



United Way of Anchorage

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ConocoPhillips chief heads United Way's campaign cabinet

Anchorage AK – Joe Marushack, president of ConocoPhillips Alaska and longtime supporter of United Way, will chair the 2019 United Way of Anchorage Community Campaign.

Marushack heads a seasoned team of Alaska business and community leaders who have volunteered to lead the annual community-wide giving campaign. The goal is to provide a financial backbone for Anchorage's collaborative effort to improve health care, education, and housing and financial stability for everyone in the community.

"I am honored to chair the United Way campaign this year," said Marushack. "This is a personal issue for me, as I have seen the general increased need for services in our community. I am committed to making progress on these issues, and believe that when we all get involved, we can move the needle and make a real difference in peoples' lives."

Joining Marushack on the campaign cabinet are:

Tom Barrett, immediate past campaign chairman,
Alyeska Pipeline Service Company

Mike Huston, Northrim Bank

John Sims, ENSTAR

Joe Everhart, Wells Fargo

Ed Gohr, Delta Constructors

Paul Landes, GCI

Aaron Schutt, Doyon

Darlene Gates, ExxonMobil Alaska

Karen King, Spawn Ideas

Tina Grovier, Stoel Rives

Julie Taylor, Alaska Regional Hospital

Patrick Flynn, United Way Tocqueville Society

Sophie Minich, CIRI

Rick Fox, Edison Chouest Offshore Companies

Mike Lina, GEICO

Jeff Doyle, NANA WorleyParsons

Chris Wilson, Subway of Alaska

Terry Howard, Carlile Transportation

Eric Badger, Alaska West Express

Janet Weiss, BP Alaska

Thomas Yetman, Providence Medical Group
Alaska

Lori McCaffery, KeyBank

Ryan Strong, First National Bank Alaska

Through the campaign, companies and individuals invest in the long-range health, prosperity and stability of Anchorage through community-wide goals like increasing high-school graduation rates, connecting Alaskans to health-care services and making homelessness brief and rare.

The return on United Way's community campaign investment includes:

- a high school graduation rate up 20 points since 2005
- \$5 million returned every year to hard-working Anchorage residents who received help filing taxes
- nine consecutive winters that no child has had to sleep out in the cold thanks to Emergency Cold Weather Shelter
- 100 families experiencing homelessness rapidly rehoused through the Family Community Housing Program
- 23,160 calls to the 2-1-1 helpline in 2018 answered by knowledgeable, compassionate specialists.

Those are just a few of the reasons why 4,658 donors contributed almost \$5.3 million to the community campaign in 2018.

This year's goal is \$5.5 million.

Although the community campaign runs from September to December 2019, companies and individuals depend on United Way to receive and steward philanthropic gifts year-round.

About United Way of Anchorage

United Way of Anchorage is a community of donors, advocates, volunteers, and partners who fight for the health, education and financial stability of every person in our community. LIVE UNITED.

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