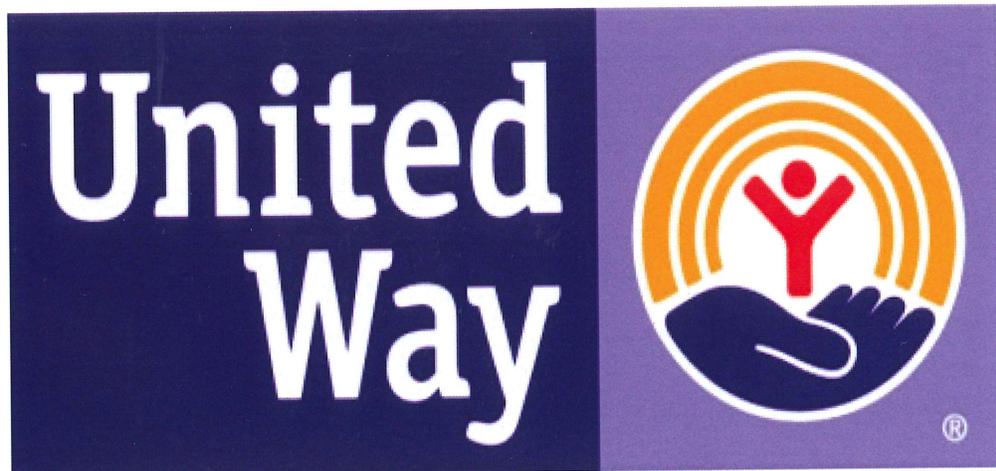


WE'VE MOVED! To better serve Brookings County, Brookings Area United Way has moved to a new location.



Brookings Area United Way

New location:

619 5th Avenue, Suite 4
Brookings SD 57006

Same Mailing address:

PO Box 750
Brookings SD 57006

Congratulations!

You have been selected to win a Brookings Area United Way prize!

Please select your prize below.

____ T-shirt (Size S, M, L, XL, XXL)

____ Water bottle



Please confirm your winning and find a time to come in to pick up your prize! 605-692-4979 or uw@brookingsunitedway.org



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Brookings, SD 57006
(605) 692-4979

As a supporter of the Brookings Area United Way, we want to keep everyone up to date on how the dollars donated in our community are being used. Enclosed is the Community Impact Kit #2. About every 6 weeks you will receive a community impact kit that will highlight information about the United Way and/or our funded partners. Some information will come in the mail and all of it will come electronically.

This kit includes both electronic and paper resources:

* **Electronic:** Keep an eye out for the email that will arrive around May 5th! It will include an online newsletter that you can forward to those in your business or put the link in your internal communications – you can also print a few copies for the break room or bulletin board. It will also include print ready FB and Twitter posts that highlight information from the poster and your support for the United Way

* **Print:** Poster to hang (let us know if you need more!). We've also included a certificate for a United Way water bottle or t-shirt. Use this as a prize for a United Way trivia quiz or conduct a drawing as a celebration for the company's contributions to United Way.

Please let us know if you want this information to go to someone else in the organization and if you need more posters or materials. Call us at 692-4979 or email us at uw@brookingsunitedway.org.

Thank you!



United Way cares about YOUR health

Brookings offers a variety of transportation options. Medical visits are important. Getting there shouldn't be a concern.

BATA provides transportation for all trip types from recreational to employment trips and medical appointments. A unique aspect of BATA is that they are a Medicaid provider. This means that most Medicaid recipients are able to receive medical transportation at no cost to them.

Volunteers of America (VOA): Volunteers of America, Dakotas is a non-profit spiritually based organization that reaches out to empower people of all ages to become healthier, self-sufficient, productive members of their communities. VOA work with residents that are over the age of 55.

Volunteer Service Bank (VSB): The VSB is an organization that connects volunteers with those in need of volunteer help. Their main focus is the escort and transport program, which provides rides to in-town and out-of-town medical appointments.

Medical Transportation

Fun Facts

- Brookings Special Olympics offers a Young Athletes program for children ages 2 to 6.
- Brookings Activity Center hosts dances every Monday night from 7pm– 10:30pm
- BATA traveled almost 500,000 miles in 2015.

Brookings Activity Center

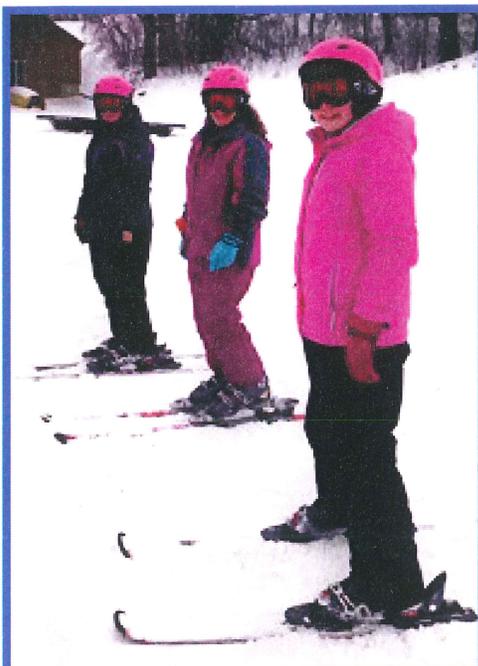
“The Brookings Activity Center is a place for seniors to come together, socialize, and meet people of common interests,” said Activity Center Specialist, Traci Saugstad. One of the goals of the Brookings Activity Center is to keep their members active. One of the ways this happens is through the introduction of a Tai Chi class.

Tai Chi offers many health benefits for all age groups. The Activity Center wanted to introduce a course designed specifically for seniors. The purpose of introducing this type of healthy lifestyle course was to provide a new opportunity for seniors to develop not only on physical health, but benefit for the social, mental, emotional, and spiritual health as well. Tai Chi was chosen because it can benefit seniors that have a wide variety of physical abilities.

Tai Chi with its series of poses comprising of slow movements to improve balance and flexibility. Joints that move more smoothly improve function in a variety of activities of daily living like picking up items off of the floor, cooking a meal or dressing and bathing.

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The heart and mission of the Brookings Special Olympics is to improve the athlete's social, physical, and mental wellbeing.

In 1968 the 125 athletes participated in the First Annual Special Olympics South Dakota Summer Games. Since then the number of athletes, number of activities, and number of volunteers has increased substantially.

Although competitors must be at least eight to compete, athletes can start training as early as age two in their Young Athletes program which includes ages two to six. Young Athletes is a program that that anyone can be a part of. It takes place afterschool twice a week and is offered at no cost to the individual.

Brookings Special Olympics is just one of the 40 organizations that receive United Way funds each year.

Special Olympics