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## Gulf Coast Educators FCU Employees Donate Over \$200k to School & Local Charities



Gulf Coast Educators FCU employees presenting a check to the Pasadena Police Department for their annual toy drive.

Pasadena, Tx: During the 2020-year, Gulf Coast Educators Federal Credit Union and their employees were able to donate over \$200k to education and local charities in need. Every year the credit union donates thousands of dollars to school districts in form of donations, classroom grants, teaching awards, and scholarships.

In addition, many of Gulf Coast Educators FCU's employees participate in the credit union's Employee Giving Program. The employees elect to donate a portion of their paycheck every month, and these funds go towards charities in the greater Houston area. In return for their generosity, GCEFCU allows the participating employees to wear jeans on select days. In 2020 the credit union had 140 employees participating in the program.

### 2020 Gulf Coast Educators FCU Donations:

Donations to Education Foundations: \$99,252.81  
Donations to Schools & Education: \$67,457.48  
Classroom Grants & Teacher Awards: \$8,000.00  
Scholarships: \$14,500.00



**2020 Gulf Coast Educators FCU Employee Donations:**

UHCL's Center for Autism & Developmental Disabilities: \$1,000.00  
Children's Hospital Network: \$500.00  
Pasadena ISD's Komen Team: \$1,000.00  
Pasadena Police Toy Drive: \$1,500.00  
League City Police Toy Drive: \$1,500.00  
Pearland Police Toy Drive: \$1,500.00  
Baytown Police Toy Drive: \$1,500.00  
Humble Police Toy Drive: \$1,500.00  
Galveston Food Bank: \$750.00  
Pasadena Food Bank: \$1,000.00  
Pearland Food Bank: \$750.00  
Channelview ISD Christmas: \$1,000.00  
Deer Park ISD Christmas: \$1,000.00  
La Porte ISD Christmas: \$1,000.00

"We believe that education is the smartest investment one can choose to make. These donations will give our educators the tools and resources they need to be successful, which in return will benefit our community as a whole," explained Linda Lukaszewski, CEO of GCEFCU. "We are proud of the members we serve, and we know that they make a difference in the classroom."

A total of \$189,210.29 was donated by Gulf Coast Educators FCU and \$15,500 by their employees. A grand total of \$204,710.29 was donated by the credit union and its employees during the 2020 year.

About Gulf Coast Educators FCU: Since 1948, eleven Pasadena ISD educators got together and formed what today remains a credit union dedicated to serving the financial needs of school employees in the state of Texas. The credit union offers its member-owners a full line of banking services but through a cooperative ownership structure. To learn more about the credit union, visit [www.gcefcu.org](http://www.gcefcu.org).