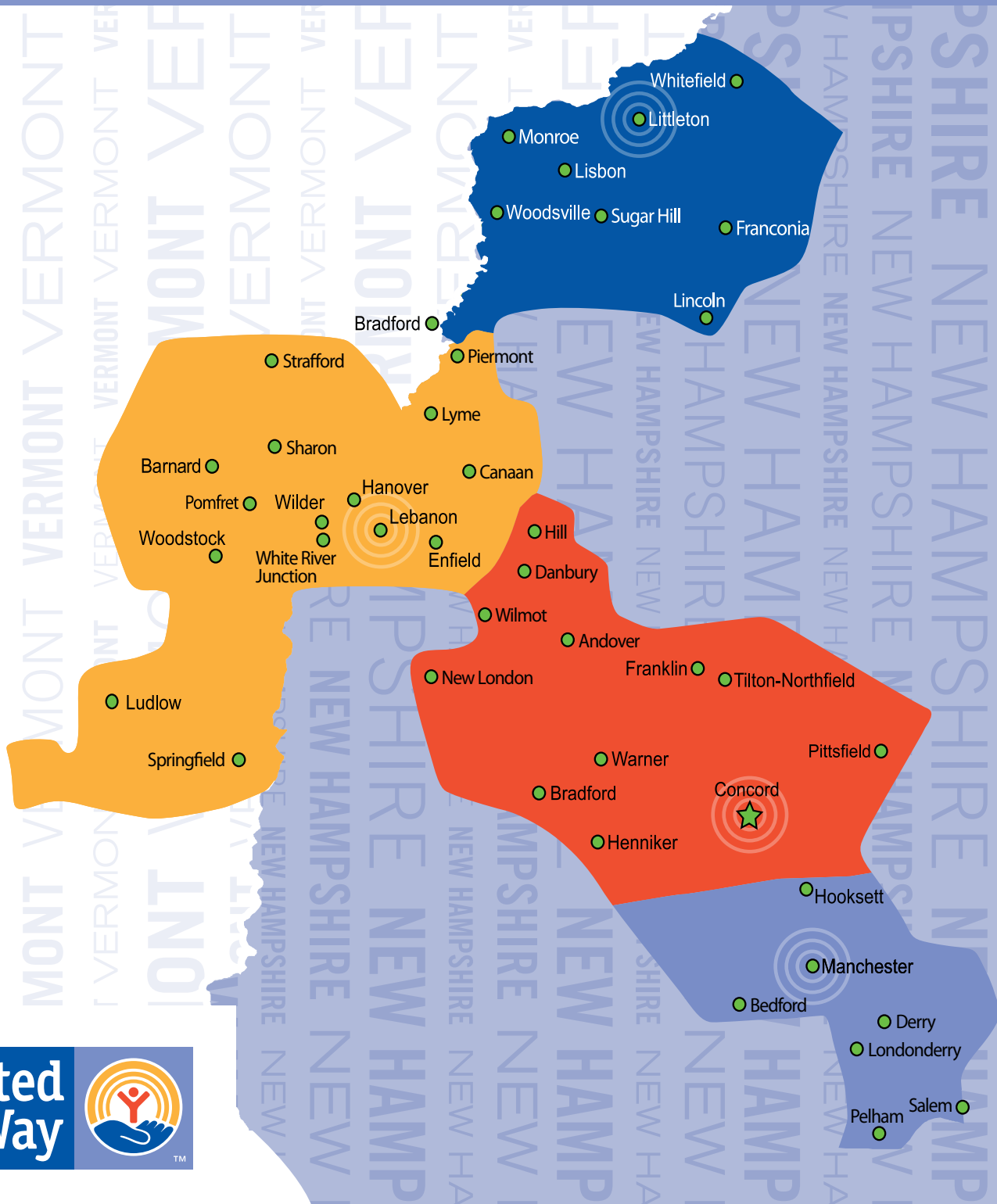


# WORKING TOGETHER IN OUR COMMUNITY



# GIVE.

Our campaign is the easiest and most powerful way to invest in your community. You can direct your contribution to one of our impact areas—Education, Income and Health—or choose all three!

