

Bits & Pieces

Your Winter, Spring, and Fall Newsletter from the
DPS Supplemental Benefits Program

ASSISTANCE FUND OF THE DENVER TEACHERS' CLUB / VOLUNTARY PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN

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The Supplemental Benefits Program:

ASSISTANCE FUND:

Free use of durable medical equipment for all current DPS employees, DPS retirees, and immediate family members. No membership fee. Funded by donations and yearly fundraisers.

VOLUNTARY PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN:

Supplemental sick pay of \$60 per days missed from work for employees of DPS due to personal illness or injury. This benefit is funded by active employees' monthly payroll deduction of \$10 per month.

PRESIDENTS' DAY – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2025 – The Denver Teachers' Club office will be closed.

SPRING BREAK 2024 – The Denver Teachers' Club will be closed Wednesday, March 26 through Friday, March 28, 2025 for DPS Spring Break. Monday March 24 and Tuesday March 25 of that week the building may be open. Call ahead for checking out or returning medical equipment to set an appointment with us. Be sure to plan your equipment requests with these closure dates in mind.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT - Call ahead to reserve or return your medical equipment. All entrances to the Acoma Campus are locked. As with most school districts throughout the nation, Denver Public Schools now requires that all outside doors be locked during school hours. This requirement includes the entrance to the Denver Teachers' Club offices. You will need to call our office at 303-377-0222 prior to visiting for any reason. If you stop by without calling ahead, you may be denied access.

SPRING RAFFLE 2025: Our annual Denver Teachers’ Club raffle will take place on **Thursday, April 17, 2025**. Tickets will be mailed to retirees in our database at the beginning of March. You will receive tickets and a remit envelope for returning ticket stubs with your check payment. Please fill out the remit envelope completely to save our volunteers time in processing.

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DO NOT COMBINE money for ticket purchases with money for a ‘memorial’ or ‘donation’ on one check. The Secretary of State requires a separate check for donations/memorials and a separate check for ticket purchases. Both checks may be included in your remit envelope you return to us with your ticket stubs.

If you combine your ticket purchases and an extra donation on one check for the raffle, we must treat all as a donation and your ticket stubs will not be used. Ticket purchases are a sale and not tax deductible; donations are tax deductible and posted in our newsletter.

Helping Hands Volunteers: If you would like to volunteer to help us open and sort our raffle mail this year, we would be happy to have your help. We couldn’t do it without our volunteers. We have a list of volunteers that we select from as needed, if you would like to be on our list call us and let us know.

**HONORARIUMS AND TRIBUTES WERE RECEIVED BY THE ASSISTANCE FUND
BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 2, 2024 AND JANUARY 31, 2025 AS FOLLOWS:**

- Tribute to **Cindy Rundstrom** – William French Smith, II
- Tribute to **Ron & Deloras Bott** – Nancy Roberts
- Tribute to **All DPS teachers**, past and present – Bonnie Guggenheim
- Tribute to **Dana Starbuck** – Teresa Mendenhall
- Tribute to **all music teachers** - Cheryl Saborsky
- Tribute to **Cindy Rundstrom**, in honor of leadership of DPSREA Foundation – Karen Ritz
- Tribute to **all DPS teachers** past and present – Bill Smith

**DONATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE ASSISTANCE FUND BETWEEN
SEPTEMBER 2, 2024 AND JANUARY 31, 2025 AS FOLLOWS:**

Annie Ash	Deborah Carney	Jesse Gonzales	Barbara Hessel
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SEPTEMBER 2, 2024 AND JANUARY 31, 2025 AS FOLLOWS:**

(In Memory of:
Name of Donor)

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Jacqueline Aymami

Antonia Yancey
Sue Gosman

IN MEMORY

Bastron, Thais A.....11/03/24
 Bryant, Evelyn C.....05/21/24
 Cox, James M07/11/23
 Criss, Shirley A.....??????
 Daly, Keith M11/30/19
 Dore, Doris L09/25/23
 Dugue, Yvonne B11/02/24
 Esquibel, Emilio A.....06/27/24
 Flesner, Dennis V05/08/17
 Green, Cecilia M.....01/04/25
 Gruenler, Henriette S.....09/15/24
 Hammond, Dorothy L??????

Holeman, Ione S10/26/24
 Hoot, Sheryl Lynn.....11/19/24
 Hunt, George D02/27/24
 Kos, Dennis S04/19/23
 Lindenbaum, Faye02/10/25
 Martinez, Robert A9/7/2024
 Morrison Jr Marjorie09/16/24
 Onodera, Joan S08/30/16
 Ray, Jesse F01/01/22
 Thomas, Joan M06/24/23
 Thomas, William P02/22/20
 Whelan, Patricia A.....03/19/24

Denver Teachers' Club Assistance Fund Donation Form

1617 S. Acoma Street, Denver, CO 80223

Phone: 303-377-0222

Thank you for your contribution to Denver Teachers' Club Assistance Fund. Your support helps to ensure our ability to continue providing the services you and your family members are accustomed to receiving. Ever vigilant in our efforts to provide you with the latest, most innovative medical equipment, your contributions will also help us to expand our services as appropriate in the expensive and ever-changing arena of medical care provision. Please complete this form to your specifications, and mail it along with your contribution to the address above.

Donor Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

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My check no. _____ in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

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In order to comply with IRS Code Section 170(f)(8), we will provide you with a receipt mailed to the address you have supplied above, which affirms that the Denver Teachers' Club provided no goods or services in consideration, in whole or in part, for your contribution.

RETIREES: To continue to assist you with borrowing medical equipment free of charge from the Denver Teachers Club Assistance Fund and to receive our newsletters and information for our retirees, keep us informed of any changes to your contact information so we can update our retiree database.

DPS EMPLOYEES - PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN for 2024–2025 – additional sick pay of \$60 per day is provided for active DPS employees through our employee-funded plan. Claim forms are available on our website or by contacting our office. If not a member, check out this benefit when enrolling in your other employee benefits offered to you during your Open Enrollment period, or call the Denver Teachers Club to ask about enrollment during the school year.

“Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes.” – Jim Carrey

LINKS: Our web site: www.dpssbp.org

Please see our new website for all of our forms, including:

Assistance Fund Donation Form

Payroll Protection Plan Application / Payroll Protection Plan Rules & Regulations

Retiree Continuation Data Form and Changes in Contact Information
