SIGNATURE EVENTS

- TAX-A-THON (Shelby County)
  January 26, 2019
- TAX-A-THON (Clayden & Denison Counties)
  February 2, 2019
- COMMUNITY IMPACT TOWN HALL
  March 6, 2019
- NIGHT TO UNITE: 95TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY
  April 5, 2019
- DAY OF ACTION: NEW [ALMOST] CENTURY OF SERVICE
  May 22, 2019
- BEST OF THE BEST AWARDS
  June 18, 2019
- LIVE UNITED NITE OUT @ THE LEVITT SHELL
  July 21, 2019
- DAYS OF CARING 2019
  September 5-7, 2019
- TRUNK OR TREAT ON TILLMAN STREET
  October 26, 2019
- FEAST OF DREAMS
  November 5, 2019
- LIGHT THE NIGHT 2019
  December 5, 2019

VOLUNTEER UNITED EVENTS

- MLK DAYS OF SERVICE
  January 18-21, 2019
- FREE TAX PREP SITES OPEN - VOLUNTEERS WELCOME
  January 21, 2019
- READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY & DR. SEUSS’ BIRTHDAY
  March 1, 2019
- NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK
  April 7-13, 2019
- STUFF THE BUS SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE
  July 1-21, 2019
- EXPOSURE
  Fall 2019
- TRUNK OR TREAT CANDY DRIVE
  October 1-18, 2019
- NATIONAL MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY
  October 30, 2019
- INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER DAY
  December 5, 2019

United Way of the Mid-South harnesses the collective power of people, and our engagement events put this idea into action. JOIN US!
**2019 SIGNATURE AND VOLUNTEER EVENTS**

**APRIL**
- **APRIL 5, 2019**
  - **BAND TO UNITE 100th Anniversary Party**
    - Night to celebrate the 100th anniversary of United Way of the Mid-South. Attendees will enjoy local food and drinks and enjoy the high way to one-of-a-kind tunes. The entire community is invited to join us in our fight against poverty and celebrate 105 years of creating lasting impact in our community.

- **APRIL 7-13, 2019**
  - **National Volunteer Week**
    - Celebrate the opportunity to serve this community by signing up for volunteer needs.

**MAY**
- **MAY 12-22, 2019**
  - **DAY OF ACTION: New (Almost) Century of Service**
    - Day of Action mirrors the work that United Way of the Mid-South does throughout the year empowering people to take action to change the things that matter most — issues like poverty. Join Mid-South volunteers by helping residents and nonprofits during the City of Memphis' Bicentennial Celebration.

**JUNE**
- **JUNE 7-16, 2019**
  - **Best of the West Awards**
    - The “Best of the West” Awards is a celebration of our workplace campaigns and all of our wonderful corporate, agency and community volunteer guests. Walk the blue carpet, dine on delectables and unite for a reception-only event to honor and recognize the people and businesses who tirelessly invested and volunteered in DUSC community.

**JULY**
- **JULY 1-31, 2019**
  - **Stuff the Bus School Supply Drive**
    - Collected supplies to ensure academic success for area students.

- **JULY 21, 2019**
  - **One Huddle Out-Out - Leashless Lift**
    - The DUS United Out-Out is a family-friendly event of appreciation where United Way of the Mid-South celebrates the outstanding achievements and commitment to our community by corporate and community partners.

**AUGUST**
- **AUGUST 2019**
  - **Exposure in partnership with New Memphis (ongoing)**
    - In honor of 901 Day and celebration of all things Memphis, join us for Exposure. This is an opportunity to get involved and give back. Meet 100 local nonprofits, organizations and businesses, and parade in the fun with musical performances, yoga localities, and sip to fuel the fun.

**SEPTEMBER**
- **SEPTEMBER 7-7, 2019**
  - **BAND TO UNITE**
    - Days of Care is our community-largest volunteer-driven service opportunity. With approximately 1,700 volunteers and growing, Volunteer with local nonprofits during one of the most impactful projects of this community.

