

## Peel residents can help displaced Mississauga families

As the community rebuilds, United Way of Peel Region, the City of Mississauga and The Region of Peel are partnering to make it easier for Peel residents to help those impacted by the recent explosion on Hickory Drive in Mississauga.

A home on Hickory Drive exploded June 28, killing two people and injuring nine others. The explosion forced hundreds from their homes. Many have since been able to return, but the area closest to the blast site continues to be off-limits to residents.

Residents across the region have been reaching out to the City, asking how they can help. In turn, the City and Region are partnering with United Way to mobilize those who want to get involved.

As the Hickory Drive community begins rebuilding, United Way will provide community members with an opportunity to give, act or volunteer to the rebuilding efforts. Learn more at [unitedwaypeel.org/hickorydrive/](https://unitedwaypeel.org/hickorydrive/)

Based on initial resident consultations, United Way is setting a community goal of \$50,000 to support those in crisis. All of the donations through United Way of Peel Region will be used to respond to the immediate and long-term needs of the residents as they rebuild their lives.

As an organization, our mandate is to act as a central point of mobilization to support those in need in our community, United Way of Peel Region President and CEO Shelley White commented. This situation is no different. We are committed to meeting this need.