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SV United Way Hosted Day of Action With 390 Volunteers at 37 Project Sites

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Stanekiewicz, newly appointed President and CEO of Susquehanna Valley United Way. "It may seem like such a simple act, but sometimes the easiest things can make the biggest difference. We would like to thank all the volunteers for choosing to make that difference with us today."

This powerful day of giving back brings neighbors together while helping local organizations tackle real needs—many of which can be completed in a single day thanks to the energy and dedication of volunteers.

"I look forward to this event every year," shared Jennifer Delbaugh from Berks Technical Institute. "I've been volunteering with the United Way's Day of Action for eight or nine years now. It's always a great time to meet new people, connect with the community, and it feels good knowing you're helping someone."

In Union County, the Public Library for Union County was proud to participate in the Susquehanna Valley United Way's Day of Action 2025. Volunteers from Bowen Agency Realtors generously spent their time landscaping and refreshing the library grounds, helping to create a more beautiful and welcoming environment for the community. Their efforts support the library's mission to maintain spaces where everyone feels welcomed and valued.

"We are so grateful for the incredible support from Bowen Agency Realtors and the Susquehanna Valley United Way," said Toby Schwartzman, Director of the Public Library for Union County. "The dedication and generosity shown by our community partners truly make a lasting impact, and we are honored to have their help in strengthening the spaces that bring people together."

SUMMIT Early Learning was also another site that benefitted from Day of Action and the volunteers. "Each year, the Susquehanna Valley United Way's Day of Action brings volunteers together to support local non-profits—and this year was no exception. SUMMIT Early Learning's central office in Middletown was among the 37 project sites across five Central PA counties to benefit from the effort," said Bette Scott, Community Relationship Manager at SUMMIT Early Learning.

Volunteers from the Union County Democratic Committee helped with much-needed mulching and vehicle washing at the site, providing a welcome boost to the agency's outdoor upkeep.

"The Day of Action is a powerful example of community members coming together to make a meaningful impact," noted Scott.

In addition to the Lewisburg Children's Museum and SUMMIT Early Learning, other project sites in Union County included Campus Theatre, Donald Valley YMCA-Lewisburg Branch, and Lewisburg Children's Museum.

The Day of Action is a powerful demonstration of what can be achieved when a community comes together to give back. By connecting volunteers with nonprofits in need, United Way strengthens the region and enhances services for individuals and families.

To learn how to get involved in the other United Way initiatives and projects, visit svuw.org.



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Across the Susquehanna Valley, Susquehanna Valley United Way's Day of Action helped to improve our communities through volunteerism. On April 25, more than 390 volunteers rolled up their sleeves to work at 37 project sites across Snyder, Union, Northumberland, Columbia and Montour Counties for a team-building experience to complete much needed-work in just one day!

Day of Action is a powerful day of giving back and improving our local communities to provide practical and tangible solutions to challenges and needs. Community members and organizations partner together to make a difference.

From morning into the afternoon, teams of volunteers—from individuals and families to company groups—were busy painting, planting, organizing, cleaning, building, and more. Projects were underway at libraries, playgrounds, youth centers, food pantries, veteran programs, and dozens of other community-based nonprofits.

"Seeing so many of our community members who are willing to get out and volunteer their time truly embodies our mission here at SVUW," said Mark