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Beal Bank Makes Major Computer Donation to Area Non-Profits

More than 300 computers donated in total, valued at more than \$100,000

Dallas, TX (November 7, 2014) – This holiday season, NPower and its skills-based volunteering program, The Community Corps, are collaborating with Beal Bank and United Way of Metropolitan Dallas to help improve technology capacities at nonprofits and schools across Dallas County.

On Friday, NPower North Texas and representatives from The Community Corps arrived at Beal Bank's headquarters to finalize preparations for shipment of approximately \$100,000 worth of computers generously donated by the bank. When the equipment arrives at NPower's Dallas offices next week, the some 200 computers with dual monitor setups and 100 computers with single monitors will be given out for free in the form of tech grants to nonprofits and schools serving low- to moderate-income individuals and neighborhoods. The grant applications will be individually reviewed and rated by volunteers from The Community Corps to ensure the computers reach those in the community who need them most.

"Families in today's world need access to modern technology to maximize their potential. By donating these computers, we hope to help prepare adults for better job opportunities and to help children as they take those all-important first steps toward accomplishing great things. With the help of the good people at NPower, we are investing in those who will lead our country into the future," said Jacob Cherner, President of Beal Service Corporation, Beal Bank's administrative affiliate.

This is Beal Bank's third donation of PCs over the last five years, and the donation continues their long tradition of supporting academic excellence, especially in science and mathematics. These computers, which less than 4 years old and already have Windows 7 installed, will be a great asset to the tech grant awardees.

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"We are incredibly proud to collaborate with NPower and Beal Bank in getting muchneeded technology to North Texas students to help them succeed academically," said Dana Brown, Chief Marketing and Engagement Officer of United Way of Metropolitan Dallas. "We at United Way believe education is key to building strong families and thriving communities."

"One of NPower's offerings is helping nonprofits and schools access the technology they need to do what they do even better," said Kris Falvo, NPower's North Texas Regional Director. "The Community Corps was created to help these organizations increase their impact on communities they serve, and the collaboration with Beal Bank, United Way of Metropolitan Dallas and all our volunteers will surely improve lives through technology."

The Community Corps is now accepting applications for the tech grants from qualified nonprofits and schools across Dallas County. Apply now and tell us how your organization can benefit from receiving these free computers. Learn more at: http://www.npower.org/News-and-Events/News-and-Events.aspx#TCC_Free_Computers_Apply

About NPower and The Community Corps:

NPower mobilizes the tech community and provides individuals, nonprofits, and schools opportunities to build tech skills and achieve their potential. The Community Corps, NPower's skills-based volunteering program, connects technology professionals with high impact nonprofits and innovative education partners. Our tech volunteers work hand-in-hand with schools and nonprofits across North America to help them use technology more effectively and inspire the next generation of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) professionals. Our services are free to individuals, nonprofits and schools. For more information on NPower, please go to npower.org.

About Beal Bank:

Founded in 1988, the Beal Bank family of companies is headquartered in Dallas, Texas, and comprises one of the largest private financial institutions in the United States, anchored by its affiliate banks Beal Bank and Beal Bank USA. Both banks operate under the common brand Beal Bank and have well-earned reputations as stable, strongly capitalized financial institutions, with combined assets in excess of \$8.0 billion as of June 30, 2014. Beal Bank's core service is to provide depositors with competitive rates on certificates of deposits (CDs). Through affiliates, the Bank is also active in financing commercial real estate acquisition and development; acquiring individual loans and loan portfolios; and financing and funding loans and syndications in loans secured by tangible assets in such industries as real estate, lodging, energy and power, manufacturing, timber, and transportation and distribution. Beal Bank and Beal Bank USA are



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About United Way of Metropolitan Dallas:

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas brings people together to improve lives and create lasting change here in North Texas by focusing on education, income, and health -- the building blocks for strong families and thriving communities. We galvanize and connect all sectors of society – individuals, businesses, non-profits, and government – to create long-term change through investing in solutions that produce healthy, well-educated and financially stable individuals and families. We raise, invest and leverage over \$50M annually in community-focused solutions serving Dallas, Collin, Rockwall and southern Denton counties. We do more than help one person beat the odds – we are changing the odds for entire communities. Together, we LIVE UNITED. To learn more, please visit UnitedWayDallas.org.

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