# ADVOCATE.

Make change happen with your voice. Get informed. Tell your friends. Write a letter to the editor. United Way needs people who are passionate about education, income and health to make some noise. Sign up on our website to receive our newsletter or join us on Facebook so you can stay in the know!

# VOLUNTEER.

Granite United Way has partnered with Volunteer NH! to make it easy for youth, busy working adults and seniors to find the volunteer opportunity that is right for them. Use the online search tool at [www.volunteernh.org](http://www.volunteernh.org) to find an opportunity in NH or Windsor County, Vermont.

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## Why Education, Income and Health?

### EDUCATION:

#### Helping Youth Grow and Succeed

##### THE ISSUES:

- » The average annual income for a high school dropout is \$9,634 less than the average annual income for a high school graduate.
- » The lowest-achieving 25% of students are twenty times more likely to drop out of high school than students in the highest 25%.
- » Only 30% of entering high school freshmen read proficiently which means that as their material becomes more challenging, they fall even further behind.
- » Dropouts, over the course of his or her lifetime, cost the nation approximately \$260,000.

##### HOW DOES GRANITE UNITED WAY HELP?

Our focus on education and skills development includes:

- » **Investing** in early-learning, school-preparedness and parent education programs.
- » **Investing** in youth development programs to prepare them for success in later grades and to graduate high school.
- » **Investing** in dropout prevention and juvenile diversion services.



### INCOME:

#### Helping Individuals Achieve and Maintain Independence and Financial Stability

##### THE ISSUES:

- » Record-high poverty rates illustrate a shrinking middle class and growing income inequality.
- » While NH and VT have lower-than-average unemployment rates, those in at-risk populations or who have been unemployed for a significant amount of time require greater assistance to stabilize their situation.
- » Continued increase in the number of individuals who are homeless.

##### HOW DOES GRANITE UNITED WAY HELP?

Our focus on access to basic needs, affordable housing and acquiring assets for self sufficiency includes:

- » **Investing** in temporary and permanent housing programs.
- » **Investing** in programs that provide basic needs and assistance to seniors, the disabled and homebound individuals.
- » **Partnering** with other community collaborators on programs that focus on homelessness and volunteer income tax assistance.



### HEALTH:

#### Increasing Access to Consistent Quality Medical, Mental and Oral Health Services

##### THE ISSUES:

- » The uninsured and underinsured cannot afford necessary, and often life-sustaining, prescription medications.
- » The cost of health insurance for individuals and employers means private coverage is unavailable to many adults and their families, particularly low-wage workers.
- » Lack of adequate dental care can have a devastating effect on the overall health of children and individuals including an increased risk of infection and disease.

##### HOW DOES GRANITE UNITED WAY HELP?

Our focus on quality, affordable, preventative and routine healthcare includes:

- » **Investing** in health programs that assist the most vulnerable populations—the elderly, disabled and children.
- » **Collaborating** with FamilyWize to help individuals and families with significant cost savings on prescription medications.
- » **Supporting** local programs and institutions so that the uninsured and underinsured receive timely and routine health and dental services.



# GIVE. Be a Leader

## 2010-11 Alexis de Tocqueville Society

The Alexis Tocqueville Society was formed to deepen individual understanding of, commitment to, and support of United Way's work: advancing the common good by creating opportunities for a better life for all. The Society recognizes local philanthropic leaders and volunteer champions who have devoted time, talent, and funds to create long-lasting changes by tackling our communities' most serious issues.

Membership in the Alexis Tocqueville Society is granted to individuals who contribute at least \$10,000 annually to Granite United Way.



