Boeing Employees Pledge $2.2 Million for St. Louis Charities

Boeing employees in St. Louis have raised more than $2.2 million through their annual Employees Community Fund (ECF) campaign for St. Louis-area charitable organizations, exceeding this year's $2 million goal. The drive began April 30 and concluded May 11.

Employee-owned and employee-managed, the Boeing ECF provides funds for activities that address six areas of social concern: health, human and social services, education, youth, civic and cultural, and the environment. Last year, the Boeing St. Louis ECF distributed more than $2.1 million in grants to more than 185 area non-profit organizations.

"Boeing employees can take pride in knowing that every dollar contributed through this year's campaign will stay in the St. Louis area and will benefit local nonprofits that do so much to meet needs and enrich our communities," said Norma Clayton, vice president, Quality, Boeing Military Aircraft and Missle Systems, who served as the ECF campaign site director.

The ECF is a charitable tradition that began in 1947. James S. McDonnell, founder of McDonnell Aircraft, started the payroll deduction plan as an easy, effective way to support charitable organizations in communities where employees live and work. Donations stay in the St. Louis metropolitan area, with the exception of those contributions from employees who live outside the area.

The Boeing ECF is the largest employee-owned and -managed charitable organization in the world.

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