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**Donate It to a Good Cause
at *Donation Zone*
Donate Your Car, Truck, Boat or
Other Power Equipment to Benefit Others**

(HASTINGS, MN) The United Way of Hastings (UWH) offers a new way to give and benefit the community – Donate It to a Good Cause at the *Donation Zone*. Donate your car, truck, boat or other power equipment to a good cause at UWH and receive a tax donation.

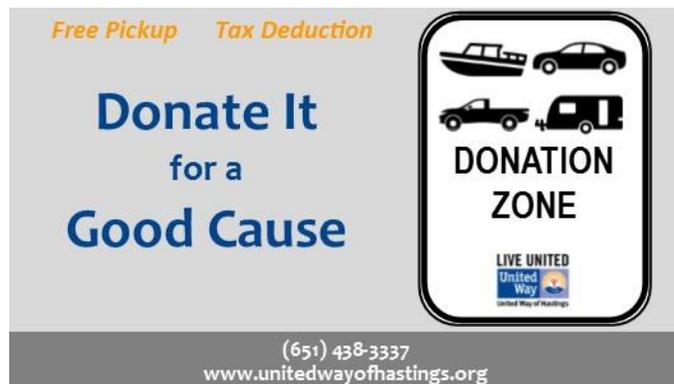
Donation Zone is a unique way for people to donate items they no longer use and make a generous gift to benefit the Hastings area community. By contacting *Donation Zone* at UWH, a pick-up date of the donated item will be scheduled within 48 hours. If the item can be sold, the donor can look to claim a tax deduction. Proceeds from the sale of the donated item can be claimed as a tax deduction. All legal transfers of ownership will be completed. UWH will provide the donor with receipts and any necessary tax documentation.

“Thanks to a partnership with Cranky Ape, an online auction service located in Hastings, United Way of Hastings is now able to accept donations of vehicles and other equipment via the *Donation Zone*,” said Mari E. Mellick, CAE, Executive Director. “Proceeds from the sale of the equipment go directly to impacting the community through services provided by UWH and by UWH Funded Partner Agencies,” said Mellick.

The three-step process makes it simple for donors:

1. Call *Donation Zone* at the UWH at (651) 438-3337.
2. UWH handles the free pickup and paperwork.
3. Claim your tax deduction.

“With spring upon us, now is the perfect time to clean out that garage or shop and easily get rid of items that you don’t use and benefit others along the way,” said Mellick. “Plus, there is a free pickup and the donor gets a tax deduction.” A variety of items can be donated such as cars, trucks, boats/pontoons, campers/RVs, motorcycles, ATVs, snowmobiles, jet skis, trailers. For complete details, visit www.unitedwayofhastings.org or call 651-438-3337.



UWH is building a better Hastings by impacting those with disabilities, schoolchildren that are hungry, youth that need a web of support, the elderly in need of household help, and many more people every day. To learn who is impacted in the community by a donation through the *Donation Zone*, visit www.unitedwayofhastings.org.

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. That is done via community impact initiatives in the areas of Education, Health, and Financial Empowerment with a special emphasis on Youth. Donations are accepted year-round. For more information about the UWH and the agencies it funds, visit www.unitedwayofhastings.org.

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