

# UNITED is the way FORWARD



## WE HELP PEOPLE IN THE NORTH COUNTRY

### It's True: We are Better Together

Many of our neighbors throughout the Northern Region face challenges that cannot be met by a single organization. That's where Granite United Way has been able to step in and partner with other community-based organizations to share resources.

Working Better Together was formed organically - By talking, sharing, and connecting, nonprofits are able to forge partnerships allowing everybody's "needle" to move. Using this premise, Working Better Together was formed.

Not only has Working Better Together allowed collaborations to occur, but vital information is shared between agencies. Many times, a nonprofit will announce what they are doing and others in the community are oblivious.

At one meeting of the group, many found out how the Granite United Way and AHEAD have given out more than \$30,000 in grocery gift cards in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Attendees were inspired at the sheer number and support.

"With the overwhelming needs in our rural North Country communities, it is so important we look out for each other and work together. That's how we improve, build, and sustain strong, healthy communities. Granite United Way of North Country paved the way with Working Better Together," said Joy Davis, Director of Operations, AHEAD Inc. "Together, with Granite United Way, we truly make a meaningful difference in our neck of the woods."

### A GIFT TO GRANITE UNITED WAY HELPS OUR NORTH COUNTRY NEIGHBORS



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### LOCAL IMPACT STARTS HERE

**1,324 CALLS TO 211 NH**  
were made by North Country residents seeking information and resources.

### NORTH COUNTRY GRANTS

Local volunteers awarded grant funding to 11 North Country nonprofits, including Equity Grants to local nonprofits that address complex community needs.

### RECOVERY FRIENDLY WORKPLACES

There are 13 Recovery Friendly Workplaces throughout the North Country and Northern Region that are businesses dedicated to fostering a supportive environment that encourages the success of their employees in recovery.

### FREE TAX PREPARATION

In the North Country we offered a new element of free tax preparation this year at an on-site VITA at a Lisbon manufacturing company. Our volunteers helped these filers claim \$14,523 in refunds.

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