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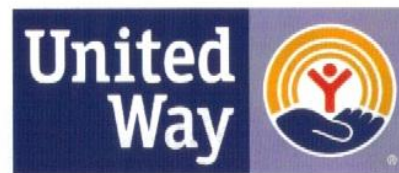
- Great Rivers United Way
- Monroe County Housing Authority
- Monroe County Housing Coalition
- Monroe County Department of Human Services
- Monroe County Workforce Connections
- JOB Center
- Monroe County Senior Services
- Legal Action of Wisconsin
- Monroe County Health Department
- WIC
- Brighter Tomorrows
- Head Start
- Couleecap
- Goodwill Industries
- St. Clair Health Mission
- Salvation Army
- Faith in Action
- Ministerial Associations
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Food Pantries
- Monroe County School Districts
- Ho-Chunk Nation
- Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)
- Landlords and Property Managers
- VA Medical Center
- Veterans Assistance Foundation
- The Parenting Place
- Scenic Bluffs Community Health Clinic
- Local Utility Companies

FUNDING SOURCES

- Great Rivers United Way Community Impact Grant
- United Way Venture Grant
- Safe and Stable Families Grant (Family Preservation & Support Service Grant)
- Emergency Food & Shelter Program
- Frank G. Andres Charitable Trust - Local Foundation
- Thomas B. Earle - Local Foundation
- Evangelical Lutheran Churches of America (ELCA) Hunger Grant
- Salvation Army
- Donations - local churches, clubs, schools, businesses, citizens, and organizations
- Fundraising - Annual "Trivia Night"
- Thrivent for Lutherans - Thrivent Choice

Your tax deductible
contributions are welcomed
Mail to:

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Community Partner



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Mon., Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
or by appointment
Due to limited hours, please call ahead as
office may be closed



www.familiesfirstofmonroecounty.org

WHAT DOES FAMILIES FIRST DO?

Families First is a private, 501 (c) 3 non-profit charitable agency that serves Monroe County residents in need with resources, referrals and information. Our agency's purpose is simply to assist residents who are less fortunate, or in emergent situations, with confidential and free services as funding allows.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Families First is governed by a Board of Directors who live or work in Monroe County. The Directors provide a broad base of representation. They serve voluntarily, and impart diverse leadership skills based on years of knowledge regarding non-profit agency operations and business aspects.

Monroe Residents in Need

The 2012 US Census Reports that 15% of Monroe County residents are living in poverty.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Homelessness, is a state in which an individual or family lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence.
- Over 50% of the children in Monroe County school districts live in a household in which inadequate income makes them eligible for free or reduced breakfast and lunch while in school. For some children, these will be the only adequate meals of the day they will receive.
- It is legal for households to be evicted in the middle of winter, in sub-zero temperatures, for non-payment of rent. Whether children are in the house or not has no bearing on the process.
- Water and sewer services can also be disconnected at any time of the year, for non-payment of this utility fee.
- Monroe County has no shelter facility for homeless single persons or families.

Mission Statement

As an active member of the Monroe County community, Families First supports and assists residents through their financial and life challenges with respectful and empowering services.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- Budget/Money Management
- Eviction Prevention Assistance
- Emergency Utility Assistance
- Employment Support Services
- Children's Christmas Gift Program
- Information and Resource Referral
- Advocacy
- Tenant/Landlord Negotiation
- Case Management
- Housing Information
- Coordination of the Collection and Distribution of:
 - Diapers
 - Furniture
 - Blankets

*** Services Provided at no cost to those in need, as resources allow**

