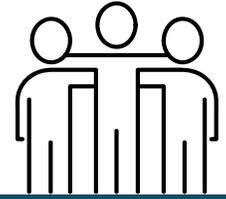


UNITING THE CHURCH. TRANSFORMING THE CITY.



Unite's mission is to inform, connect, and equip churches and their partners to care for their people and communities. We believe this is part of the redeeming and restoring work God is planning in advance for us to do, so we've been building partnerships and amassing the right tools to make that happen.

Coming Alongside Public School Families and Staff

With Sarah Bogaert, Director of Community Activation,
from United to Learn

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- **Returning to the school year after recovering from COVID has not been as certain as many schools hoped.**
 - o Staff burnout is at an all-time high
 - o It is now more difficult to find substitutes
 - o There is a huge learning gap in math and literacy
- **Student and staff achievement in DISD is greatly impacted by their home life:**
 - o Our research shows that over 1 in 4 children lives in a family that's been worried about not having enough to eat in the last year.
 - o 22% of all DFW renters are worried about their ability to pay rent, and about 40% are suffering from acute emotional distress.



HOW TO SUPPORT A SCHOOL

- Supplying relief to students and teachers and knowing they have support greatly helps their work, productivity, and livelihood.
- Visit our website at unite-dfw.org and click the "GIVE HELP" button if you are looking to give help by volunteering, donating, or getting trained to help others.
- Visit United to Learn's [volunteer opportunities](#) hub on VOMO for various ways to support schools
- Other ways to give help to a school:
 - o [Donate to the Under/Over Drive](#) - this is a coat drive to support students at our United to Learn schools with coats, gloves, socks, etc.
 - o The **easiest and most urgent** way to support a school is through teacher appreciation.
 - For example, giving a gift, meal, or lightening their burden through tutoring or reading support

HOW TO GET HELP

- If you or a loved one needs help with this issue, [HelpFinder](#) is also a great way to find resources and get help.
 - o You can click the link above, or access Helpfinder via the "GET HELP" button on unite-dfw.org
- To talk to a trained call center operator who can help you navigate your situation, just **dial 2-1-1 on your phone.**

If you have any questions or would like more specific information on how to get involved, please contact jonathan@unitethechurch.org or rebecca@unitethechurch.org