

EMPOWERED ADULTS

The OnRamp Collaborative, supported by UWVBR, helps build a stronger and more resilient community for all. This collective impact builds a foundation for future generational progress, ensuring a brighter future for all.



126 adults achieved employment earning a living wage and helped transform the lives of their entire families, positively affecting **494 children and adults** connected to them.



Securing a living-wage job improves their immediate quality of life and also opens doors to long-term opportunities such as savings, homeownership, and further education.



By upskilling adults for high-demand jobs, we're unlocking over **\$108 million** in potential earnings over 20 years, lifting entire families and building stronger, more resilient communities.

CHW/HUB

Community Health Workers (CHW) act as a bridge between communities, health care systems, and state health departments. Their goal is to work alongside community members to find the best path to wellness.



UWVBR Franklin County Community Health Workers made **8,689 meaningful connections** this year, each one representing a step toward better health and wellness for community members in need.



These interactions provided essential health education, helped neighbors navigate resources like healthcare and housing, and ensured individuals had access to the support they needed at the most critical times.



CHWs generate a \$3 return on every dollar invested - saving **\$1.5M in healthcare costs** every year.



UNITED WAY
Virginia's Blue Ridge



At United Way of Virginia's Blue Ridge, we believe that United is the Way for families to succeed, and for our entire community to thrive. That's why our holistic approach lifts up whole families creating lasting change and fueling economic growth.

EARLY LEARNING STRATEGIES

UWVBR wants to ensure every child enters school ready to succeed. We collaborate with the Virginia Early Childhood Foundation, the Virginia Department of Education, and local community and educational partners.



UWVBR ensured that **6,946 children under age 5** gained access to high-quality early childhood education in **523 classrooms** across our footprint.

These affordable programs empower parents to pursue work or education, meeting their family's needs while giving their children a strong start.

Expanding access to quality care equips our youngest citizens for success in adulthood, laying the foundation for an estimated **\$32 million** in lifetime earnings.

EARLY INTERVENTION COLLABORATIVE

UWVBR proudly invests in this collaborative to empower CHIP, and its partners, in delivering a holistic, community-centered approach to supporting mothers and children.



The Early Intervention Collaborative provided critical support to **774 mothers and children**, ensuring access to preventive care, mental health services, and essential healthcare.

By addressing these foundational needs, the collaborative fosters healthier futures and strengthens family well-being.

By partnering with local organizations, CHIP ensures families receive comprehensive care tailored to their unique needs, fostering healthier and stronger futures.

SUCCESSFUL YOUTH

Through the Strengthening Youth Opportunities for Success Collaborative, UWVBR proudly supports and invests in five impactful after school programs.



This collaborative enrolled **387 youth** this year and allowed **240 youth** access to on-site counseling services tailored to their needs.

The programs offered by West End Center for Youth, CAFE, Community Youth Program, Presbyterian Community Center, and Boys & Girls Club provide a safe, nurturing space for young people to learn, grow, and thrive.

Through afterschool programs that provide access to mental health services and basic needs, we're helping youth stay on a path that will generate over **\$219 million** in lifetime earning, driving our community's economic growth.