

# **Hydration Stations Donor Quotes**

# **United Way for Southeastern Michigan**

"For more than a century, the core of our work has focused on ensuring the communities' basic needs are met and access to clean drinking water is one such basic need," says Darienne Driver, EdD, president and CEO, United Way for Southeastern Michigan. "DPSCD is a valued United Way partner as we are both committed to the wellbeing of students. We stand firmly with the District in putting the safety of our children first and ask the community's support of our special campaign so that students have access to clean drinking water."

### **Quicken Loans Community Fund**

"Clean water is a fundamental human right and if anything interferes with that right, then we believe it is the entire community's responsibility to immediately address it, especially when it comes to our children," said Dan Gilbert, Founder & Chairman of Quicken Loans Community Fund. "We are proud to stand alongside the district and other generous donors who have come together to support Dr. Vitti, who is leading the charge to immediately and decisively fix this serious issue."

# **Delta Dental Foundation**

"The Delta Dental Foundation is committed to doing its part to ensure that children are healthy and have the tools they need to succeed in school and in life. We are proud to partner with others who recognize that an investment in pure drinking water for Detroit's students is an investment in a healthy, smart and vibrant future for our community." – Teri Battaglieri, Executive Director of the Delta Dental Foundation

## **DTE Energy Foundation**

"The DTE Energy Foundation is proud to support the Detroit Public Schools Community District's Hydration Station initiative, ensuring that all the district's students have access to clean water," said Dave Meador, DTE Energy vice chairman and chief administrative officer. "We're honored to stand among so many of the region's leading companies in providing a long-term solution to this critical challenge facing the Detroit Public Schools Community District and its more than 50,000 students."

## **Ford Motor Company Fund**

"Children cannot learn if they are worried about unhealthy or unsafe drinking water," said Jim Vella, president, Ford Motor Company Fund. "As a trusted company meeting community needs, we are proud to contribute toward a better environment for Detroit's school children."

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### **General Motors**

"Children shouldn't have to focus on anything other than learning and growing," said Terry Rhadigan, executive director of Corporate Giving at General Motors. "That's why General Motors is proud to join the effort to provide clean, safe drinking water for Detroit students."

#### **FCA Foundation**

"We know that even low levels of lead in the blood of children can result in a host of adverse health effects," said Christine Estereicher, Director – State Relations, Civic Engagement and External Affairs – FCA US LLC and CEO – FCA Foundation. "The FCA Foundation is proud to help provide clean, safe drinking water, which will promote a healthier learning environment for students and staff of the Detroit Public Schools Community District."

# Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan/Blue Care Network

"Children's health is of the utmost importance to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, and access to safe drinking water is essential to their overall wellness," said Tiffany Albert, CEO of Blue Care Network. "We're proud to serve as a community partner in supporting the city's youth by contributing to the installation of hydration stations in Detroit's Public Schools."

#### **Ascension Michigan**

"Ascension Michigan is proud to join other organizations in the community to contribute to the efforts of the Detroit Public Schools Community District to provide safe, clean water to students. This program exemplifies our Mission to serve those who are most vulnerable, and to support the health and welfare of the communities we serve."

#### Henry Ford Health System and Health Alliance Plan

"We have always believed in supporting the communities we serve beyond providing health care," says Bob Riney, president of Healthcare Operations and chief operating officer at Henry Ford Health System. "The Detroit Public Schools is an integral community partner we need to rally around in this time of need. On behalf of Henry Ford Health System and HAP, we are pleased to offer our support to ensure the health and safety of their students and staff."

### **Detroit Medical Center**

"The Detroit Medical Center has proudly served the Detroit community for more than 150 years. The DMC is honored to contribute in helping to bring safe drinking water to the children of Detroit. As we often say at Children's Hospital of Michigan, 'it's all about our kids,'" says Anthony Tedeschi, M.D. CEO, Detroit Medical Center. "Thank you for

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the opportunity to show that the Detroit Medical Center cares...through our strong commitment to community - a commitment that is as strong now as it has ever been."

# **The Jewish Fund**

"The Jewish Fund is very pleased to assist your efforts to ensure that all students attending school will be able access safe drinking water now and into the future." - Nancy Grosfeld, The Jewish Fund, Board Chair