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**2016 CAMPAIGN MARKS NOV. 30 END DATE -
BUT FUNDRAISING EFFORTS CONTINUE FULL FORCE!**



A Cultural Potluck organized by WI Dept. of Revenue's Diversity Committee and WI Employee Trust Funds' IDEA Committee raised \$816 for Partners in Giving this week! Teaming up with other groups within your agency or UW work unit can be a great way to collaborate on events that benefit Partners in Giving.

The 2016 Partners in Giving Campaign "Give a little, Change a lot" has hit its traditional eighth week mark, but that doesn't mean efforts to raise funds for 2016 are over!

Many individual campaigns at state agencies and UW units are continuing well past the Nov. 30 date and are vital to the success of the 2016 state employee combined campaign in Dane County. Chairs and volunteers, please remember that final activities and efforts to increase participation which run past the last official day are **more than welcome**, and, in fact, **bring in vital funds** that will help our Campaign wrap up successfully.



Volunteer Alenka Dries from WI Dept. of Revenue with one of the ethnic foods at the Cultural Potluck.



WI DOR Secretary Chandler and Lottery Supervisor Beth Pakhe help pitch Partners in Giving!

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR: UW Partners in Giving APPRECIATION DAY!

This year's Partners in Giving Appreciation Day Celebration at the UW is set for **Sunday, Dec. 11** during the UW Women's Basketball game versus Marquette! The Appreciation Day is sponsored by the University Coordinating Committee. The goals are to celebrate the 2016 Campaign efforts and **say thank you to all the UW volunteers and donors** who participated. The event is from **12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the Kohl Center. **GO BADGERS!!**

LATEST TOTALS FROM THE 2016 CAMPAIGN

The 2016 totals are shaping up great! An update is expected sometime later this week, but as of right before Thanksgiving, the 2016 Partners in Giving "Give a little, Change a lot" Campaign had raised **well over a million dollars** for 520 charities!!



Volunteers collect donations during a special event at WI DOR.

As of Nov. 21, over **3,500 state, UW and UW Health employees in Dane County** had directly contributed or pledged money to the charities. The dollar totals and participation number are just short of last year at the same time, but with one more big, final push, we are very hopeful the Campaign amount will rival last year's and perhaps even supersede it, thanks to last efforts by all involved! Please [go here for the totals](#) as of late Nov. and for individual totals raised so far by each state agency, UW unit and UW Health employees. Remember, updated totals are coming out later this week!

THE FINAL PUSH IS ON!

As the campaign winds down, don't forget to **circle back with your potential donors to see if they still would like to "Give a Little"**. Unlike the character below (!), a relaxed, gentle, friendly reminder the Campaign is still taking donations is entirely appropriate. You can say you are there to answer any questions they may have, including how they can give online or with a pledge form. Highlight the payroll deduction option and how a small gift makes a big difference.

You can also **share your personal story** and why you give. And point to the [Success Stories on the Partners in Giving website](#) so they can read for themselves how real families and individuals have been helped by some of the 520 charities.



"Frankenstein" was one of 23 contestants in a WI DOR Halloween Contest which raised over \$800!!

REMINDER: You can get tips on how to reach out to coworkers for contributions. Go to [Partners in Giving website](#) Volunteer section and click on [Training Videos](#) to get some ideas and methods that encourage donations.

- You can **use examples** of how even a small gift of \$1, \$5 or \$10 a month can and does make a difference. This information is readily available to anyone at www.giving.wi.gov under the section [Why Donate](#).
- Please try to **follow up with those who have already donated**. Don't forget to go out of your way to drop off a thank you note and magnet, or in some other small way let your donors know how much their contributions are valued. Often, one personal thank you goes a long way. It also helps pave the way for donations next year and return donors! You can also use your internal messaging vehicles, like email and internal websites to reach out and thank all who donated in various ways and remind people it is **NOT TOO LATE** to turn in pledge forms or [go online to donate](#) !

NEWS AND EVENTS

A special note to Agency Chairs and UW Chairs: *If you are a chairperson, you should have received a Volunteer Award Survey email at your work email address. Please take a moment to fill it out and return it. The survey is very short and should take less than a minute, if that! The Partners in Giving Administrative Board would like your feedback on the awards presented to volunteers and agencies/UW. Thank you!*

P.S. if you did not receive a survey and are a chair, please email Linda.Eggert@wisconsin.gov



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P.S. If you haven't seen it, please take time to click on this WISC-TV [NEWS 3 EDITORIAL!](#) It highlights the ongoing work of the Partners in Giving Campaign and the generosity of state, UW and UW Health employees. Feel free to share!

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