



UNITED WAY OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS KICKS OFF SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM TO SUPPORT HEALTHY, HAPPY SUMMERS FOR NORTH TEXAS CHILDREN

Family-friendly event brings community together to expand access to meals, resources and fun

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DALLAS (JUNE 10, 2026) – [United Way of Metropolitan Dallas](#) is bringing the community together to celebrate the start of summer and ensure children across North Texas have access to the meals and resources they need to thrive. On Wednesday, June 10, 2026, the organization will host its annual Summer Meals Kickoff from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Albert C. Black Jr. STEAM Academy (4200 Bonnie View Road, Dallas), welcoming families, volunteers and partners for a morning of food, fun and connection.

Made possible through the support of dedicated corporate partners—including Aspire United Volunteer Series Sponsor Texas Instruments and event sponsors DN Tanks, PepsiCo Foundation, Rocket Mortgage and Vistra —the Summer Meals Kickoff brings critical resources directly to families while mobilizing volunteers to make a hands-on impact.

This high-energy, family-friendly event connects the community with resources for accessing healthy meals when school is out of session. Open to the public, the event will feature free meals provided by Dallas ISD Food and Nutrition Services, along with free groceries, snow cones, games, crafts, inflatables and music. Activities will focus on food access, nutrition education, physical activity and overall healthy living.

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas supports food access initiatives and advocacy efforts across North Texas, working to ensure that every child has consistent access to nutritious meals year-round. During the summer months, when school-based meal programs are unavailable, this work becomes even more essential for families who rely on federal nutrition assistance during the school year. Through partnerships with local providers, United Way expands resources, raises awareness and strengthens community-wide efforts to combat childhood hunger.

“Summer should be a time for kids to grow, play and thrive—not worry about where their next meal will come from,” said Jennifer Sampson, McDermott-Templeton president and CEO of United Way of Metropolitan Dallas. “The Summer Meals Kickoff is an opportunity for our community to come together to support families, raise awareness about available resources, and ensure no child in North Texas goes hungry.”

About United Way of Metropolitan Dallas

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas is a social change organization that unites the community to create access and opportunity for all North Texans to thrive. We bring together passionate change-makers alongside corporate, civic and nonprofit partners to drive lasting change and equity in education, income and health – the building blocks of opportunity. United Way is committed to leading a fully inclusive, multicultural movement right here at home. We invite all North Texans to Live United and be part of this change. To give, advocate or volunteer, visit UnitedWayDallas.org.

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