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The University City Education Foundation is Awarded a \$10,000 Grant to Help Feed Families during the COVID-19 Pandemic

University City, MO – The University City Education Foundation has been awarded a grant for \$10,000 to continue the work of addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant money comes from the COVID-19 Regional Response Fund, and was awarded by the St. Louis Community Foundation. The money will be used to help provide meals for students and their families during the summer months.

“The addition of this grant money comes at a critical time,” said Superintendent Sharonica Hardin-Bartley. “We are well on our way to our fundraising goal, which will allow us to feed some of our students and their families this summer.”

In early April, the decision was made to close buildings in the District for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. On April 17, the University City Education Foundation (UCEF) stepped in and launched their Meal Appeal campaign. Its goal is to provide weekly care packages with supplementary fresh produce, snacks and household essentials to about 100 families.

To date, the summer meal appeal has raised more than \$35,000 through individual community donations. With the addition of the \$10,000 grant from the St. Louis Community Foundation, the Summer Meal Appeal is more than two-thirds of the way to meeting its final fundraising goal of \$60,000.

A gift of \$50 can help support a family for one week during the 13-week summer break. Donations are welcome via this link: www.ucityschools.org/MealAppeal2020.

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On February 21, 1911, with a City population of only 2,417, The School District of University City was officially established. Classes began in September 1912 with a total school population of 769. Today, you will find outstanding educational programs serving a student population of approximately 2,800 with a preschool, four elementary schools, one middle school and one high school. In May 2019, University City High School held its 102nd formal Commencement ceremony.