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**COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS** 

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Community Impact Team volunteers receive training on evaluating proposals

### **Community Impact Teams Form**

Twenty citizen volunteers responded to a call from United Way to assist in the process of evaluating grant applications. Each year, United Way invites non-profit organizations to submit program proposals to fund community-based programs in the areas of Health and Safety, Education, and Income Stability.

The volunteers form Community Impact Teams that review the grant applications and accompanying documents, such as financial statements, and make site visits to each of the programs. They rank the programs according to merit and cost effectiveness and make recommendations to the United Way Board of Directors, which makes the final determination about fund distributions. Second Vice President of the Board, Brandon Scott, led the volunteer training session on February 7th, the first step in the grant review process.

### **Important Dates**

# Wednesday, February 15:

"The Heart Beat" features Imagination Library, 8:00 a.m. KUHSradio.org or 97.9 FM

#### Wednesday, February 15:

United Way of the Ouachitas Centennial Anniversary program presentation at National Park Rotary Club, Arlington Hotel, 12:00 noon

#### Thursday, February 16:

Dr. Eunice V. Akoto presents a seminar on Board
Development, 11;30 - 1:00
p.m. \$12 registration at
Take Out and Training

#### Thursday, February 16:

Southwest Area Partnership on Homelessness at United Way 2:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday, February 21:

Hot Springs Village Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet at Coronado Center, 5:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, February 22:

"The Heart Beat" features Levi Hospital Health Education, KUHSradio.org or 97.9 FM



## "Jazzieville" to compete in United Way of the Ouachitas Presents 2017 "We've Got Talent"

United Way of the Ouachitas presents its 4th Annual "We've Got Talent" variety show on Friday, March 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jessieville Performing Arts Center. Doors open at 6:30. <u>Tickets</u> are \$10 for adults and students are free. Winners of area high school talents shows will compete for \$3000 in scholarship funds.

Jazzieville, pictured above, is a small group of 9 auditioned singers selected from the Jessieville High School Concert Choir. Their repertoire consists of a cappella vocal jazz, pop, and show tunes. This is a newly formed group at Jessieville in which the members collaborate and create their own vocal arrangements to existing songs.

Wednesday, February 22: United Way of the Ouachitas sponsors Chamber "Partner Up Lunch" at Good Samaritan, Hot Springs Village, 12:00 noon

Thursday, February 23: Women's Chamber of Commerce "Business Risk Barometer Breakfast" at Embassy Suites, 7:30 a.m.

Friday, March 31: United Way of the Ouachitas presents the 4th Annual "We've Got Talent" contest, 7:00 p.m. at Jessieville Performing Arts Center



Hot Springs Middle School EAST students partner with United Way to work on tiny house design to increase affordable housing options.



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