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## United Way of MPM Invests in Student Success

Zanesville, Ohio March 8, 2021 – United Way of Muskingum, Perry, and Morgan Counties (MPM) awarded Zane State College an additional 5,000 for the Emergency Grant Program. The Emergency Grant Program provides small grants to Zane State students who face unexpected financial hardships, preventing students from finishing a college education. United Way presented Zane State College with a \$5,000 check on Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the Zane State College campus.

Dr. Elizabeth Kline, Zane State College Chief Student Affairs Officer said, “We appreciate the United Way for supporting our students. This funding helps provide one-time assistance to prevent these types of emergencies for derailing students’ long-term educational goals.”

United Way has provided funding for the Emergency Grant Program for over three years. This year United Way as awarded Zane State College a total of \$12,000, to assist college students. In 2020, the Emergency Grant Program allowed students to continue higher education by approving sixteen students with financial assistance for unexpected financial hardships.

United Way has three community goals: education, health, and financial stability. United Way funds programs that are working towards the same goals.

A student at Zane State College can apply for the Emergency Grant Program and receive up to \$500 to cover a financial hardship. For more information about the Emergency Grant Program, please contact Kisha King at 740-588-1321 or [kking1@zanestate.edu](mailto:kking1@zanestate.edu).

United Way designed the Community Impact Fund as an open funding cycle designed to quickly respond to emerging needs of the community. Interested organizations should contact Katie Grubbs, Community Impact Coordinator for United Way of Muskingum, Perry, and Morgan Counties, at 740-454-6872 or [kgrubbs@unitedwayofmpm.org](mailto:kgrubbs@unitedwayofmpm.org).

United Way of Muskingum, Perry, and Morgan Counties is a local 501(c) (3) health and human services organization which fights for the health, education, and financial stability of every person in every community. For more information about United Way of Muskingum, Perry, and Morgan Counties including how to make a contribution, please log on to their website, [unitedwayofmpm.org](http://unitedwayofmpm.org).

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