2020 Special Labor Day Collection!

Help Students who are Homeless in the MMSD Transition Education Program (TEP)

This is your chance to make sure they get a great start to the new school year!

Donated items are always needed but we, the Community Services Committee of the South Central Federation of Labor, would like to make a special effort in conjunction with Labor Day.

Please help out if/as possible. We understand that there are many requests of your resources but hopefully a little bit from everyone will add up! All of the items requested are in great need and will help students whose families are homeless or in unstable housing at this time.

As you might imagine, there are a number of items needed for students in TEP. Featured below are some of the needs of the program.

- gift cards of all sorts - Metro Market, Regent Market Co-Op, Willy Street Co-Op, Saint Vincent de Paul, Kwik Trip, Target, Culver's, other places to eat, …
- personal safety/hygiene items - hand sanitizers (wipes and pumps) and face masks in youth and adult sizes
- basic school supplies - glue sticks, flash cards of any kind, NON-permanent/washable markers (skinny ones), colored pencils, pocket folders, composition books, …

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and current restrictions here in Dane County, arrangements will need to be made IN ADVANCE with AFL-CIO Community Services Liaison Ann McNeary for delivery/drop off/pick up of donations. Contact her at either labor@uwdc.org or 608-246-4355. Any questions about the collection should be directed to her.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation to TEP, please go thru the Foundation for Madison's Public Schools at https://fmps.org/donate/transition-education-program-fund/. Do enter LaborFest '20 and your Union Local, if applicable, in the NOTES field in the online form.

On Monday, September 7th - which is Labor Day - we will not be able to do our traditional collection (since LaborFest is being cancelled this year). But we're hoping that Union members and Locals in the area will still participate as they have in the past. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!