

## **2010 Results of Work in the Financial Stability Area**

The second building block of a good life is financial stability. Financial Stability issues and questions our families face are as follows:

- Do you have a job that will sustain you and your family?
- Do you have housing that you can afford?
- Are you building savings?

Although United Way has only three agencies in this focus area, we are charged with helping families become financially stable and independent.

We are happy to report today that 1,608 clients received services last year from our 3 agencies.

We leveraged over \$1.4 million additional dollars back into Etowah County through grants, state dollars and federal programs.

But we are not just about numbers, we are about families.

- Like the 21 year old boy with autism that gained job skills at Darden. And....along the way, he helps maintain our park at Noccalula Falls.
- It's the young single mother going to the Family Success Center in a time of crisis.... connecting her with food, utility and legal assistance as well as connecting her to health insurance for her child. The family has moved to affordable housing, mom has found a job and the financial stability of this family is improving every day.
- It's our Gadsden Community Ed program working with the 23 year-old, high-school drop-out to encourage her return to get her GED and her 19 year-old brother who needed encouragement to finish his high school diploma.

Our families have resources to turn to in this community because of the support they receive from United Way. From the Financial Stability agencies:

# **Thank YOU!**