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## Intek Plastics Has High Participation for Employee Giving

**(HASTINGS, MN)** Intek Plastics, Inc., experienced a high participation by its employees during the Intek Plastics and United Way of Hastings (UWH) annual giving campaign. Intek Plastics has headquarters in Hastings, MN.

Employees at Intek Plastics are a good example of community members coming together to support the greater good . . . and have fun at the same time. Employees participated in several events such as penny wars, jeans day, and grilling out. Many employees chose to impact student hunger by donating 1,152 food items for the UWH's weekend student food program, Food4Kids. In addition, donations and pledges rose to over \$9,000 this year, an approximate \$3,000 increase from last year. Intek Plastics staff recently presented UWH with a check for \$9,046.

"The leadership and employees at Intek Plastics have been long-time supporters of the UWH and this year was a remarkable year of generosity," said Mari E. Mellick, CAE, Executive Director. "Talking with employees and giving examples of how each of them can help others live better lives really resonates with people. By giving through payroll deductions, it's easy and tax deductible, and giving a little each check adds up by the end of the year."

Each shift of employees at Intek Plastics learned about UWH – who the organization is, what it does, and where the funding goes. Donors learned that their donations stay local, in the area where they work and/or live.

The annual giving campaign for UWH officially ends on December 31. While many United Ways have experienced a decrease in workplace giving over the last few years, UWH hopes that giving will be strong through the last day of the year. It's not too late to have your business contribute. If you would like to offer employee giving and see the benefits that giving back provides to your business, contact Mari Mellick at 651-438-3337.

The UWH is an independent United Way that has worked for over 50 years serving Hastings and the surrounding rural communities within Independent School District #200. Its mission is to build partnerships to improve the lives of people in our community. Donations are accepted year-round. For more information about the UWH and the agencies it funds, visit www.unitedwayofhastings.org.