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GIVING DAY



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Ambassador Toolkit

GIVING DAY AMBASSADOR TOOLKIT



Your Comprehensive Communications Guide

Giving Day is a 24-hour challenge to increase giving and engagement throughout the Wayne State University community. Volunteers like you, who give and encourage others to do the same, are critical to the success of Giving Day. With your involvement as a Giving Day Ambassador — inspiring other loyal and caring alumni, families, employees and friends — we know we can reach our Giving Day goal of 900 donors. Thank you for supporting Wayne State’s mission and our students, faculty and programs.

This toolkit provides:

- [Essential information](#) about Giving Day.
- A [communications timeline](#) for engaging your friends and colleagues.
- Sample text that you can copy and paste into [social media posts and email messages](#).



GIVING DAY ESSENTIALS



Reference this essential information throughout the Giving Day campaign.

Giving Day 2020

Giving Day takes place Thursday, September 17, from midnight to midnight. This is Wayne State's fourth annual Giving Day and the goal is 900 donors.

Giving Day Website

givingday.wayne.edu

Giving Day Social Media Headquarters

The Wayne State University Alumni Association (WSUAA) is your primary resource for Giving Day social media activity. We encourage you to directly copy or draw from the sample posts and emails in this toolkit. While other Wayne State social media channels will post about Giving Day, **@waynestatealum** is where everything happens. Follow us now and share!

facebook.com/waynestatealum

twitter.com/waynestatealum

instagram.com/waynestatealum

Giving Day Hashtags

#GiveGreenBeGold #WSUGivingDay

If you're personalizing your messages, be sure to include the #GiveGreenBeGold and #WSUGivingDay hashtags.

Questions?

If you have questions about Giving Day, please contact Courtney Durham, Annual Giving Officer, at 313-577-0486 or givingday@wayne.edu.

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COMMUNICATIONS

TIMELINE

Today

1. Familiarize yourself with the communication timeline and the social media sample posts.
2. Follow WSUAA on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram (@waynestatealum).

September 3

1. Announce that Giving Day is happening on September 17. You can use the sample pre-event social media posts provided in this toolkit, create your own social media post using the sample posts as a guide, or share the WSUAA's posts from their Facebook and Twitter accounts.
2. Email your friends and networks using the sample email messages we've provided as a guide. Ask them to join you in making a gift on WSU Giving Day.

September 9

1. Download the social media Giving Day images at alumni.wayne.edu/givingdaytoolkit, and change your Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram profile pictures and cover photos.
2. Using the pre-event post samples as a guide, make a post letting your followers know about Giving Day on September 17.
3. Share the official Giving Day event from WSUAA social media (@waynestatealum).

September 17: Giving Day

1. Make your gift at givingday.wayne.edu. If you've already made a gift this year, thank you! By making an additional gift of any size on September 17, you can help us secure essential funding for what you love most about Wayne State.
2. Post on social media throughout the day, using the #GiveGreenBeGold and #WSUGivingDay hashtags and our sample day-of-event social media posts as a guide. For example, you can copy and paste from our samples, or you can post your own WSU giving story on Facebook, post a selfie on Instagram using #GiveGreenBeGold, etc. Don't forget to share social media posts from @waynestatealum social media accounts.
3. Tag your friends, and encourage them to make a gift on Giving Day. If you know someone who made a gift on Giving Day, you can thank them on social media.

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If you haven't thanked your followers for participating, don't wait! You can use the post-event social media samples verbatim or as guides. We couldn't have done it without them!

GIVING DAY SOCIAL MEDIA



Twitter: Sample Tweets

PRE-EVENT SAMPLE

Wayne State Giving Day is September 17. Together, we can make a difference. Can we count you in? givingday.wayne.edu #GiveGreenBeGold

DAY-OF-EVENT SAMPLES

Today is #WSUGivingDay! Wayne State students, patients and employees who need your support. Infinite impact. Together, we can #GiveGreenBeGold at givingday.wayne.edu

My support on Wayne State Giving Day shows what being a Warrior means to me. Join me and #GiveGreenBeGold at givingday.wayne.edu

My time at @waynestateuniversity changed my life. On Wayne State Giving Day, I can help to change someone else's life. Will you join me? #GiveGreenBeGold at givingday.wayne.edu

