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## **United Way reaches 13 per cent of local goal**

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One month into its 2009 fundraising campaign, the United Way of Burlington and Greater Hamilton has hit more than 13 per cent of its Burlington goal.

As of Friday, \$248,340 has been raised for the UW's yearly campaign that supports about 45 Burlington-area programs and services, including the senior's centre, Compassion Society and Halton Food For Thought.

The UW has set its 2009 Burlington fundraising target at \$2,080,000, only slightly higher than the 2008 goal of \$2.05 M, which was surpassed by about \$20,000.

The 2009 target was described as a "modest increase" at the September fundraising announcement.

The total fundraising amount for both communities, as of last week, was \$900,336 –about \$652,000 of which was allocated for the Greater Hamilton area.

The 2009 campaign will continue until the first week of January 2010.