



United Way of Knox County Women United Newsletter - July, 2017

**Current Women United  
Investments:**

Recovery Housing for  
Women and Children

Women in Recovery  
Breakfasts

Ruling Our eXperiences  
ROX  
(Empowerment program  
for girls 4th-12th grade)

Crunch Out Obesity  
(Nutrition and physical  
activity program for Knox  
County 4th graders)

**Become a  
Women United  
Member Today!**

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Investments](#)

**We've MOVED!**

**Our new location is just two blocks down at  
305 East High Street, same street, new location!  
Stop by the Open House and Ribbon Cutting on  
Friday, August 4 from 4 to 6 p.m.**



**WOMEN UNITED**

**First Annual  
Luncheon**



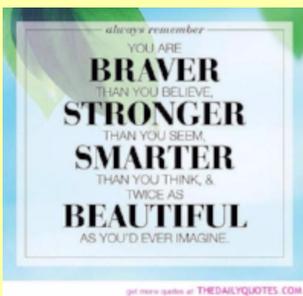
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**We have a sponsor!  
Big announcement  
coming in July!**



If you've not received your Women's United T-shirt, please contact us!  
We want every member to have



We are excited to invite you to the first annual **Women United Luncheon** to celebrate our accomplishments and to propose future projects.

**Thursday, August 10, 2017  
Noon, MVNU Campus  
800 Martinsburg Road  
Ariel Arena - Foster Hall**

*Kindly respond by August 1 to Dee at 740-397-5721 or [dee@uwayknox.org](mailto:dee@uwayknox.org)*

Join us as we convene our full membership to review the year and approve projects for 2017-18! If you know someone who would enjoy becoming Women United member, please invite them. Email Dee to reserve your seat by August 1.



Help students start the year ready to learn. . . . .

The State of Ohio did not renew school supply funding for this year and many Knox County families are in need of assistance purchasing school supplies. Can you help? Please bring 24 pack crayons, pencils, wide width paper, basic Crayola Classic markers, boxes of tissue, glue sticks, plastic supply boxes and scissors.

Thanks to Women United, 200 book bags were purchased and will be stuffed with school supplies after the Annual Meeting. We'll need help stuffing and making deliveries to the various Interchurch branches (Centerburg, Fredericktown, Danville, and Mount Vernon). Email Dee if you're available to help.



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*Let's Meet in the Garden Room on October 12, 2017, at 5:00-7:00 P.M.*

Come to The Alcove as we enjoy some fine wine and cheese fondue while working on a project!

One of the many projects

Women United is

embracing this year is preparing diaper bags to distribute to area partner agencies. A diaper bag is considered a luxury to many financially strapped mothers who struggle each month to make ends meet.

[Email Dee if you're able to join us!](#)



### Women United Breakfast

On Friday morning, May 19, Women United hosted Barb and Erica, ladies who are in recovery, from the Freedom Center, at The Alcove. Nineteen women were in attendance as Erica and Barb shared their stories of addiction and recovery. We'd love to see more Women United at future breakfasts. Dates will be announced on August 10.



United Way Executive Director Kelly Brenneman has announced that Karen Schoeder has accepted the position of Resource Development Coordinator, beginning on July 31, 2017. Karen is replacing Katie Peterson, who is moving out of state.

Previously, Karen was an educator for 24 years, teaching elementary school music, working as an adjunct professor teaching a variety of classes, and supervising student teachers. Karen loves the Knox County community and looks forward to working with individual and corporate donors, volunteers, members of Women United and United Way agencies. Karen lives in Apple Valley and is active in her church, New Life Church of the Nazarene. She enjoys singing, baking, cooking, reading, Paragraphs Bookstore, and the Mt Vernon Farmers Market.

"Although we'll miss Katie Peterson, we are so thrilled that Karen has chosen to join our United Way team. Karen is sincere, thoughtful and dedicated to Knox County. I know that our community will feel her passion as she begins her journey with United Way, said Brenneman."

## POWER OF THE PURSE SETS RECORD!





**220 ladies gathered at Gund Commons to "shake their maracas" to raise money for the projects of Women United. \$41,000 was raised that evening, making it the most successful Power of the Purse ever in Knox County! Thank you to all of the committee members, donors, waiters, sponsors and attendees who made this a memorable night for Women United. Mark your calendar for May 4, 2018!**