**OCTOBER**
- **OCTOBER 1-15, 2019**
  - **Trash or Treat Candy Caper**
    - Donate bags of candy to supply sweet treats for the annual “Trash or Treat” on Thanksgiving Falls Festival.

- **OCTOBER 26, 2019**
  - **Innovate United Volunteer Day**
    - Take a moment to make a difference in someone’s life. A celebration of neighbors helping neighbors.

**NOVEMBER**
- **NOVEMBER 5-9, 2019**
  - **Feast of Giving**
    - Feast of Dreams is a social innovation dinner party where an exchange of perspectives, ideas, and imagination is shared between people who normally wouldn’t meet. Attendees are given the freedom to start imagining what the future could look like and the collaboration that will eventually make change happen. Through these connections, new initiatives emerge that help bridge individuals from poverty to prosperity.

**DECEMBER**
- **DECEMBER 2, 2019**
  - **International Volunteer Day**
    - Celebrate the joy of service with people all over the world.

**SCHOOL EVENTS**
- **Signature Events**
  - **Volunteer Events**

**BLUE TOTE BAG INITIATIVE**
United Way of the Mid-South offers a wide variety of high-energy, high-impact volunteer events, designed to be both engaging and inspire. Sometimes you just can’t get there, but believe us, we’re doing the same way... We have the answer! Join us in helping build the capacity of our local nonprofit and assist those in need through our Blue Tote Bag Initiative.

Contact us at volunteer@unmidsouth.org to get your bag(s) TODAY!

**FOOD/PANTRY DRIVES**
- **Items needed**
  - Nonperishable Foods: canned beans, peanut butter, oatmeal, canned juice (canned vegetables, soup, canned tuna or chicken, nuts, shelf-stable milk, whole grain rice and pasta, cereal, dough or pancake mix, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, chicken stock, beet and vegetable broth, canned fruits, pudding etc., Household Supplies: paper products, zip lock, dish, bowl, cooking utensils, kitchen utensils, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, etc.

**UNITED WAY AGENCIES that can use these items**
- Memphis Jewish Home, Meridian, Tipton County and Fayette County Commission on Aging

**HYGIENE KITS**
- **Items needed**
  - Hand soap, shampoo, soap, washcloths, small make up bag, toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, deodorant, lip balm, sunscreen, hygiene products, paper towels, soap, Cotton balls, q-tips, nail clippers, plastic stuffers, children’s book, crayons, coloring books.

**UNITED WAY AGENCIES that can use these items**
- Mid-South Food Bank (banking Bags & Girls Clubs, Girls Inc and others)

**WEEKEND BACKPACK MEALS**
- **Items needed**
  - Backpacks, canned proteins (dona), chicken, peanut butter, graham crackers, juice boxes, apples, canned beans, whole grain rice and pasta, cereal, oatmeal, packaged fruit in waterbase

**UNITED WAY AGENCIES that can use these items**
- Mid-South Food Bank (banking Bags & Girls Clubs, Girls Inc and others)

**BASICS FOR BABIES**
- **Items needed**
  - New mother books, diapers, wipes, baby oil, burping cloth, bibs, thermometer, hand sanitizer, etc.

**UNITED WAY AGENCIES that can use these items**
- Memphis Jewish Home and Family Services, Harwood Center Inc, Hop House, Porter-Leath

**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**
- **Items needed**
  - Children’s books, flashcards, puzzle, board games, educational toys, letter magnets, soft stuffed animals, backpacks, arts & crafts kits, dry erase boards and markers, construction paper, crayons and coloring books

**UNITED WAY AGENCIES that can use these items**
- Porter-Leath, Knowledge Quest, Lebonanum Early Intervention and Development, Hope House

**DISASTER RELIEF**
- **Items needed**
  - Diapers, Wipes, lip balm, combs/brushes, shampoo/ conditioner, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, first aid items, lotion, razor, sanitizers, reusable water bottle, soap, shampoo, towels, socks, face/ hand towels, underwear, washcloths, towels, blankets

**UNITED WAY AGENCIES that can use these items**
- American Red Cross, Fayette County, and National Resource Council