center

In Fall 2026, Heart of the Ozarks United Way is **launching a new free art program** with classes for both children and adults, offering instruction across a variety of art mediums. You can learn more at www.heartoftheozarksunitedway.org.

We're also continuing our commitment to literacy through the **Books for Teachers** program, which provides grants to educators for classroom libraries and expanded reading selections. Our **Fall 2026** grants will focus on **Couch, Winona, Alton, Koshkonong and Thayer** school districts.

If you're already investing in the United Way - **thank you!** Your generosity fuels lasting change. This year, we invite you to renew your support, and if you're able, consider increasing your pledge to help us expand our reach even further.

If you're considering giving for the first time, know that **every dollar counts** - and every dollar stays right here in our community to support programs that promote **financial stability, education, and health**.

Thank you for being part of the Heart of the Ozarks United Way family. On behalf of our partner agencies and the people they serve, we deeply appreciate your investment in our region and your belief in building stronger, more resilient communities.

With gratitude,

Andy Tripp
Board President

2027 Partner Agencies

Samaritan Outreach Homeless Shelter
Christos House Domestic Violence Shelter
Agape House Domestic Violence Shelter
Lincoln School
37th Judicial CASA for Children
Girl Scout Hut of West Plains
Mt. View Family Youth Center
Birthday Blessings
Ozark Family YMCA—Willow Springs
Boys and Girls Club—Thayer
Boys and Girls Club—West Plains
Chaos Closet

2027 Internal Programs

Home Goods Program Conversation Starters Art Program Books for Teachers Warming Shelter Program