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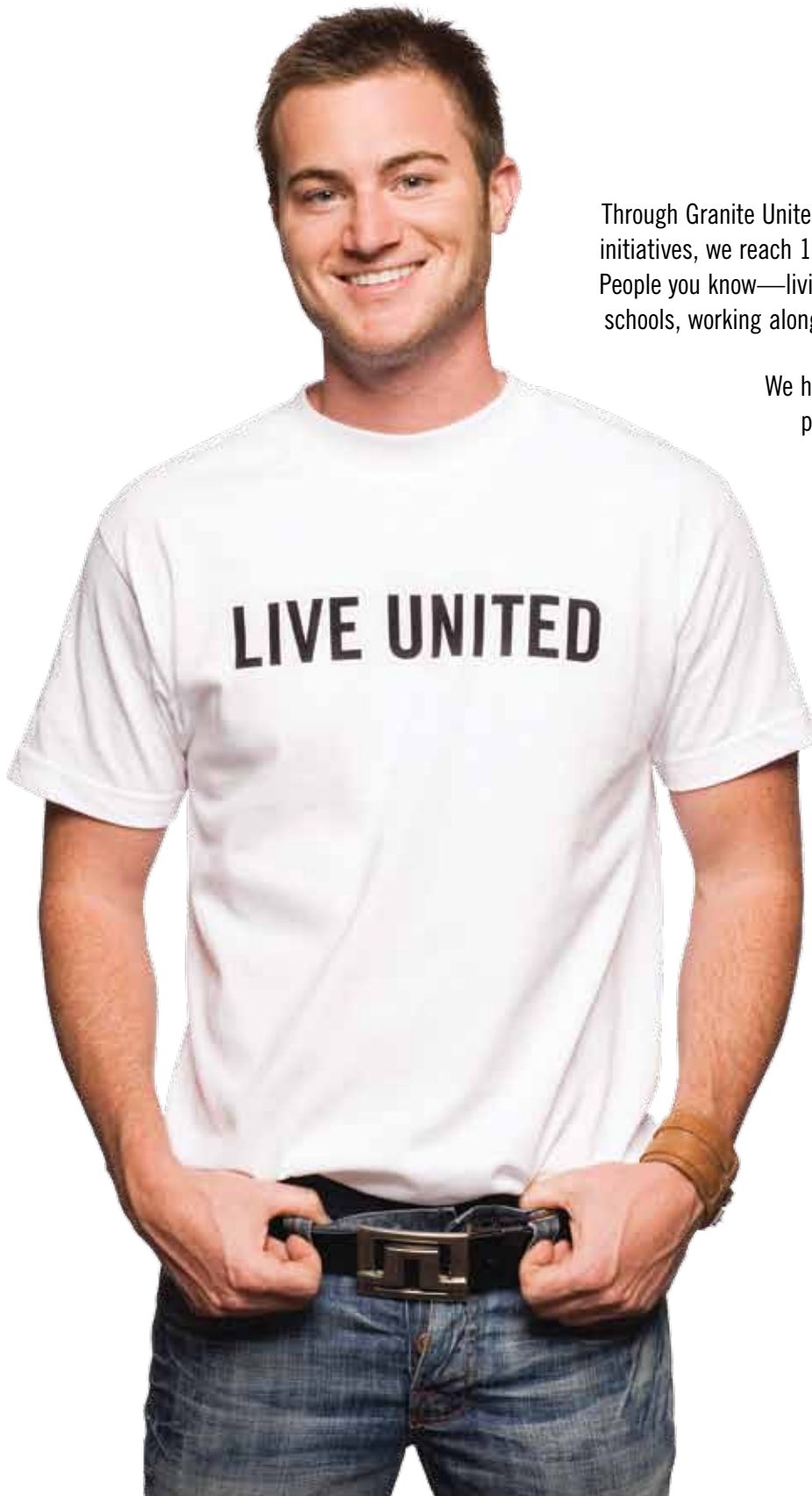
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# VOLUNTEER.

## Why should you partner with Granite United Way?



Through Granite United Way's partner programs and community initiatives, we reach 1 in 5 people living right here in your community. People you know—living in your neighborhood, going to your kids' schools, working alongside you every day.

We help people by funding close to 200 local programs. We bring individuals and organizations together to solve problems and create lasting change. We mobilize volunteers. Together, we ensure that more kids go to bed with their bellies full and wake up healthy and ready to learn in the morning; that more adults are on the path to a successful financial future; and that individuals and families have access to the medical care and services they need.

**We provide the building blocks for a better community and a better life.**



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