

**UNITED WAY OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS PARTNERS WITH AT&T AND MR. COOPER GROUP TO 'STOCK THE SCHOOL' WITH LEARNING SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT AT FOUR DALLAS AND PLANO ISD SCHOOLS**

*Event will take place on August 1 and 2 at Barron Elementary, JN Ervin Elementary, Gabe P. Allen New Tech Elementary, and Meadows Elementary*

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**DALLAS (JULY 25, 2024)** – With school districts facing continued budget limitations for the upcoming school year, four Dallas Independent School District (DISD) and Plano Independent School District (PISD) schools will start the school year with new essential learning supplies and equipment, thanks to [United Way of Metropolitan Dallas](#) and its partners, AT&T and Mr. Cooper Group.

During United Way of Metropolitan Dallas' annual Stock the School program – part of its Aspire United Volunteer Series sponsored by Texas Instruments (TI) the impact drumbeat of the Centennial Celebration – 200 volunteers will gather on August 1 and 2 at Barron Elementary, JN Ervin Elementary, Gabe P. Allen New Tech Elementary, and Meadows Elementary to collect and stock supplies and revitalize areas of the schools to create a refreshed and positive learning environment for both students and teachers. In addition, the Hamilton Park community – a historically Black neighborhood adjacent to TI's headquarters – will receive 1,000 backpacks filled with supplies assembled by TI employees.

“A quality education starts with access to quality resources,” said Jennifer Sampson, McDermott-Templeton president and CEO of United Way of Metropolitan Dallas. “When students and teachers are equipped with the tools and support they need to succeed, every child has a greater opportunity to thrive.”

According to Sampson, the Stock the School event unites the community to ensure North Texas students and teachers walk into the classroom confident, empowered and prepared. Through volunteer efforts, teachers and students will enjoy remodeled teacher workspaces, organized and cleaned common spaces, and updated décor.

Volunteers can sign up for this inspiring event at [www.unitedwaydallas.org/volunteer](http://www.unitedwaydallas.org/volunteer). Volunteers also are encouraged to [send a digital card](#) to a local teacher or purchase much-needed classroom and campus supplies from an established [Amazon Wishlist](#) that benefits students and teachers at participating Dallas and Plano ISD elementary schools.

Sampson noted, “At United Way of Metropolitan Dallas, we understand that success in the classroom creates a foundation for life, providing children with greater access to education, income and health—the building blocks of opportunity.”

In 2025, United Way of Metropolitan Dallas will celebrate 100 years as the premier social change organization serving North Texas. The centennial anniversary year will include a full slate of volunteer and community events, spotlighting the ways the organization will impact the future of the region and create positive lasting change in the community for the next 100 years.

## About United Way of Metropolitan Dallas

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas is a social change organization that unites the community to create access and opportunity for all North Texans to thrive. We bring together passionate change-makers alongside corporate, civic and nonprofit partners to drive lasting change and equity in education, income and health – the building blocks of opportunity. United Way is committed to leading a fully inclusive, multicultural movement right here at home. We invite all North Texans to Live United and be part of this change. To give, advocate or volunteer, visit [UnitedWayDallas.org](http://UnitedWayDallas.org).

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