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Dear XXXXX,

Women United mobilizes the power of women to improve childhood literacy in Rhode Island. We fund proven programs, volunteer in classrooms and libraries, and advocate for important literacy issues.

Last year, we expanded to 155 members and invested in several programs, including Young Minds in Motion, our signature volunteer initiative that engages youth in STEM activities. In addition, since 2012, Women United members have gifted more than $4.7 million to the RI community through United Way. We’re growing — but we can’t continue to lead the charge and inspire change without you.

Thanks to donors like you, **1,058 Rhode Island youth** gained access to an enriching, experiential summer learning program last year — youth like Anthony:

Since summer began, 9-year-old Anthony had said very little to the other children, and even less to the staff. This was a problem since the program, which focused on social-emotional learning, required students to work together to complete their service learning project.

One day, Anthony saw a homeless man sitting across the street. He asked Emma, a staff member, if he could help him. Recognizing the teachable moment, Emma helped Anthony and two other students place granola bars, juice boxes, and sandwiches into three bags. After crossing the street, each child handed their bag to the man, who smiled and thanked them.

As they walked back to join the group, Anthony told Emma how good it felt to help people, and the others nodded in agreement. Emma smiled; it was clear the children understood the importance of service and Anthony’s social-emotional growth had inspired them to make a difference.

With your help, we can reach even more youth and programs this year. Please consider making a gift to United Way of Rhode Island and Women United, because change only happens when we work together.

Sincerely,

Name

Title