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Yes, I would like to support children and families in need. I am interested in (please check all that apply):

Making a Financial Gift to assist children and families with their most pressing needs

Your gift can help bring a troubled teen back from the brink, fill a void for a child without a family to call their own, or provide refuge and healing for those who have suffered from years of abuse or neglect. Some examples of the needs your gift will provide are life skills training, art therapy, training for families interested in becoming foster or adoptive parents, counseling, recreational therapy, music education, experiential horticulture classes, commencement ceremonies, cultural education, scholarships, field trips, and chaplain services. Your gift will touch lives and create futures. UMFS does not receive apportionments.

Learning more about becoming a Foster and/or Adoptive Parent

Did you know there are approximately 6,500 children and teens in the Virginia foster care system? Did you know that 270,000 of the U.S. prison population were once in foster care? Did you know that Virginia foster care alumni are twice as likely to become homeless or incarcerated than they are to attend college? On any given day, UMFS has 25 children and teens waiting for homes. You can make a difference in the life of a child by providing a loving foster or adoptive home.

Providing material needs for children and families through Gifts-in-Kind

Sometimes children come to us with little more than what is on their backs. Gift-in-kind needs vary throughout the year and season. Gift cards to supercenters, grocery stores, and restaurants are always helpful as they allow the children and families to shop on their own. During the holiday season, Secret Santa assists several hundred children who might not otherwise be able to celebrate the holidays with gifts.

Discovering the ways I can make a difference by becoming a Volunteer

One hour of your time can impact a child forever. Have you thought about becoming a tutor? Do you like to cook? Have you thought about helping children with homework or making crafts? Do you like to garden or paint? Do you have a special skill or speak foreign languages? If so, we have an opportunity for you! Each year we depend on 500+ volunteers to meet the needs of our families and children. Volunteer opportunities are available for individuals and groups and can be customized to suit you and the needs of UMFS.

You can also visit www.umfs.org to learn more about our network of services and how you can assist our children and families.

*Return this form to the UMFS representative who provided your presentation
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