



HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BUTZEL LONG CHARITABLE TRUST

Butzel Long has deep roots in Detroit and Southeast Michigan. Founded in 1854 and one of the oldest businesses in Detroit in existence today, Butzel Long has been at the center of the region's activity for nearly 165 years. Because the City of Detroit and this region have given us so much, we make a point to give back as well.

For this reason, the Butzel Long Charitable Trust was formed with the mission to help our city and region by contributing and donating to charitable, religious, scientific, literary, and educational purposes. The Charitable Trust is dedicated to improving this city, one project at a time.

This type of work is all the more important at this time of year during the Holidays and during the cold winter months. Below are just a few ways that the Butzel Long Charitable Trust has given back in 2018. And we have many, many more plans for 2019. We are also always looking for great new ideas, great organizations to partner with, and

donations to assist us in our work. If you'd like to get involved or help us with our mission, we'd love to hear from you.

Backpack Giveaway

- The Butzel Long Charitable Trust donated \$10,000 to purchase and give away over 400 backpacks to every K-5 student at Escuela Avancemos Academy, a local DPS school, with each backpack filled with school supplies
- These supplies helped these students and their parents in preparing these young children. Studies show that kids with the proper supplies do better in school. With our help, we hope that these students had a successful second half of their school year



Childhood Literacy Programs

- The Trust helped support a literacy program dedicated to building literacy habits in families and young children in Detroit
- This program provides for caregivers to participate in workshops that support early literacy skills for their children, provides children with bags of books to read, sets up a book exchange for children, and connects children with their local library to continue the flow of books into their homes.
- Butzel Long is committed to assisting our local schools, organizations, and families continue to transform Detroit into the Arsenal of Literacy



Butzel Long College Scholarship

- The Trust sponsored a \$1,500 college scholarship, given to a DPS student from Southwest Detroit who was a first-generation college student and the valedictorian of her class
- She began courses at Michigan State University this fall and our scholarship will assist her in achieving her dreams



University of Detroit Mercy Special Needs Basketball Camp

- The Trust sponsored the annual University of Detroit Mercy Special Needs Basketball Camp that teaches basketball skills to special needs children, many with Downs syndrome or other physical or mental disabilities
- The camp gave them an opportunity to learn and enjoy a great sport while being motivated and inspired
- Butzel Long helped sponsor the camp and purchased trophies for each and every student athlete to take home with them



New Day Foundation for Families

- We were a proud Sponsor for the New Day Foundation for Families Charity Golf Outing



- New Day Foundation assists hundreds of families by giving them resources and information to equip them to manage financial roadblocks as they fight and treat cancer for themselves or their family members

Big Brothers Big Sisters



- The Trust was a co-sponsor for the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Washtenaw County's Annual Fall Fundraiser, raising funds to pair kids in Washtenaw County with mentors and adult support
- BBBS helps kids gain opportunities and experiences that can help them grow their confidence, make positive choices, and succeed in becoming the best version of themselves

Homeless Awareness Week

- Butzel Long proudly supported and donated to the 2018 Homeless Awareness Week
- This program helped raise awareness for the region's homeless and proceeds were distributed to local soup kitchens and shelters



Focus Hope Adopt-a-Family Holiday Gift Giving Program

- The Butzel Long Charitable Trust was pleased to adopt a family for Christmas 2018
- We were able to help a young boy receive clothing and gifts this holiday



season that he otherwise would have gone without

Sock Drive to Warm the Homeless



- The Trust was able to purchase enough new, clean, and warm socks to outfit over 250 homeless people in Detroit
- The socks were donated to the Pope Francis Center in Downtown Detroit, a ministry that aids the city's homeless by serving nutritious meals to those who are hungry as well as providing hot shower, laundry, and access to doctors, lawyers, dentists, and housing services
- Many Butzel Long attorneys also donate their time to provide pro bono legal advice through the Center's free legal clinic

COMMITMENT TO THE ARTS

- Our Trust helped sponsor events at the Detroit Institute of Arts, benefiting educational programming for more than 700,000 visitors, young and old, who visit the DIA each year
- We are working with other cultural organizations around the City and the region for ways to partner with them to expand access to the arts and culture to all students

MUCH MORE TO COME IN 2019

The Butzel Long Charitable Trust intends to continue giving back to the community in the years to come and anticipates expanding on those services and donations made this year by giving away even more in 2019. In addition to the types of contributions noted above, the trust hopes to:

- Make wishes come true for severely ill children

- Provide the opportunity for underprivileged children to attend summer camps and learn skills they wouldn't otherwise be able to learn
- To offer even more scholarships for Detroit's high school and college students
- Partner with local schools to incentivize high grades and perfect attendance
- And much, much more!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET INVOLVED?

The Butzel Long Charitable Trust is only able to do all that it does based on the generosity of its donors (most of whom are our own attorneys and employees, along with a matching program from the firm itself) as well as the network of organizations that we are able to work with.

Do you have a great idea of how the Butzel Long Charitable Trust can give back to the city? Know of an organization that we should be aware of? Is your company or organization (or you yourself) looking for a way to round out your charitable giving as the 2018 calendar year comes to a close?

If so, we would love to hear from you. Please feel free to drop us a line [here](#). Together, we can continue to give back to our city and our region. It is the right thing to do!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BUTZEL LONG CHARITABLE TRUST AND A HAPPY 2019 TO ALL!!!

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