

DICKINSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION



August - September 2017

Featured

My Stuff Bags Foundation gives to all DISD kinder and first graders

All first grade and kindergarten students in Dickinson ISD received these "comfort kit" bags from the My Stuff Bags Foundation. The Dickinson Education Foundation partnered with this organization in California to receive this amazing donation for our students.

The My Stuff Bags Foundation focuses on providing comfort items to children who had been through crisis. These bags were filled with comfort items like slippers, hand-sewn blankets, craft kits, stuffed animals, books, and small toys.

Highlights

SARAH PEPPER SUPPORTS DICKINSON

Houston Radio Personality, Sarah Pepper, attends first Dickinson HS football game in support of our Gators.

GATOR AID RELIEF

Colleen O'Brien, wife of Texans Head Coach O'Brien, donates Reebok shoes. Long Island resident, Eric Cohen, and his family, donated a POD full of supplies for Harvey victims.

HOUSTON FOOD BANK EVENT

The Houston Food Bank partnered with the Foundation to provide supplies to DISD teachers.



My Stuff Bags



Smiling faces of students at Bay Colony Elementary and Lobit Elementary who received their bags. My Stuff Bags Foundation donated over 800 bags to allow for every DISD first grade and kindergarten student to take home a comfort care bag filled with items like books, slippers, crafts, and stuffed animals.



Sarah Pepper Supports DISD



Billye Smith, DHS Principal Radio Personality Sarah Pepper, and Amanda Flannery at the first Gator football game of 2017.

Dickinson Gators hosted the Texas City Stingarees on Friday, September 15. The Gators won 47-7. Sarah Pepper from Mix 96.5 visited The Swamp to kick off the game and send well wishes to Dickinson.

Sarah has been working with the Education Foundation to contribute supplies to our students and teachers in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. She has used the platform to spread awareness about Dickinson and our efforts.

Gator Kick at Sam Vitanza Stadium



Two students who were picked for "Gator Kick" also had the chance to kick a field goal and win money for their school.

Mackey Mechanical pledged to match the Education Foundation's donation if a student made a field goal. One of the field goals was good!

Houston Texans Gator Aid

Shoes and Clothes are distributed to Dickinson ISD Students and Staff

Dickinson High School students who suffered loss in the flood were able to come and "shop" for new shoes at the administration building. Students also picked out new clothing items.



Ongoing during the month of September, counselors and principals from all campuses come during the school day to pick up items for students and staff who are in need on their campuses. Huge thank you to Mrs. Colleen O'Brien for the donation of Reebok shoes!

Houston Texans Gator Aid

Supplies were delivered from the Lady Texans to Dickinson ISD



Lady Texans and Texans representatives visited Dickinson ISD's Education Foundation collection center to offer contributions and supplies to be donated back to Dickinson ISD students. We are so appreciative of your kindness. We even taught them how to Gator Chomp! #TexansHelpingTexans #GatorStrong #WeAreDickinson #DickinsonEducationFoundation

#GatorAid Relief Efforts

Long Island Resident Initiates Collection and Donation for Dickinson Students



In August, the Education Foundation was contacted by Long Island resident and business owner, Eric Cohen. He communicated to us that he was watching the news about the flooding events in our area, and felt he needed to do something. Mr. Cohen took it upon himself to initiate a supplies drive for the Dickinson ISD community.

For two weeks, he shut down his window washing business to accept donations. He loaded the supplies into a Pod and shipped it down to Texas. We had the pleasure of meeting Eric and his wife, Rosemarie, as well as his daughter Jamie, who made the trip down to see the pod be delivered.

Many thanks

Thank you so much to this generous family and their actions. We appreciate you and your community for your contributions to our students!

Special thank you to volunteers from Invesco for helping the Foundation unload and sort these donations!



Donations for Dickinson

Contributions have poured in from Texas and the US

Frost Bank Gives Back to DISD



Frost Bank donated \$5,000 towards the Dickinson ISD Harvey relief. In this picture Carla Voelkel and Amanda Flannery were presented with a check from Mark S Worthen., Jorge Garza, and Faith Muth of Frost Bank. Thank you Frost Bank for supporting the community!

Relief from Cape Cod

Thank you goes to Joshua Walbert and Elizabeth Miles for delivering this amazing donation to the students of Dickinson ISD! They collected \$5,400 in monetary donations to give to DISD from the community of Cape Cod.



College of the Mainland Donations



COMPeers, the College of the Mainland employee group, donated school supplies to Dickinson ISD students and teachers.

Little Red Wagon Delivery



Three-year old Wyatt Dues from Dickinson came in to donate a little red wagon full of supplies!

Aid from Pennsylvania



Dickinson native, Chad-Alan Carr, took up a collection of supplies to donate to DISD from the Gettysburg Community Theatre in Gettysburg, PA. Carr also organized a benefit concert for Dickinson.



