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## **Sioux Empire Lives United and raises \$9.4 Million**

Sioux Falls, SD – Sioux Empire United Way met and exceeded their fundraising goal this year, raising a total of \$9,433,828. The results of the campaign were announced this morning at a gathering of more than 200 people.

The goal of \$9.4 million was set after volunteers thoroughly reviewed needs, analyzed budgets and allocated dollars for 2010. Sioux Empire United Way's 98 partner programs will use the funds in 2010 to serve one in three people in the Sioux Empire.

"The generosity of the Sioux Empire is remarkable," explained Scott Lawrence, 2010 Campaign Chair. "And the dollars we have raised are going to do incredible things for our community in the next year."

More than 30,000 people and 700 businesses participated in this year's campaign. Sioux Empire United Way's 11 staff members helped to organize more than 1,000 volunteers for the annual fundraising drive.

"The needs of the Sioux Empire are real and are often very basic needs like food, clothing and shelter," continued Lawrence. "Reaching this year's goal enables the work of our partner programs to continue to meet these important needs."

For more information about this year's campaign please contact the United Way office at 336-2095.

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