

NO ONE IN OUR COMMUNITY HAS TO FACE A CRISIS ALONE



Every day thousands of people in our area struggle to buy healthy food, find affordable child care, secure a job that pays the bills, find access to healthcare, and other essential needs. **United Way of the Big Bend is here to help.**

Just as you would call **911** for emergencies, you can call **211** or **988** for human services information and assistance.

United Way funds **211 of the Big Bend** to help provide referrals to a wide variety of community services in the Big Bend Region. Services such as:

- Clothing
- Crisis Counseling
- Child Developmental & Behavioral Concerns
- Disability Screening & Services
- Employment Services
- Emotional Support Services/Counseling
- Family Planning
- Food Pantries
- Grief & Loss
- Health Services
- Housing/Shelter
- Legal Services
- Suicide Prevention
- Substance Abuse
- Troubled Teens
- Transportation and much more!

What is 988? It is the new National Suicide Prevention Lifeline number for suicide prevention and mental health crisis in partnership with 211 Big Bend.

According to the CDC, one person completes suicide every 11 minutes. Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death across all ages in the United States.

A call to **211** or **988** provides immediate access to someone trained in crisis response, who can provide immediate support and connection to resources. **211** Big Bend is pleased to be a Lifeline network crisis center and to work with key mental health partners in the local community including mobile response team units. **211 & 988** are available 24 hours a day. You do not have to be in crisis to call, there are no eligibility criteria, and **services are free.**

COMMON CONCERNS*

Housing/Shelter	8,398
Food	2,450
Utilities	2,537
Healthcare & COVID-19	4,518
Mental Health & Addiction	2,686
Employment & Income	625
Clothing & Household	820
Child Care & Parenting	358
Government & Legal	1,106
Transportation Assistance	3,600
Education	106
Disaster	289
Other	3,547

**Callers often have more than 1 concern*

32,403
TOTAL CALLS



TOGETHER WE DO MORE!