Donations for Dickinson

Contributions have poured in from Texas and the US

La Joya ISD Comes to Dickinson



Our friends in La Joya ISD loaded their marching band trailer full of supplies including food, water, clothes, cleaning supplies, baby supplies and more and drove it to Dickinson ISD to offer support to our community. Thank you, La Joya ISD!

Relief from the West Coast

Thank you goes to Jaimie Sheth from California! She connected with Sarah Pepper and the Education Foundation and drove 24 hours from the West Coast to deliver a van full of supplies to Dickinson Education Foundation.



Relief from EliteCare League City



Thank you Elite Care 24 Hour Emergency Room - League City for your generous donation of \$2,500 in gift cards for Gators!

Class of 2007 Donation

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Dickinson's Class of 2007 donated \$700.00 worth of gift cards to benefit Harvey Relief Efforts

New Friends in Deerfield, Wisconsin



We're sending a big Gator THANK YOU to our friends and neighbors from Deerfield Elementary in Wisconsin! These supporters gathered donations from their campus and are sending the contributions to Dickinson ISD to help offer relief to our students. We appreciate you!



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Alto ISD Gives Delivers Trailer of Supplies to DISD



Representatives from Alto ISD, a small school district near Nacogdoches, visited Dickinson ISD with a trailer full of donations for Dickinson ISD students and staff. Thank you Alto ISD!

Indorama makes \$20,000 donation

Representatives with Indorama Ventures LLC visited the district to present a \$20,000 donation to assist students and staff with recovery from Hurricane Harvey. Pictured are, left to right, Karen Sutton and John Smith with Indorama, Superintendent Vicki Mims, Megan Gregson with Indorama and Education Foundation Director Amanda Flannery. Thank you Indorama for your support!



Former Dickinson ISD Teacher Brings Wylie ISD Donation



Former Dickinson ISD teacher Michael Eames, who now works for Wylie ISD, coordinated a hurricane recovery donation to McAdams Junior High of backpacks, socks, toiletry items and snack items, plus a monetary donation of \$1,540. Thank you Wylie ISD Bulldogs!



DEF Partners with Houston Food Bank

Houston Food Bank Gives Back to DISD Teachers

The Dickinson Education Foundation partnered with the Houston Food Bank in September to help provide some relief to our Dickinson ISD teachers.

The Foundation assisted the Houston Food Bank during this event with supplies distribution and teacher registration.

In addition to distributing supplies like food, school supplies, cleaning supplies, clothes, and shoes, the Houston Food Bank also handed out free Astros tickets while supplies lasted.

Approximately 230 Dickinson ISD teachers received assistance from the Food Bank!



DEF Partners wit Kohl's Department Stores

Kohl's Sends Volunteers, Donates \$17,000 to DISD

Kohl's department stores came out in full force to support Dickinson ISD through their Kohl's Cares Program, which involved 87 Kohl's employees volunteering for several hours to sort and organize donations the district has received from school districts and communities throughout the nation. Kohl's also made a donation of \$17,000 to the Dickinson ISD Education Foundation's Hurricane Recovery Campaign, which is allowing the Education Foundation to provide students in need with gift cards to purchase new clothes and other basic needs. Watch the video about the event here: https://youtu.be/KG7eIHs_ylk



Dickinson ISD Distributes \$100 Tanger Outlet Gift Cards

Dickinson Education Foundation and Indorama Ventures LLC. supplement donations from Tanger Outlets



Generous monetary donations were given to Dickinson ISD that were used to provide \$100 gift cards to Tanger Outlet Mall to help students and employees displaced by the hurricane replace some of the clothing and items that may have been lost in the flooding.

Tanger Outlet Mall donated \$75,000, Indorama Ventures LLC. donated \$20,000 and the Dickinson Education Foundation contributed the \$37,000 in donations given via their Facebook Fundraising Campaign. These contributions allow for 1,320 students and employees to receive a Tanger Outlet Mall gift card.

