



**UNITED WAY**  
Lower Eastern Shore

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Student United Way gives passionate student leaders the opportunity to improve lives and help strengthen communities, focusing on education, financial stability and health programs and initiatives in our community.

SUW allows college students to build friendships and relationships in the local community through fundraising events, volunteerism, advocacy and leadership.



**EMERGING LEADERS**

The mission of the Emerging Leaders of the Lower Eastern Shore is to promote and encourage the spirit of philanthropy and volunteerism among young professionals in Wicomico, Worcester, Somerset and Dorchester Counties. Our efforts are focused on Lower Eastern Shore's children and youth.

Through professional development, educational opportunities, volunteerism and networking events, this Emerging Leaders group has the end goal to change the odds for families and our community.



Join this dynamic group of women to make a difference through volunteer projects that help local youth and families. Network and empower each other to leverage passions, ideas, expertise, and resources to transform local lives.

Engage & learn about local programs through Community & Conversations.



**GET CONNECTED  
VOLUNTEER CENTER**

Connecting You with Opportunities in Dorchester,  
Somerset, Wicomico & Worcester Counties  
[ShoreGetConnected.org](http://ShoreGetConnected.org)



Create & grow your network by volunteering with one of our committees, programs or at a special event. For additional opportunities with 200+ local nonprofit partners visit:  
**[www.ShoreGetConnected.org](http://www.ShoreGetConnected.org)**

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## UWLES DIRECT PROGRAMS



UWLES partners with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library™ to provide any young child birth-five in Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico & Worcester Counties the opportunity to receive a free book each month by mail to their home.

Through our SmartStart collaboration, over 3,000 newborns have been enrolled and received their first book before leaving TidalHealth! To date, we have delivered nearly 544,000 books to over 19,000 children on the Lower Shore. Scan or visit <https://www.uwles.org/ImaginationLibrary>.



United For ALICE is a driver of innovation, research, and action to improve life across the country for ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) and for all. Through the development of the ALICE data trends, a comprehensive, unbiased picture of financial hardship has emerged.

Harnessing this data and research on the mismatch between low-paying jobs and the cost of survival, ALICE empowers anyone to convene, advocate, and collaborate on solutions that promote financial stability at local, state, and national levels. UWLES partners in this effort with other MD United Ways and United for ALICE nationally. Scan the QR code or visit <https://www.uwles.org/ALICE> to learn more.



UWLES partners with SingleCare to improve the health and well-being of neighbors by making prescription medication more affordable for individuals with high prescription costs. The SingleCare Prescription Savings card, accepted at more than 60,000 pharmacies nationwide, covers all FDA approved prescription medications. Free to all consumers, both insured and uninsured, the card can provide an average savings of 42%, and also includes pet medications.

Consumers can download a card from <https://www.uwles.org/SingleCare> and create a free account. Or, reach out to UWLES directly for a card. When you download the SingleCare app, you can price check costs, find instant savings and get health tips. Last year, local Lower Eastern Shore neighbors saved around \$99,000.



Learn | Connect | Care

Wellness Made Easy is a health literacy curriculum raising awareness and addressing barriers to achieving good health. The program also makes additional health literacy materials available through partnerships with public libraries, nonprofit partners, and healthcare providers. Information is currently available in English, Haitian Creole and coming soon, Spanish.

Visit <https://www.uwles.org/wellness-made-easy> to learn more.



Supporting our partner agencies throughout the year is a priority. Each year, UWLES offers numerous professional development opportunities for agency partners, including an annual Nonprofit Summit in collaboration with Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore and the Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE) at Salisbury University. Collaborators and expert speakers provide guidance on themes such as best practices, volunteer engagement, board recruitment and development, diversity, fundraising and effective outcome tracking. Our next Nonprofit Summit is expected to be late April 2026. For information on any of these direct programs, contact **Martin Hutchison**, [martin@uwles.org](mailto:martin@uwles.org).