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## **Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. – A Helping Hand to United Way**

**January 25, 2024-** Every year United Way comes to Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. (WREC) district offices with a presentation of how we can come together and contribute to make a meaningful change in our communities. It is with great pride we announce our total contribution of over \$106,000 generously made this year by employees, matched by WREC to support the impactful work of United Way.

Our employees have once again demonstrated their commitment to making a positive difference in the communities we serve. Through their compassionate spirit and dedication to giving back, we were able to contribute to the United Way's mission of addressing critical community needs and creating lasting change.

United Way has a long-standing history of working tirelessly to improve lives and build stronger communities. By harnessing the collective power of partnerships in the community, they focus on education, financial stability, and health—the building blocks of a thriving community. All United Way proceeds stay in the communities of those regions donated to.

“At WREC, we believe in the power of community and the positive change that can occur when we come together. Our employees embody this belief, and their kindness exemplifies our Cooperative principles that guide us,” said David B. Lambert, Executive Vice President and General Manager at WREC. David expresses his sincere gratitude to every employee who participated in this initiative and their commitment to making a difference in the lives of others.

### **About United Way**

United Way brings people together to build strong, equitable communities where everyone can thrive. As one of the world's largest privately funded charities, they serve 95% of U.S. communities and 37 countries and territories -- making life better for 48 million people every year. Through United Way, communities tackle tough challenges and work with private, public, and nonprofit partners to boost education, economic mobility, and health resources. United Way connects partners, donors, volunteers, and community leaders to tackle the root causes of the world's most complex challenges while making a positive impact in the lives of millions of people.

United Way works with 15 million volunteers, 6.8 million donors and 45 thousand corporate partners to build stronger, more resilient, and more equitable communities where everyone can thrive. They make life better for 48 million people a year.

**About Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. (WREC):**

Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a not-for-profit electric cooperative serving over 255,000 homes and businesses in Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Polk, and Sumter counties since 1947. WREC is dedicated to providing safe and resilient energy and services at the best possible value to its members while actively contributing to the communities it serves.

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## **UNITED WAY OF PASCO COUNTY**

Executive Vice-President and General Manager, David B. Lambert, Manager of Member Relations, Gary Steele, District Manager Joe Marina, and District Manager Ricky Gude presented a check for \$67,094.



# UNITED WAY OF HERNANDO COUNTY

Executive Vice-President and General Manager, David B. Lambert, Manager of Member Relations, Gary Steele, and District Manager David Gonzalez presented a check for \$24,760 to United Way of Hernando County.





# UNITED WAY OF CITRUS COUNTY

Executive Vice-President and General Manager, David B. Lambert, Manager of Member Relations, Gary Steele, District Manager Jamen Monbarren and employees presented a check for \$14,978 to United Way of Citrus County.

