

# Partnering to Meet Community Needs

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#### Mission Statement

"We will identify and address the needs of our community by organizing the resources of community members to help one another."



#### Who we are

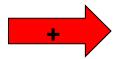
- Established in 1972
- Canadian Registered Charity #10816 0029 RR0001
- Governed by 10 member, volunteer
   Board of Directors
- Annual budget of approximately \$400,000
- Low administration costs of 11%
- 1.3 FTEs: Exec. Dir. and Admin. Asst.



# Fundamental change

In the early 2000s, United Ways across Canada began to undergo significant changes, to ensure their activities had more impact in the communities they served

**Federated Funding** 



**Community Capacity Building** 



# Why change?

- Growing demand for accountability
- No longer live in a world of entitlements
- Increasing complexity of community issues
- Changing workplaces
- Old solutions don't always work
- New demographics and cultures
- New philanthropy by newly wealthy and youth
- Donors very focused and want positive impact
- Fewer resources available and greater needs



# **Why Community Matters?**

- To better understand and adapt to the changing dynamics of our social environment
- To assist communities in identifying, assessing and addressing their high-priority needs and issues
- To provide a framework for community / regional planning, collaboration & cooperation
- To provide a basis for UW strategic planning and future spending



# **Our Strategic Focus**

#### **National Level**

From Poverty to Possibility

Healthy People, Strong communities

All that Kids can be



#### **Local Level**



**Child Poverty** 

Safe & Affordable Housing (homelessness) **Seniors** 

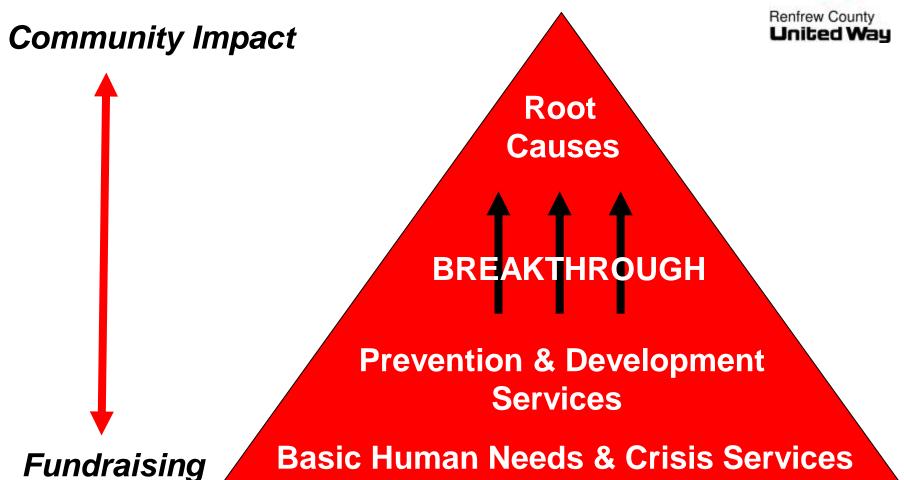
Health Services (health promotion & social determinants of health)

**Transportation** 

Youth (at risk)

# **Our Strategic Direction**







# Implications of change

Our Strategic Focus allows us to better realize our Mission:

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Fundraising

Community
Strategic
Priorities

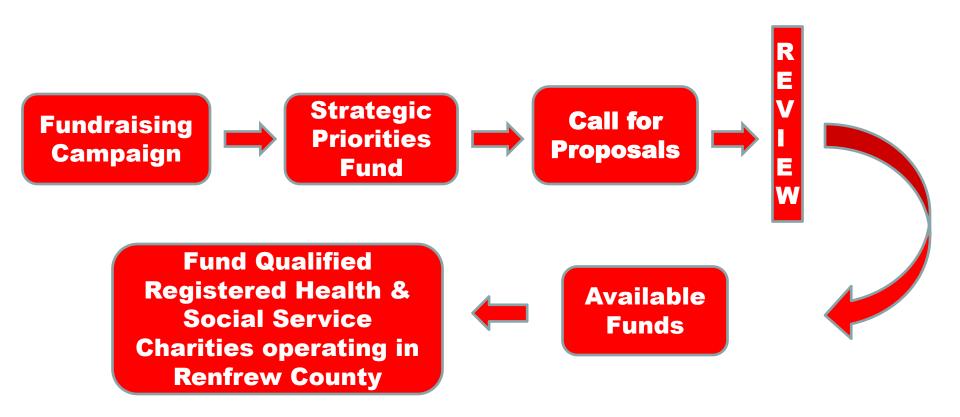
Community
Partnerships = & Resources

Positive
Community
Impact



# **New Funding Approach**

We now have two annual funding streams for Renfrew County charities: Micro-grants of \$1,000 each, plus the Strategic Priorities Fund.





