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## **MADISON TEACHERS UNITED IN SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY**

*Donates \$50,000 supporting Dane County during COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund*

TODAY, Wednesday, March 18 - On behalf of the 4,000 Madison teachers, support staff and substitute teachers represented by Madison Teachers Inc. (MTI), our Union leadership has authorized the contribution of \$50,000 towards the Covid-19 Madison Community Assistance Fund administered by the United Way.

Additionally, available MTI members will be supporting the United Way of Dane County efforts by volunteering in our community in a manner consistent with public health protocols. The UWDC is prioritizing MTI members professional background and connecting them with agencies doing emergency work.

MTI members will give their time as food delivery volunteers, providing childcare for emergency workers (e.g. firefighters, nurses, etc.), and staffing pantries especially educational staff with bilingual capabilities. As educational professionals we know what a huge impact every individual can have when united in a collective effort.

MTI has also taken immediate action to deploy union resources to provide financial support to members impacted by the pandemic. The MTI Solidarity Fund is available to provide no interest loans of up to \$1,000 for MTI members who suffer a financial impact due to the pandemic. More information on MTI Solidarity Fund loans available on the [MTI COVID-19 website](#).

MTI stands in Solidarity with our community as we respond to this pandemic.

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