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United Way's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stuff the Bus Event Set for July 11

**Manitowoc, Wisconsin (June 16, 2023)** United Way Manitowoc County is partnering with Brandt Buses, Inc. and Walmart Manitowoc on Tuesday, July 11, 1:30-5:30pm for United Way's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stuff the Bus event.

In support of area schools' community closets, United Way is collecting essential supplies for youth. Examples of needed items include toiletries, clothing, gift cards, non-perishable snacks, gloves/mittens, socks, etc. For the full list of schools and items, visit unitedwaymanitowoccounty.org.

"KAN Cool for School and other organizations do an amazing job getting traditional school supplies into students' hands every year. In our conversations with area school districts, we saw a need for basic personal items," stated Ashley Bender, United Way Manitowoc County Executive Director. "Identifying and working to fill gaps like this aligns perfectly with our Basic Needs initiative."

Donations should be dropped off by the bus in Walmart's parking lot at 4115 Calumet Avenue, Manitowoc. Shop that day or beforehand and simply drop off your donations the day of the event.

Staff and volunteers will sort and deliver the donations to schools across Manitowoc County following the event. United Way is recruiting two more volunteers to sort the supplies on Wednesday, July 12, 9:00-11:00am. If interested, please contact Laura Drida at (920) 682-8888 or laura@unitedwaymanitowoccounty.org.

Please contact United Way's office at (920) 682-8888 if you have any questions.

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