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## Wright-Patt Credit Union and Dayton Crayons to Classrooms Help Students Affected by Tornadoes

Beavercreek, Ohio – Wright-Patt Credit Union (WPCU) and Dayton Crayons to Classrooms (DC2C) have partnered to create a Tornado Relief School Supply Drive to help students and teachers impacted by the Miami Valley Memorial Day tornadoes. With an estimated 10,000 students across the Miami Valley affected, WPCU and DC2C are committed to making life a little easier for the families juggling back-to-school expenses with tornado recovery efforts.

"For many families, recovery is going to be a long-term process and that means coming together as a community to provide long-term support," said Tracy Szarzi-Fors, WPCU's Vice President of Marketing and Business Development. "WPCU continues to help our friends and neighbors through our Disaster Relief Assistance Programs, but even something as simple as a backpack full of crayons, pencils, markers, and other basic items can help bring a sense of normalcy to a child whose life has been turned upside down."

Those interested in donating school supplies or monetary gifts can stop by participating WPCU Member Centers or the WPCU Beavercreek Corporate Office now through August 16<sup>th</sup>.

Requested School Supplies (Please drop off no later than August 16th):

- Crayons 24 count
- Colored Pencils
- #2 Pencils
- Glue Sticks
- Lined Filler Paper
- Construction Paper

- Pocket Folders
- Scissors
- Rulers
- Markers 10 count
- One-subject Notebooks
- Facial Tissue

## About Wright-Patt Credit Union

Established in 1932, Wright-Patt Credit Union is a member-owned, not-for-profit financial cooperative proudly serving Central and Southwest Ohio with more than 385,000 members and \$4.7 billion in assets. As a cooperative, Wright-Patt Credit Union joins members together, pooling financial resources to meet the needs of all. The pooled resources provide the capital to run a strong and efficient operation. Wright-Patt Credit Union is headquartered in Beavercreek, Ohio, and has convenient Member Centers throughout Central and Southwest Ohio. Wright-Patt Credit Union's mission is to help people through life by allowing members to achieve a greater degree of economic independence. Visit Wright-Patt Credit Union's website at www.wpcu.coop for more information.



## **About Crayons to Classrooms**

Dayton Crayons to Classrooms (DC2C) is a free store for teachers from under-funded preK-12 schools that serve students living in poverty. In partnership with local businesses, individual donors, and community volunteers, DC2C lifts at-risk student's level and love of learning by collecting and distributing donated supplies and surplus products for use in the classroom. Teachers from eligible schools are invited to "shop" for what they need in our retail-style free store in a Goodwill Easter Seals Miami Valley building in Dayton, Ohio. Crayons to Classrooms' service area encompasses Clark, Darke, Greene, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, and Warren (Franklin City Schools and Springboro City Schools) counties.