### **Agencies funded in 2015**

- Algonquin Way Cultural Centre \$9,400 to provide home visits and activities for aboriginal senior shut-ins
- Arnprior Regional Health The Grove \$15,000 to provide day program support to young adults with developmental disabilities
- Bonnechere Valley Youth Centre \$10,000 to provide day camp for children in Eganville and area
- Boys & Girls Club of Pembroke \$30,000 to provide after school support, nutrition and other positive programming for children and youth
- Child Poverty Action Network \$1,000 to support a Poverty Reduction Forum
- Family & Children's Services \$25,000 to implement a homelessness action plan for youth
- \*\*North Renfrew Family Service \$20,000 to provide confidential counselling services in Deep River and area
- Thrive Photo Voice \$1,000 to develop a positive, image-based "voice" for Renfrew County youth



## Agencies funded in 2015 (cont'd)

- Petawawa Military Families Resource Centre \$10,000 to provide pre and post-natal nutrition programming for mothers and their babies
- Petawawa Public Library \$1,000 to enhance parent/teacher resource library
- Phoenix Centre for Children & Families \$18,000 to support the Deep River Inclusion Program to prevent bullying in Deep River and Petawawa
- Renfrew County Youth Network \$4,500 to support a Youth Forum
- Robbie Dean Family Counselling Centre \$35,000 to support expanded service in the region including a weekly clinic in Eganville
- Salvation Army Youth Centre \$20,000 to support music, sports and health living programming in Pembroke
- 211 Ontario Service \$12,160 to support FREE, 24/7 confidential referrals to health and social services in Renfrew County

<sup>\*\*</sup>North Renfrew Family Services also received almost \$15,000 in additional funds for 2015, which represents 80% of the proceeds generated from the Deep River Door-to-Door canvass held last fall.



# **Ontario's 211 System**

Leveraging 211 to Improve Human Service Delivery

#### **What is 211?**

- 211 is a two channel, non-emergency communication's system providing reliable information on a broad range of community resources: including social, health and related government services and programs
- 2 1 1 is an easy to remember three-digit phone number providing free, 24/7/365, multi-lingual, confidential access to assistance from certified information and referral specialists
- 211Ontario.ca offers bi-lingual web access to 56,000 services and programs

### **Background on 211**

- 211 launched in 1997 by United Way of Atlanta, Georgia;
- In 2001, United Way of Canada made application to the CRTC to make 211 the universal 3-digit number to help Canadians get better access to information on community services;
- In 2002, the first 211 call centre was launched in Toronto.
   Seven additional call centres have been established to serve all of Ontario;
- In 2007, Ontario 211 Services Corporation created as a provincial, non-profit agency charged with developing and sustaining an integrated provincial 211 system; and,
- On January 28, 2011, 211 service launched in Renfrew County by the United Way and partners.

## **211 Partnership in Renfrew County**

**Lead Agency** 



**Call Centre Provider** 

**Community Information Centre of Ottawa** 



**Data Base Provider** 



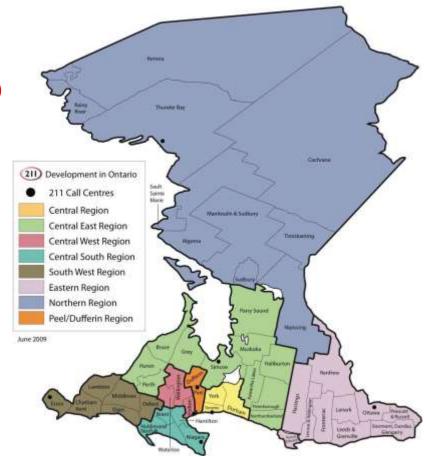
Opening Doors...Growing Together...Making A Difference

# Delivery of 211 Service in Ontario

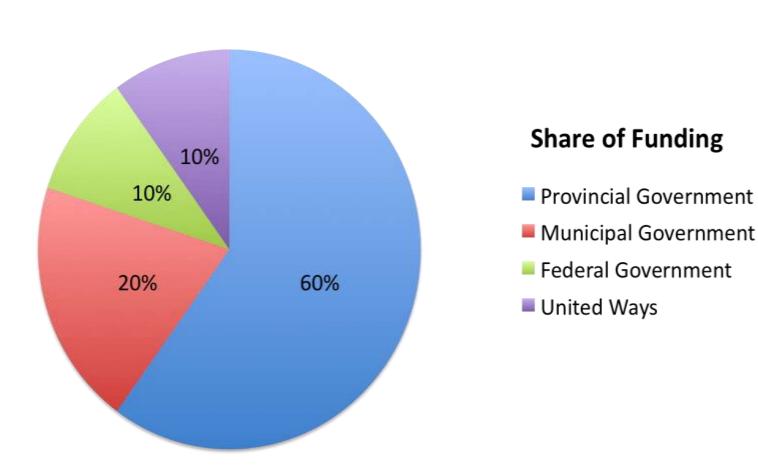
8 service delivery hubs positioned across the province

#### 8 - 211 Service Regions

Each centre fulfills mandates within their designated areas with the coordinated support of the Ontario 211 Services Corporation



# Ontario 211 Funding Formula



# **Key 211 Value Propositions**

- Connecting people to services and resources
- Makes the human services sector and government more efficient and effective
- Authoritative human service information records
- Captures data on public utilization of human services
- Complements first responders during emergencies and disasters
- Promotes volunteerism and community engagement

When you don't know where to turn!



# **Discussion / Questions?**

**Thank You!**