



OneCommunity

GENERAL QUESTIONS

WHAT IS ONE COMMUNITY?

One Community is Via Christi Foundation's associate giving program. It offers all associates a way to give back to the community in which they live and work.

WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN THIS TIME TO ASK FOR PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT FROM ASSOCIATES?

Every year Via Christi Foundation hosts the One Community Campaign. We do this on an annual basis, so we are coming to associates only one time throughout the year to ask them to consider making a pledge or gift.

I ALREADY GIVE SO MUCH OF MY TIME TO ASCENSION VIA CHRISTI. WHY SHOULD I GIVE BACK FINANCIALLY?

While the sacrifices you make for Ascension Via Christi are immeasurable, making a voluntary philanthropic contribution is another way to support Ascension Via Christi's mission and invest in its future. Additionally, areas supported such as patient assistance and associate assistance are mostly funded from your generous contributions to the campaign.

I GIVE TO OTHER NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. WHY SHOULD I ALSO SUPPORT ASCENSION VIA CHRISTI?

Each year, more than 2,000 associates support the One Community Campaign. Your willingness to join them makes a powerful statement to your colleagues and to our benefactors. Ascension Via Christi, Via Christi Foundation and United Way of the Plains are not-for-profit organizations.

All gifts are tax-deductible.

CAN I DESIGNATE MY GIFT?

The One Community Campaign supports many services and programs at United Way of the Plains and Ascension Via Christi, such as: Area of Greatest Need, the Associate Assistance Fund, Patient Assistance Fund, Children's Miracle Network, International Family Medicine Fellowship program, Medical Mission at Home, and Forensic Nursing. If you would like to designate your gift to one of these specific areas or a few other areas that may need support, you may go online and give a one-time gift or set up monthly gifts via your credit card at ascension.org/OneCommunity. If you give through payroll deduct, your gift will be distributed among all the programs by the One Community committee. Via Christi Foundation donations do not go toward administrative costs and 100% are used for programs, patients, and associates.

IS PARTICIPATION IN ONE COMMUNITY REQUIRED?

While we hope all associates will be motivated to make gifts, your participation is voluntary.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE ONE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATE GIVING PROGRAM AND THE UNITED WAY CAMPAIGNS?

The One Community Campaign is a combined campaign with Via Christi Foundation and United Way of the Plains. Associates can decide to give their gift to Via Christi Foundation, United Way of the Plains, or split their gift between the two. Associates are given the opportunity to invest in Ascension Via Christi's mission by enrolling in payroll deduction, making a one-time gift, or giving online.

WHAT IF I CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE NOW?

The One Community is voluntary, and you are welcome to make gifts now or at a future date.

WILL MY SMALL GIFT MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Gifts of all sizes are needed and make a difference.

What can your donations do?

\$5 per pay period or \$130 one-time gift	Provides bus tickets for 74 patients who are without transportation to medical appointments or to return home after a hospital visit, or Provides budget counseling for two people to get out of debt and stay out of debt.	
\$10 per pay period or \$260 one-time gift	Restores electricity for a fellow associate who has suffered a financial setback, or Provides two boxes of food for individuals and families.	
\$20 per pay period or \$520 one-time gift	Helps pay for medical documents needed for a physician in one of the most underserved areas of the world, or Provides 75 nutritious hot meals delivered to a homebound senior.	
\$40 per pay period or \$1,040 one-time gift	Enables a child to be fitted and receive a hearing aid device, or Provides eight nights of emergency shelter for women and children escaping domestic violence.	
\$80 per pay period or \$2,080 one-time gift	Funds roughly 15 uninsured patients to receive durable medical equipment so that they can be released from the hospital, or Provides 41 middle school students with safe, supervised after-school activities.	

WHO ARE THE ONE COMMUNITY AMBASSADORS?

Each department or unit selected a One Community Ambassador. This volunteer who will share the campaign message with their department, pass out pledge forms, and celebrate associate giving successes. Find out who your One Community Ambassador is by asking your leader or by contacting Via Christi Foundation at foundation@viachristi.org

CAN I INCLUDE ASCENSION VIA CHRISTI IN MY LONG-TERM ESTATE OR FINANCIAL PLANS?

Via Christi Foundation welcomes gifts through your long-term estate or financial plans. For instance, you may wish to include Via Christi Foundation as a partial beneficiary of your life insurance or retirement fund account. For more information about this, please contact David Alexander at david.alexander1@ascension.org or 316-239-3527.

WAYS TO GIVE

PAYROLL DEDUCTION

All Ascension Via Christi, Ascension Living/Village, Ascension Technologies, MedXcel, HR, Finance, TheResourceGroup associates can give via payroll deduct. You can print out a pledge form or fill out the online pledge form: ascension.org/OneCommunity

HOW DO I GIVE IF I AM NOT EMPLOYED BY ASCENSION?

Volunteers or Ascension Business Partners (Touchpoint, R1, Sound Physicians, etc) can give online by using a credit card at ascension.org/OneCommunity (one-time or monthly deductions are available) or via check.

CREDIT CARD

To make a one-time or monthly, automatic donation by credit card, please visit ascension.org/OneCommunity. If you have questions, you can call 316-239-3520.

CHECK

Whether you are directing your gift to United Way of the Plains, Via Christi Foundation or both, your check will need to be payable to 'Via Christi Foundation' to count towards One Community and sent to Via Christi Foundation, 3600 E. Harry St, Wichita, KS 67218.