Make your gift on #WSUGivingDay and support what you love most about @waynestateuniversity! givingday.wayne.edu #GiveGreenBeGold

I made a gift at givingday.wayne.edu on Wayne State Giving Day. Did you? Together we can make a huge difference. Can we count you in? #GiveGreenBeGold

It's possible to make a difference in just one day. Join me in making a gift on Wayne State Giving Day at givingday.wayne.edu #GiveGreenBeGold

24 hours. One challenge. Together, we can make a difference on Wayne State Giving Day. Make your gift today at givingday.wayne.edu #GiveGreenBeGold #WSUGivingDay

POST-EVENT SAMPLE

Thank you to everyone who made Wayne State Giving Day a success. We proved that together we can #GiveGreenBeGold and make a great impact! givingday.wayne.edu

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Facebook: Sample Posts

PRE-EVENT SAMPLE

On September 17, members of the Wayne State community will join together on Giving Day for an extraordinary giving campaign. Together – in just one day – we can make a huge impact for Wayne State students and programs and reach our #WSUGivingDay goal of 900 donors! Mark your calendar for September 17 to #GiveGreenBeGold and make your gift at givingday.wayne.edu.

DAY-OF-EVENT SAMPLES

I gave to _____. Will you join me in supporting the students, faculty and staff that rely on your generosity? #GiveGreenBeGold and support #WSUGivingDay at givingday.wayne.edu.

I just made my gift on #WSUGivingDay. Wayne State is special to me because _____. And I want current students to have the same experience. Support what you love most about Wayne State by making your gift on Giving Day at givingday.wayne.edu. #GiveGreenBeGold

Show your Warrior Pride today on #WSUGivingDay and help to change someone's life. I made my gift at givingday.wayne.edu. Together, in only 24 hours, we can make a big impact. Will you join me? #GiveGreenBeGold

POST-EVENT SAMPLE

Thank you to everyone who made Wayne State Giving Day a success! Your generosity provided valuable support for so many Wayne State people and programs.

GIVING DAY SOCIAL MEDIA



Instagram: Post idea

Post a selfie on Instagram — if you pose with Wayne State gear and swag, all the better! Use the campaign's official hashtags — #GiveGreenBeGold and #WSUGivingDay — and encourage others to support Wayne State Giving Day at givingday.wayne.edu (and to spread the word).

LinkedIn: Sample Updates

PRE-EVENT SAMPLE

On September 17, join me in supporting the WSU students, research, programs and community that rely on external support every day. #GiveGreenBeGold and make your gift at givingday.wayne.edu.

DAY-OF-EVENT SAMPLES

I just made my gift on Wayne State Giving Day! WSU is special to me because _____, and I want to help current students have the same experience. Join me, and make your gift today at givingday.wayne.edu. #WSUGivingDay #GiveGreenBeGold

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SAMPLE EMAILS



September 3

Subject Line: WSU Giving Day: Together, we can!

Dear _____:

On September 17, the WSU community will come together on Giving Day for an extraordinary event that impacts Wayne State. The goal is simple: To inspire people to demonstrate their Warrior pride and provide essential funding for students and critical programs.

I am asking you to help by marking your calendar and making a gift at givingday.wayne.edu on September 17.

Together, we can reach our goal of 900 donors and make an impact that will be felt by the students Wayne State educates, the communities Wayne State serves — and the faculty and staff members that dedicate their careers to improving Detroit. Can we count you in?

September 17

Subject Line: Today is Wayne State Giving Day

Dear _____:

Today is Wayne State Giving Day! Please join me and so many others—*today* — in supporting WSU students, faculty and staff. Visit givingday.wayne.edu and make a gift that's meaningful to you. And join in the social media conversation throughout the day!

Wayne State played an important role in my life and continues to do so for thousands of students every year. Together, we can make an impact that will be felt for years to come.

Thank you for joining me in this important and annual effort!

GIVING DAY *SAMPLE EMAILS*



September 18

Subject Line: Thank You!

Dear _____:

Thank you for supporting Wayne State Giving Day. We said, "Together, we can," and together, we did! Please visit givingday.wayne.edu to see for yourself how gifts of all sizes provided valuable dollars for so many critical and meaningful programs.

The success of this annual endeavor would not have been possible without your support.