

UNITED WAY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE 2021



United Way of
Washington County

NEW INVESTMENT - \$179,000



Catholic Charities – Youth & Family Counseling Program
Youth & Family Project – Youth Counseling Program

YOUTH COUNSELING: FUNDING STRATEGY

In 2020, Washington County saw a total of 3,857 in the number of calls to IMPACT 211 for mental health services compared to 165 in 2019. Access to individual counseling services is a critical need for the community. To help address this need, the United Way is investing in two agencies to provide mental health counseling services to youth for 2021.

Mental Health Initiative Approved by United Way's Board

- The United Way Vision Council, a group made up of community members, reviewed Washington County's needs and issues affecting residents.
- The Vision Council recognized mental health services as a growing need for Washington County.
- Currently, there is insufficient access to mental health services in Washington County.
- Lack of access is especially problematic for youth impacted by the pandemic.
- Washington County also suffers from a shortage of mental health providers to deliver counseling services.
- As a result, the United Way approved investments to two nonprofit agencies to provide individual youth counseling services within Washington County.