

Application for Matching Gift

Purpose of the program:

The DTE Energy Foundation is dedicated to supporting programs that strengthen the fabric of our communities by developing the potential of their residents, institutions and infrastructure. This support includes educational and cultural organizations that play an important role in improving the quality of life in the communities we serve. These vital organizations depend on voluntary financial donations.

Because of this, the DTE Energy Foundation encourages employees to contribute to these groups and demonstrates its support by matching personal financial gifts.

Here's How it Works:

- The DTE Energy Foundation will match dollar-for-dollar, tax-deductible gifts of \$25 or more to a combined total of \$5,000 per donor in a calendar year.
- Gifts must be in cash, by check, by credit card, or in securities having a quoted market value on the date made. Gifts must be paid and not merely pledged.
- Gifts may be made by current payment from a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) donor advised fund if the fund has been funded solely by an eligible participant.

To apply: Complete **Part 1** of the attached form after you have carefully read the criteria below. Send the entire form, along with your gift to the beneficiary.

The beneficiary should verify receipt of your gift, complete **Part 2** Two of the form, and return the entire form to:

Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan
Matching Gift Program
333 West Fort Street, Ste. 2010
Detroit, MI 48226
email: dtmatching@cfsem.org

Eligible requests are processed and granted to organizations on the following quarterly schedule:

Received by:	April 1	July 1	October 1	January 1
Processed by:	April 30	July 31	October 31	January 31

Who Can Participate?

All full-time, active employees of DTE Energy, retirees, and members of the Board of Directors of DTE Energy or any of its subsidiaries are eligible to apply.

What Organizations Are Eligible?

To be eligible to receive a DTE Energy Foundation gift, an organization must be a higher educational institution or cultural organization as defined below, and must be able to prove that it is recognized as exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a)(1),(2), or (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Eligible Educational Organizations

Eligible educational organizations include:

- Any non-profit, fully accredited two-or four-year college or university in Michigan.
- Any two-or four-year college or university in the United States attended by the donor for at least one year which is accredited by one of the six regional associations of schools and colleges or approved by a nationally recognized accrediting agency.
- Tax-exempt funds, foundations, or state/national associations whose sole purpose is to collect and transmit contributions directly to institutions that individually are eligible under the program (e.g., United Negro College Fund).

Note: All of the above must be recognized by the IRS as institutions to which contributions are deductible for Federal Income Tax purposes.

Eligible Cultural Organizations

Eligible cultural organizations must be located in Michigan, be professionally managed, and opened to or operated for the benefit of the public. These include:

- Arts councils and united arts societies;
- Botanical and zoological societies;
- Historic preservation/restoration societies or funds;
- Museums of art, history and science;
- Performing arts companies (dance, drama, opera, music);
- Public libraries
- Public radio and television stations

Ineligible Gifts

- Gifts given by a third party, except tax-exempt 501(c)(3) donor advised funds that have been solely funded by an eligible participant;
- Pooled gifts of others;
- Gifts to support religious activities, including church pledges, tithes, or related commitments;
- Bequests, life income trusts, insurance premiums or similar payments;
- Gifts to educational institutions for athletic programs;
- Payments in lieu of tuition or other student expenses;
- Personal membership dues;
- Personal or real property, in-kind gifts, or value of personal services;
- Subscription fees for any publications;
- Ticket purchases of any kind;
- Any gift or portion of a gift which accrues personal benefit to the donor or another individual;

The DTE Energy Foundation may suspend, change, revoke or terminate this plan at any time. Questions related to its interpretation, application or administration shall be determined by the DTE Energy Foundation Board of Directors and its decisions will be final.

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