



# CHESTER

As we celebrate 90 years of service, Middlesex United Way continues to invest in what matters most for Chester and Middlesex County: Youth Opportunity, Financial Security, Healthy Communities, and Community Resiliency. In the 2025-2026 grant cycle, we provided nearly \$300,000 to local agencies driving impact in these areas.

Middlesex United Way is proud to support and partner with agencies that serve Chester and the surrounding communities including Gilead Community Services, Tri-Town Youth Services, Literacy Volunteers Valley Shore, and Kuhn Employment Services.



## WORKING HARD & STILL STRUGGLING

In Chester, 40% of households are ALICE – Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed. These families work hard but still struggle to afford basics like housing, food, and health care. Middlesex United Way is addressing these challenges through investments in our key impact areas and community partnerships. Scan the QR Code to learn more about ALICE in Connecticut.

*\*Data from 2025 CT ALICE Report*

## HELP IS JUST A CALL OR CLICK AWAY

In the past year, 112 Chester residents reached out to 2-1-1 for help. Nearly 44% of requests were for mental health and addiction support, while another 18% were for housing and shelter needs.

United Way's 2-1-1 is free, confidential, and available 24/7 – connecting Chester residents to the resources they need most.

*\*Data collected from August 2024 to August 2025*



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