

Stockton Unified School District District Partnership Program Press Release

**Stockton Unified School District and National nonprofit DonorsChoose.org Announce New
Partnership**

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Stockton, CA Sept. 26, 2019 – Stockton Unified School District announced today a new partnership with the national nonprofit DonorsChoose.org to help teachers tap into a network of 3.5 million donors to support classroom projects and more seamlessly align with district strategy and operations.

Teachers in Stockton Unified School District have raised \$500,000 and completed over 800 projects on DonorsChoose.org. These projects vary from books to laptops and other tools to enhance the learning environment and support student success.

Stockton quote: “Our district is committed to ensuring all students graduate college, career, and community ready. Our hope is that our partnership with DonorsChoose.org will serve as a mechanism for fostering additional support for high quality first instruction”.

As a member of the DonorsChoose.org District Partnership Program, Stockton Unified School District will be able to fully support teachers in the use of the platform, ensure safety and security, and align efforts with the district’s strategic priorities. Stockton Unified School District will be able to monitor all donated materials, principals will be notified each time a project is funded, and receive early notification when there are new “match” funding opportunities.

“We’re thrilled to have Stockton Unified School District as an inaugural member of the DonorsChoose.org District Partnership Program,” said Charles Best, founder and CEO of DonorsChoose.org. “Through the hard work and innovation of Stockton Unified School District teachers and administrators, the district has raised \$500,000 towards classroom materials from donors across the country. I can’t wait to see how the DonorsChoose.org community can support these educators even more through our partnership.”

Stockton Unified School District (SUSD) began providing services to students in 1852 and is located in the heart of California's Central Valley near the banks of the San Joaquin River. SUSD is the 17th largest school district in California, whereby 38,000 PK-12th grade students come to us to experience an academic journey that leads to high school graduation and success in college, careers, and as actively-engaged community members. The District also serves a number of adults through our Stockton School For Adults. SUSD is made up of thirty-seven Head Start classes, fifty-three state preschool classes, three First 5 preschool classes, forty-one K-8 schools, four comprehensive high schools, three small high schools, an alternative high school, a special education school, a school for adults, and five dependent charter schools. Our district mission is to graduate every single youth college, career, and community ready. In doing so with lift youth out of circumstances of poverty and scarcity.

About DonorsChoose.org

Founded in 2000 by a Bronx history teacher, DonorsChoose.org has raised over \$875 million for America's classrooms. Teachers come to DonorsChoose.org to request the materials and experiences they need most for their classrooms, and donors give to the projects that inspire them. To date, 3.9 million people and partners have funded 1.5 million projects on the site, reaching 35 million students and making DonorsChoose.org the leading platform for supporting U.S. public schools. DonorsChoose.org is the only crowdfunding platform that vets each request, delivers materials directly to schools, and captures the impact of every funded project with photos, thank-you's, and a cost report showing how each dollar was spent. In 2014, DonorsChoose.org made the top 10 of [Fast Company's list of the World's Most Innovative Companies](#), the first time a charity has received such recognition. For more information, visit www.DonorsChoose.org.

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