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United Way of Acadiana Holds 2024 Annual Meeting

Lafayette, La. — Wednesday, March 20, approximately 350 guests attended United Way of Acadiana's Annual Meeting. Over breakfast at La Pavilion at Parc Lafayette, the organization kicked off the year-long celebration of its 75th anniversary in 2024.

In addition to updates on various programs shared by current and former board members, the meeting also featured remarks from Ochsner Lafayette General CEO Al Patin. He talked about the importance of community partnerships, including two key initiatives sponsored by United Way: [Resources for Developing Minds](#) and the [Community Health Needs Assessment](#).

Coca-Cola Bottling was presented with the John G. Torian Award for its outstanding engagement as a United Way supporter for employee workplace campaigns. Community Advocate awards were also presented to Traci Aucoin of LPSS for the role she plays in bringing different groups together to support local education for the Teacher Awards and Donna Landry, CEO of Our Lady of Lourdes. Landry is an active supporter of many local organizations, including United Way of Acadiana where she has served as a former board chair. She is a regular Tocqueville Society contributor to United Way of Acadiana, and she was part of the initial group of women who founded the Women United program.

United Way of Acadiana's 2023 Annual Report has been released and is now available on the organization's [website](#).

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About United Way of Acadiana

United Way of Acadiana is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Lafayette that serves the people of Acadia, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Martin, and Vermilion parishes. For 75 years United Way of Acadiana has worked to unite people and organizations with passion, expertise and resources to create an educated, prosperous and safe Acadiana where all individuals and families achieve their potential. For more information, visit unitedwayofacadiana.org.