

UNITED WAY WOMEN WHO ROCK FACT SHEET

United Way Women Who Rock is an annual event that funds United Way of Greater Houston's Women Who Rock Child Care Scholarship. The United Way Women Who Rock Scholarship pays child care costs for young parents who are committed to continuing their education beyond high school. Recipients of this scholarship are provided financial and employment coaching through a partnership with United Way THRIVE and The Women's Resource.

The United Way Women Who Rock Child Care Scholarship has supported more than 100 young parents as they have pursued post-secondary education, and has celebrated 22 (and counting!) graduates.

About the Scholarship

The Scholarship covers child care costs for young parents pursuing post-secondary education. This includes bachelor's degrees, associate degrees, and professional certifications.

Scholarship recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Be between the ages of 16 and 25
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Have attained a high school diploma or equivalent
- Participate in an interview process with the Women Who Rock Scholarship Committee
- Provide proof of completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA)
- Applications will be accepted through the start of the Spring 2022 semester.
- Parents who are awarded scholarships commit to:
 - Partnering with United Way to select their child care program
 - Keeping their United Way liaison updated on their progress
 - Participating in United Way THRIVE



United Way Women Who Rock Child Care Scholarship At-a-Glance

2009: United Way began offering a child care scholarship in Montgomery County. The program was led by the Women's Leadership Council

2013: The first United Way Women Who Rock event was held to fundraise for the scholarship program

2017: We celebrated the first United Way Women Who Rock Child Care Scholarship graduates!

2021: The 2021 Women Who Rock event raised funds for 10 child care scholarships

About United Way of Greater Houston: United Way of Greater Houston creates opportunities for people in our community to thrive through financial stability programs, early childhood and youth development programs, and physical and behavioral health care programs, all supported by a foundation of basic needs assistance, and support for those escaping violent situations. We manage every donation with care to make the greatest impact across the four-county region of Fort Bend, Harris, Montgomery, and Waller counties, and we connect neighbors with help 24/7 through our 211 Texas/United Way HELPLINE. For more information visit, www.unitedwayhouston.org.

About United Way THRIVE: THRIVE is a free program that helps people in the Greater Houston Area become more financially stable. Personalized coaching helps clients increase income, manage and eliminate debt, improve career opportunities, build savings, and acquire assets. In the last 13 years, United Way THRIVE has helped more than 260,000 families, has expanded and adapted to meet growing and changing needs, and has built a model for family financial stability that is creating generational change and economic impact across our region.