

health care

Physical and behavioral health care programs help people become or remain able to fully engage in their careers, families, and lives.

Supporting our neighbors' health care needs and helping them gain greater financial stability means they can achieve better health, miss less work and school, and won't need emergency services as often. It also means improved workplace productivity, less health care spending, and better health for our entire community.

In 2023-2024, the 211 Texas/United Way HELPLINE connected:



20,262

people with medical care



9,794

people with mental health care



people with substance use support

the need:

Over one million Greater Houston residents under age 65 don't have health insurance

Texas has the highest number and rate of uninsured children in the U.S.

In our four-county service area, there is an average of one mental health provider for every 1,777 residents

your impact:

With your support last year, we provided health care support for nearly 200,970 of our neighbors

80% of people in United Way funded programs improved their behavioral health well-being

When our neighbors cannot afford or access quality health care, they often forgo, delay, or skip critical preventative care or mental health/substance use treatment and end up in the emergency room for nonemergency care.

This results in employees missing work or going to work sick. It reduces workplace productivity and increases health disparities in our community.

With your help, United Way supports our neighbors with primary health care, specialty care services, like dental care and occupational therapy, as well as individual and family counseling and substance use recovery.

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