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## **United Way of Val Verde County and FamilyWize Help Local Community Save \$26,454 on Prescription Medications**

*Health Impact Report reveals partnership has helped 265 community members*

**Del Rio, Texas—August 09, 2016**—United Way of Val Verde County and FamilyWize announced today that local community members have saved \$26,454 on prescription medications through the organizations' partnership. The results were revealed in the annual Health Impact Report, a compendium of data reflecting the health and financial support offered by United Way and FamilyWize in its joint community initiatives across the country.

Over 1,000 United Ways have collaborated with FamilyWize to help 9.6 million Americans save more than \$1 billion, with an average savings of 40 percent since the partnership began.

Key community highlights from the Health Impact Report for the community include:

- \$26,454 savings on prescription medications
- 265 community members helped

"All too often we see families struggling to stay healthy due to the high cost of their prescription medications," said Robyn Maple, Chief Professional Officer of United Way of Val Verde County. "Partnering with FamilyWize has allowed us to offer new, free resources to our community members for managing their finances and improving their families' quality of life. It's encouraging to see the true impact our partnership has had and we look forward to supporting more families."

"We are proud of our work with United Way and the far-reaching impact we have achieved," added Dan Barnes, CEO and Co-Founder of FamilyWize. "The current U.S. healthcare landscape remains difficult for millions of Americans to navigate, and rising prescription medication costs are causing many to sacrifice health to afford other basic necessities. With United Way, we are working towards a goal of helping even more families become educated on their options for finding cost-efficient prescription medications."

The FamilyWize program is free and saved participants an average of 43 percent off of their prescription medications in 2015. Accepted at more than 60,000 pharmacies nationwide and covering all FDA approved prescription medications, the FamilyWize card has no eligibility requirements and is available to anyone. To sign up for the program, visit [www.familywize.org](http://www.familywize.org), download the Android or Apple app, or print out the card. The card is also available at the United Way of Val Verde County.

For more information about United Way of Val Verde County, visit [www.uwvalverde.org](http://www.uwvalverde.org), call (830)774-0704, or email [admin@uwvalverde.org](mailto:admin@uwvalverde.org).

### **About FamilyWize**

Since 2005, FamilyWize has helped almost 10 million Americans live healthier lives by saving them more than \$1 billion on life-saving prescription drugs. By aggregating large groups of patients, FamilyWize advocates and negotiates for deep discounts on prescription drugs which it then passes these discounts



on in full to patients. FamilyWize partners with some of the most respected community groups and health care providers in the country, including United Way Worldwide, Mental Health America, and American Heart Association, among thousands of other community organizations. To join FamilyWize, download our app at <https://familywize.org/prescription-savings-card/get-your-free-card/>.

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