Summary of Education Foundation Relief Efforts

- Kohl's-78 associates volunteered to stuff donation care kits and backpacks donated by the Houston Texans. The care kits were hygiene products, baby products as well as socks and underwear. These volunteer hours will be a monetary donation of approximately \$17,000.00 to the Education Foundation.
- Houston Texans donated 25-\$25 gift cards totaling \$5,000 that we divided up and sent to principals at each campus they also donated \$3000 worth of backpacks.
- The DISDEF started a facebook campaign for Harvey Relief: \$35,494.00-was raised across the United States from various generous donors- These funds were used along with Tanger Outlet Mall that donated \$75,000 and Indorama Ventures LLC \$20,000 to purchase \$100 giftcards for 1,320 students and employees of DISD.
- Galveston Rotary donated \$700 (gift cards/cash). (These were divided and sent to campus principals to help support immediate needs of families effected the worst by Harvey.)
- School supply list posted on Facebook was fulfilled. (Supply room is now set up at the ESC where teachers can come and get supplies that were donated.)
- Organized effort to get immediate needs met of our teachers. Volunteers took water and bleach to our employees. Just days after the storm, we used the ESC as a hub.
- Utilized Facebook for Gator Academy needs: 9 cribs, 3 changing stations, swings, nap mats (all brand new) were donated.
- Target donated \$3,000 to purchase baby furniture for Gator Academy. (Jeff Pack - Director of Elementary programs and two other volunteers purchased supplies.)
- Created Harvey link with information about donations and needs with help from Jenna Simsen.
- Numerous donors sending trucks with supplies from all over Texas and other states (New York, New Jersey, Wisconsin).
- Wylie ISD sent backpacks and \$1,500 (Michael Eames).
- Donation from Austin with specials needs supplies, CPAP machine, GI feeding kit and wheelchairs for special programs.
- 77,000 articles of new clothing donated by Fanatics Clothing. Currently being distributed at the ESC.
- Drive for "We are Dickinson" shirts and 10% of the profits will be returned to the Foundation. This drive was started by Clay Menotti.
- Massage Heights donated free massages to volunteers.
- Colleen O'Brien helped to get over 4,000 pairs of shoes donated. We set up times for counselors to come get shoes and clothing for the children in need.
- M.I. Lewis Social Services Center and United Way Galveston County Mainland donated \$25,000 to the Dickinson Education Foundation

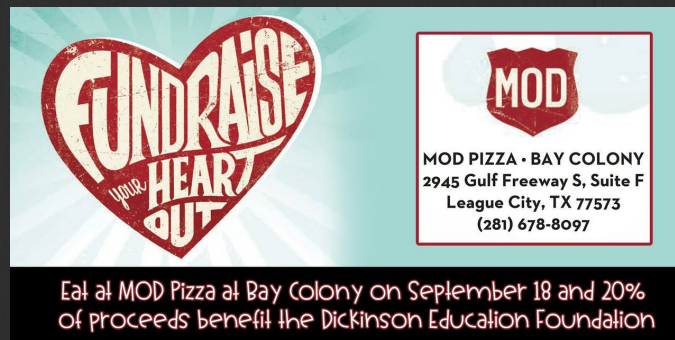
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Education Foundation Hosts Fundraising Events for Student Scholarships and Teaching Grants

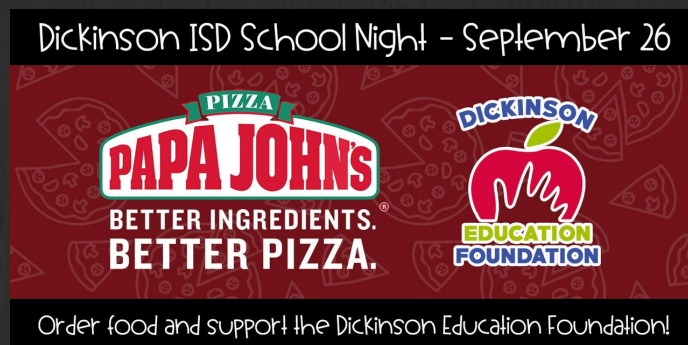
The Foundation hosted four fundraising events in September and October to raise money for student scholarships and teaching grants.



Chomp for Change at Jimmy Changas in League City to benefit students at Silbernagel, Hughes Road Elementary, Lobit Elementary, and Lobit Middle School.



MOD Pizza fundraiser took place on September 18 to benefit the Dickinson Education Foundation!



Papa John's partnered with the Dickinson Education Foundation on September 26 to give back to DISD students!

DISD Education Foundation Events 2017-2018

October

Teaching Grants Review & Selection

Oct 2nd Jimmy Changas

Oct 27th 8AM-4PM Teaching Grants Awarded to All campuses

November

Nov 6th Jimmy Changas

December

Dec 4th Jimmy Changas

January

Focus on Gala Table Sponsors

Jan 16th 6PM-8PM All Board Annual Retreat

(Boardroom, Jimmy Changas To-Go)

Jan 16th Jimmy Changas

February

Focus all Scholarships Listed Dates for Drive One for your School

Feb 6th 6PM Executive Board

Feb 6th Jimmy Changas

Feb 13th 6PM-7PM Gala Planning Meeting (Upstairs)

March

2nd Gala

March 6th 5PM Executive Board

March 6th 6PM All Board Meeting

March 6th Jimmy Changas

April

Focus on Drive One for your School/Top 20

Luncheon/Scholarships

April 3rd Jimmy Changas

April 6th Drive One for your School

May

1st 5PM Executive Board Meeting

May 1st 6PM All Board Meeting

May 8th Jimmy Changas

May 17th Scholarship Award Night- Time (TBD)

Other Pending Dates:

- Big Crawfish Bash for Next year
- Kendra Scott Night for November