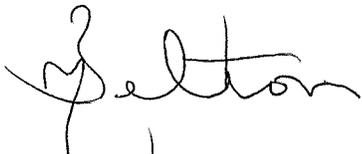


Dear State Employees and Retirees:

Who are we as Maryland State Employees and Retirees? We are committed public servants. Our mission is to help others and keep this state strong. We stand together in times of great need. We provide after-school snacks to needy children and meals to seniors, protect and restore the Chesapeake Bay. We are allowing for more service dogs to be placed with disabled veterans. This is who we are as Maryland State Employees and Retirees, and this is who we are as Marylanders.

The Maryland Charity Campaign provides our employees with opportunity to impact more citizens and protect our environment. With close to 900 organizations participating in the Campaign, we are assisting those who are most in need and safeguarding our waterways and mountains. For just a few dollars a year, we can also achieve the goal of \$3.3 million, and give back to our community and this great state.

Please join us and your fellow state employees in making a commitment today. Make a choice to give to one or more of nearly 900 eligible organizations who participate in the Maryland Charity Campaign, and who will benefit from our spirit of service and giving. Let's work together as State Employees and Retirees in connecting people who care with causes that matter.



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