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United Way of the Midlands Receives Grant from Peter Kiewit Foundation

United Way of the Midlands (UWM) is proud to announce it has been awarded a grant of \$250,000 from Peter Kiewit Foundation. The grant will support the basic needs investment area of UWM's Community Care Fund.

In the Omaha-Council Bluffs metro area, more than 104,000 people are living in poverty (about 11.8% of the total population). An additional 308,000 metro area residents, over one-third of the total population, are struggling to make ends meet. Without a solid foundation, it can be difficult for both groups to get ahead and stay ahead in school and life.

Through the Community Care Fund, UWM funds 110 programs that work together to provide basic needs, education and financial stability supports to those in need. By investing in basic needs programs through the Community Care Fund, Peter Kiewit Foundation is helping UWM ensure that a network of basic supports is available for those experiencing crisis. With stable access to safe housing, food, healthcare and family support, people living in poverty will have the opportunity to thrive and grow right here in our community.

"We are honored to receive support from Peter Kiewit Foundation," said Shawna Forsberg, president and CEO at UWM. "This grant will make it possible for us to help those who need it most in our community and create a path of opportunity for them."

About United Way of the Midlands

Thanks to donors, volunteers and community partners, United Way of the Midlands (UWM) is not only focused on addressing our community's human needs today; it is focused on what can be and what should be. It is building on today's strong partnerships to create even more comprehensive human service efforts tomorrow, so our community can solve some of the root causes of poverty. UWM is community-based, community-focused. Thanks to those who share their strength, UWM is COMMUNITY STRONG. Please visit UnitedWayMidlands.org for more information.

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