



Stillwater
CARES
Helping people help people

MISSION

Stillwater CARES connects community organizations, builds relationships and identifies resources to alleviate and prevent poverty by promoting interactive solutions.

IMPACT AREAS

- Financial Security
- Community Resiliency

PURPOSE

Families in Payne County experiencing poverty often face interconnected challenges such as limited access to stable employment, affordable childcare, transportation, housing and community resources. As a result, they frequently must navigate multiple agencies with different eligibility requirements and processes to access the support they need.

SERVICES

Stillwater CARES strengthens collaboration among local service providers to improve access to resources for families. Through partnerships, shared tools like Charity Tracker, and initiatives such as community conversations and Getting Ahead classes, Stillwater CARES reduces barriers, improves service coordination and builds a more connected support system for families experiencing poverty.

RESULT

Participation in the Getting Ahead Program over the past year provided valuable knowledge and insight to a recent graduate. The program offered tools and perspectives that will remain beneficial both now and in the future. It also fostered a deeper understanding of the underlying causes of personal financial challenges, as well as the broader financial struggles experienced within the community.