Dear Friends:

This past winter, because of your contribution to United Way’s Project Warmth Emergency Fuel Fund, 1,108 households on Long Island did not have to make the heartbreaking choice between food, medication, or utilities. It was not an easy year for these households. Inflation hit them hard, but your contribution helped make Long Island warm, healthy, and safe.

Families that Project Warmth served this past winter.

- 81% required emergency assistance because of a medical emergency, illness or disability.
- 19% needed help because of a loss of job or loss of a loved one.
- 92% of recipient households had at least one vulnerable person. Elders, young children, and the disabled are most susceptible to extreme temperatures and thus are prioritized by Project Warmth.

Since its inception, Project Warmth has helped to fill the need for emergency heating assistance on Long Island, raising more than $11 million to help more than 30,000 families. We are one of the country’s oldest non-government fuel funds, serving as a model across the United States. We are the primary source of emergency assistance (oil, gas, fuel related electric) for households who are struggling financially and have exhausted other options.

We thank you for helping your neighbors this past winter.

Sincerely,

Theresa A. Regnante,
President & CEO

If you or someone you know needs emergency heating assistance, call 2-1-1 (or 1-888-774-7633).
The Project Warmth Call Center is open Monday-Friday 9-5.
This season Project Warmth helped 1,108 families

including: 830 children, 706 seniors and 1,433 adults
Granting $567,463 in emergency assistance
The average grant was $512.15 per family

A big thank you to United Way’s Project Warmth Committee and all of our donors for your collective support in helping over 3,200 children and adults, including seniors and veterans, who were facing financial insecurities relating to their heating bills. While Project Warmth is winding down, thousands of other resources are available throughout the year by contacting United Way’s 211 helplines by dialing 2-1-1 or outside of Nassau and Suffolk counties at 1-888-774-7633, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, or visit www.211longisland.org.

Project Warmth Committee Members: (far right) Craig Fligstein of United Way of Long Island with Project Warmth Fuel Fund Committee members (left to right) Richard Blake of GEICO, Ed Gomez of Petro Home Services, Dennis Galvam of Eversource, Erin Mullen of PSEG Long Island, Brian Tymann of Ørsted, Cliff Hochhauser of Carbo Industries, Gary Zanazzi of Swezy Fuel and Fligstein. (Project Warmth Committee members not seen) Gene Bernstein of Northville Industries and Rocco Lacertosa of NYS Energy Coalition.

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Catholic Charities Parish Outreach Offices
Choice for All
Colonial Youth and Family Services
Community Action of Southold Town (CAST)
Community Chest South Shore
Community Counseling Too Outreach
Dept. of Human Services Resource Center (Amityville)

EAC Network
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Long Island Council of Churches
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