

MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

VINESSA AND JESSE PEARSON

Easton, Pa.

Tocqueville
members
since 2024



“We aspire to affect positive change in our local community, and United Way’s emphasis on the welfare of women and children, educational advancement and addressing food insecurity resonates deeply with our family’s priorities.”

MICHAEL AND MICHELE PESSINA

Allentown, Pa.

Tocqueville
members
since 2010



“We started giving because it was easy and we knew our money stayed right here in the Lehigh Valley, supporting the community we love. Even now, it’s still the best way to give back and make a difference.”


MIKE AND MANDI TUSKES

Easton, Pa.

Tocqueville
members
since 2015



“We give to United Way because we believe in the impact they are making in our community. Through Tocqueville Society, we’re able to designate funds to our valued causes and participate in all the programs offered through United Way.”

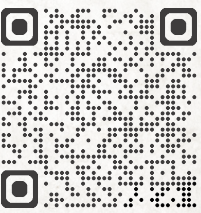


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UPCOMING EVENTS

We hope you'll mark your calendars and join us for these upcoming engagement opportunities.

For more information, contact Seema Shah at Seemas@unitedwayglv.org or 610-807-5706.



SCAN TO VIEW
UNITED WAY
PHOTO GALLERIES

Thursday, September 18, 2025
United Way Day of Caring

Thursday, September 25, 2025
Tocqueville Society Celebration
Hosted by Mike and Diane Molewski

Saturday, November 8, 2025
Tocqueville Society
Family Volunteer Day



United Way Worldwide CEO Angela Williams with
United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley President and CEO Marci Lesko



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Leading the Way



UNITED WAY WORLDWIDE CEO VISITS THE LEHIGH VALLEY TO SHARE A BOLD VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Your United Way had the honor of welcoming Angela F. Williams, United Way Worldwide President and Chief Executive Officer and a USA Today 2025 Woman of the Year, for a meaningful day of connection, conversation and inspiration.

During her visit, Angela met with donors, volunteers, business leaders and staff to share a powerful message:

“United Way was made for this moment.”

In a time of rapid change, Angela’s call to action was clear: lean in, remain agile and keep building strong local communities. “It’s what happens in local communities that brings United Way to life,” she shared. “Every time we show up, it’s for such a time as this.”

Her visit included a visionary breakfast hosted by Laurie Hackett and Air Products and a leadership luncheon with the Lehigh Valley Partnership and David Shaffer, United Way Worldwide Board Member. In each space, she outlined the strategic direction guiding United Way’s work globally—from scaling impact and driving sustainable revenue to preparing for the future and developing the next generation of leadership.

Angela praised United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley as one of the highest performing organizations in a global network of approximately 1,000 local United Ways. She recognized our organization’s consistent growth and deep partnerships, calling its recent investment of \$26 million, support of over 150 partners and service to more than 200,000 people a model for the rest of the network.

Her leadership is grounded in service and driven by action. “The most effective United Ways set the table for community voices to lead and unite communities around shared goals and meaningful progress.”

Angela’s visit made it clear: United Way’s global vision is bold, focused on driving sustainable revenue and delivering results at scale. Her time in the Greater Lehigh Valley underscored that the future of United Way isn’t just imagined, it is already taking shape through strong leadership, generous partnerships and a shared commitment to community.

“You are showing what’s possible.”

— Angela Williams
CEO, United Way Worldwide



FROM YOUR TOCQUEVILLE SOCIETY CHAIR

Dear Tocqueville Society Members,

I’m excited to kick off my first year as Chair of the Tocqueville Cabinet and to build on the incredible momentum we’ve created together. I find being part of this group incredibly rewarding and I look forward to all we’ll accomplish in the year ahead.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to Mark and Colleen Gilbert for their outstanding leadership over the past two years. Thanks to their dedication, and your unwavering support, we’ve achieved remarkable milestones: a total of 400 Tocqueville households with over \$20 million contributed this past year alone.

Yet, there’s still important work ahead. In a time of rapid change and growing needs, your leadership and generosity are more vital than ever. Together, we have a powerful opportunity to bring hope, stability, and lasting impact to our community.

Thank you for all that you do – I look forward to working alongside each of you this year!

Adam McMahon
Tocqueville Society Chair

PHILANTHROPY TEAM UPDATES



Samantha Anglestein joined us in October as a Philanthropy Officer. A Lehigh Valley native, she brings strong community ties and valuable experience from her career at Muhlenberg College.



Jennie Elam will join us in August as our newest Philanthropy Officer. Originally from the East Coast, she’s returning home after working in development at the University of Montana.

We’d like to highlight the generous contributions of **Ted Nouryan**, who was inadvertently omitted from our most recent Philanthropy Report.