# United Way of Central Minnesota



# Strategies to Increase Giving and Participation

## **Must-Do Strategies**

- Obtain CEO and top management support and endorsement.
- Communicate increasing community need to the donor.
- Connect the donor's personal well being with helping people in need.
- · Ask all employees to contribute. Make sure everyone has the opportunity to give.
- Set internal goals based on potential.
- · Meet with your United Way staff.

#### **Should-Do Strategies**

- Recognize the contributor's previous support.
- Utilize company time for Campaign Advocate and committee trainings/planning.
- Utilize tours, speakers, testimonials and per community statistics. Your United Way staff can schedule these for you and offer ideas.
- Hold employee meetings to present reasons for increased contributions. Show a United Way video and invite an agency speaker. Your United Way staff can schedule these for you and offer ideas.
- Show immediate appreciation to donors and potential donors.
- Plan use of campaign materials and activities.

### **Could-Do Strategies**

- Use incentives (drawing, etc.) for employees that increase gifts.
- Send out endorsement letters setting company goals.
- Meet with past Campaign Advocate for additional ideas and strategies.
- Appoint co-chairs of the campaign.