

## News Release

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## Detroit Metropolitan Airport and local organizations seek volunteers

-- Airport organizes third Volunteer Recruitment Fair to showcase service opportunities with more than 30 local groups

**DETROIT** (**April 26, 2017**) – Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW) is encouraging teens and adults, with a desire to serve their community, to attend the Volunteer Recruitment Fair this Saturday, April 29, 2017, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn University Center. DTW is teaming up with United Way for Southeastern Michigan, Public Allies and the Volunteer Coordinators Network of SE Michigan to host the event, which will feature more than 30 local organizations with volunteer opportunities.

"Here at Detroit Metro Airport, we know firsthand the difference volunteers can make in the lives of others," said Airport Authority CEO Joseph Nardone. "Each day, our Airport Ambassadors help to improve the travel experience for our customers. We're hoping to add to our roster of dedicated volunteers. And, we're pleased to partner with dozens of worthwhile organizations in our region who are also seeking caring people to join their ranks. Together, we can enhance the quality of life in this area we all call home."

## **Volunteer Recruitment Fair**

Saturday, April 29, 2017 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. U of M-Dearborn, University Center 4901 Evergreen Road Dearborn, MI 48128

Each participating organization will have a table and representatives on hand to answer questions from potential volunteers. Attendees will have the chance to learn more about the organizations and find out how to get involved.

## **Participating Organizations**

Airport Ambassador Program @ DTW	Gleaners Community Food Bank: Cooking Matters
Alternatives For Girls Alzheimer's Association	Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County
American Cancer Society	HAVEN
American Red Cross	Henry Ford Estate – Fair Lane
Arab American National Museum	Henry Ford Hospice
At Bat	Henry Ford Sand Castles
Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan	Hospice of Michigan
Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History	Michigan Military Technical and Historical Society
COTS	Michigan Science Center
Crime Stoppers of Michigan	Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit
Crocker House Museum & Macomb County	Public Allies Metro Detroit
Historical Society	RSVP – Retired Senior Volunteer Program
Detroit Historical Society	St. Vincent and Sara Fisher Center
Detroit Institute of Arts	Starfish Family Services
Detroit VA Healthcare System	The Henry Ford
Detroit Zoological Society	The Senior Alliance – Area Agency on Aging
DMC Children's Hospital of Michigan	United Way for Southeastern Michigan
Easterseals Michigan	VIP Mentoring
First Step	Wayne Metro Community Action Agency

"We're hoping to have a great turnout during the recruitment fair, which coincides with National Volunteer Week," said Airport Authority Customer Service Manager Fran Wood. "Anyone with a heart for service is invited to attend. If you're a high school student or older, I guarantee you won't leave the University Center without finding an organization that is a perfect match for you."

For more information about the fair or to register an organization, contact Fran Wood: <u>fran.wood@wcaa.us</u>.

**Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport** (DTW) welcomed more than 34 million passengers in 2016 and is one of the world's leading air transportation hubs. With service from 13 scheduled passenger airlines, Michigan's largest airport offers more than 1,100 flights per day to and from more than 140 non-stop destinations on four continents. With two award-winning passenger terminals, six jet runways, and an onsite AAA Four-Diamond Westin Hotel, DTW is among the world's most efficient, customer friendly and operationally capable airports in North America. DTW is operated by **Wayne County Airport Authority**, which also operates nearby **Willow Run Airport** – an important corporate, cargo and general aviation facility. **The Airport Authority is entirely self-sustaining and does not receive tax dollars to support airport operations.** Visit www.metroairport.com for more information.