

ADVERTISEMENT

MEMBER CENTER: [Create Account](#) | [Log In](#)

[SITE SEARCH](#)

WEB SEARCH BY 

KNDO KNDU *Right Now*

- [Home](#)
- [News](#)
- [Weather](#)
- [Sports](#)
- [Programming](#)
- [Community](#)
- [Classifieds](#)
- [Lifestyle](#)
- [Contact Us](#)

 [Email](#)

 [Print](#)

 [Text Size](#)

ADVERTISEMENT

211 Phone Service Needs More Funding

April 3, 2007 02:19 PM EDT

Video Now

 [211 Phone Service Needs Funding](#)

KENNEWICK, Wash. - The United Way is sending out a call to action. Staff claim without your help, the future of the 211 phone service may be in jeopardy.

The problem is Washington legislators didn't dedicate enough funding to help 211 keep meeting the growing needs of people living through out the state.

Last year legislators gave 211 \$2.5 million. But the new budget requires 211 to make due with only \$ 1 million a year.

Without necessary funds the United Way claims it can't expand to 24 hours a day, and will be forced to make cutbacks.

"Not everybody has problems between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Many times people have problems early in the evening or they're working during the day, and they can't take the time to make that call to 211 to ask for help," said Beverly Weber, United Way of Benton and Franklin Counties, President.

So the United Way is hoping people petition their state senators starting Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. until Thursday at 6 p.m.

If you want to find out how to contact your senator you can call the state legislative hotline at 1-800-562-6000, or select your senator from the list below.

Senator Jerome Delvin (R) 8th District 1-360-786-7614 delvin.jerome@leg.wa.gov

Senator Jim Clements (R) 14th District 1-360-786-7626 clements.jim@leg.wa.gov

Senator Jim Honeyford (R) 15th District 1-360-786-7684 honeyford.jim@leg.wa.gov

Senator Janea Holmquist (R) 13th District 1-360-786-7624 holmquist.janea@leg.wa.gov

Senator Mark Schoesler (R) 9th District 1-360-786-7620 schoesler.mark@leg.wa.gov

Senator Mike Hewitt (R) 16th District 1-360-786-7630 hewitt.mike@leg.wa.gov

Yakima News

[more>>](#)

Capitol Theatre to Make Changes

Outdoor cabaret and more festivals may be heading to downtown Yakima

Governor Gregoire Visits Local Orchard

After a tour of the orchard the governor spoke about the Working Land Initiative.

Gas near record high

AAA say the average price of gas in Washington is a near record of \$3.15 per gallon.

Committee reaches fundraising goal

The Committee for Downtown Yakima says they have reached their fundraising goal of \$300,000.

YVCC Says Classes Back to Normal Wednesday

Campus officials say everything should be back to normal, Wednesday, April 25th

Tri-Cities News

[more>>](#)

Online High School

Officials from an online high school were in the Tri-Cities explaining the benefits of turning to the web to get an education.

Online High School

Officials from an online high school were in the Tri-Cities explaining the benefits of turning to the web to get an education.

License Plate Warning

Kennewick Police have a warning for the public about a strategy car thieves are using to get away with stolen cars.

Water Bottles Could Be Worth More in Oregon

You've been able to get a refund for recycling pop cans for years, but just now, the state is trying to include plastic water bottles.

Where's the Line in School Lockdowns

Every situation is different, so educators say there's no set line, but there is one set policy, no matter what, when a threat comes in, it's never brushed aside.



All content © Copyright 2000 - 2007 WorldNow and KNDO/KNDU. All Rights Reserved.
For more information on this site, please read our [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Service](#).