

University Staff Council

The University Staff Council (USC) would like to invite you to commemorate Staff Appreciation Week from February 27 to March 3, 2017 by supporting the Texas A&M University Staff Emergency Fund (SEF). This coming week is the only Texas A&M event for which the purpose is to recognize and show appreciation to the more than 6,000 staff employees for their contributions to the mission of the University, and the Staff Emergency Fund is dedicated solely to providing assistance in time of need to Texas A&M University staff. By helping staff members help each other during times of economic hardship, we all benefit from a workforce that feels supported.

The fund launched almost a year ago and has provided over \$10,000 in financial assistance to staff since its inception! Our past donors have made it possible to provide support for families affected by weather events, like the tornado and flooding that occurred in Bryan/College Station last May, and has assisted families with medical emergencies and in times of loss and bereavement. While most of us think it won't ever happen to us, emergencies by nature are unexpected and can cause a tremendous financial and emotional burden.

This fund is supported solely by donations from Faculty, Staff and community members like yourself. We welcome all sizes of donations, even a \$5 monthly payroll deduction donation would help our fund become more sustainable and ensure funds are available to our staff when and if the need arises. By supporting the SEF, you help make a difference, when help is needed most.

Here's how to donate:

1. [Automatic payroll deduction](#) by enrolling in the Lead by Example campaign; use A&M Foundation code 996.
2. Online at <https://www.txamfoundation.com/give.aspx>
 - Select "TAMU Administration" then "Staff Emergency Fund"
3. Complete the [Foundation Pledge Form](#) and submit with a check to the "Texas A&M Foundation", indicating on the memo line "Staff Emergency Fund (05-73738)". (Note: *The Foundation assists the Fund with processing but is not affiliated with the Fund in any other way.*)

In addition, please consider supporting the Staff Emergency Fund by eating at select local restaurants during Staff Appreciation Week. These restaurants have agreed to donate a portion of their profits to the Staff Emergency Fund at the specified times. **Don't forget to tell your cashier you would like to include your receipt as part of the Staff Emergency Fund profit share.**

Monday, February 27	5:00 pm-8:00pm	Chick-Fil-a (1719 S. Texas Ave. and 4431 State Highway 6)
Tuesday, February 28	5:00 pm-8:00pm	Firehouse Subs (1507 S. Texas Ave.)
Wednesday, March 1	11:00 am-10:00pm	Grub Burger Bar (980 University Dr. E #400)
Thursday, March 2	1:00 pm-9:00pm	Spoons (2305 Boonville Rd., Suite 100)

Feel free to share this information with your neighbors and friends, anyone is welcome to donate to the fund and donations are tax deductible.

For more information about the SEF, visit our information table at the following Staff Appreciation Week Events:

Monday, February 27	3:00pm-5:00pm	Bethancourt Ballroom
Tuesday, February 28	12:00pm-2:30pm	East Quad, behind the Jack K. Williams Administration Building
Wednesday, March 1	2:00-5:00pm	Hall of Champions at Kyle Field

Please visit our web site at <http://u.tamu.edu/SEF>. If you have questions or need additional details, please email staffemergencyfund@tamu.edu and you will be contacted.

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