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**Mazuma Credit Union’s Give Back Day Spreads Community Support**

*5th annual event affirms the Credit Union’s dedication to giving back to Kansas City*

**Kansas City, MO:** Mazuma Credit Union celebrated its 5th Annual Give Back Day on Monday, October 10th. Part of the Credit Union’s *40 Hours for Good* program, Give Back Day encourages Mazuma Team Members to spend their workday volunteering with local organizations in support of the charitable work they do in Kansas City. Mazuma’s purpose is “Making Kansas City a Better Place to Live, Work, and Bank,” and Give Back Day is one of many opportunities each year for Team Members to put this ethos into practice in the communities they serve.

Over 160 Mazuma Team Members representing various branches and departments participated in this year’s event, sharing their time and effort with 13 mission-driven organizations across the Kansas City metropolitan area for a total of nearly 800 volunteer hours in one day. Whether cleaning up public spaces with Kansas City Parks & Recreation, making engagement toys for the animals sheltered at Wayside Waifs, or preparing and serving meals at NourishKC, it was a day dedicated to supporting the many local organizations that do so much good in our community.

“I was incredibly impressed with Mazuma’s volunteer spirit and eagerness to serve,” said Candace Starr, Activities Director at Sunrise Senior Living. “Our residents LOVED having Mazuma and are still talking about (their) visit!” The Credit Union’s Team Members also appreciated the ability to serve the community, learn new things, and connect with local charitable organizations. “I had the opportunity to do some gardening with Kansas City Community Gardens. I would say the best part was seeing passionate people take time out of their lives to make a positive impact in our community,” reflected Heather Batschke, Mazuma’s Talent Development Designer. “Their drive to help others aligns so closely with Mazuma’s purpose, which really meant a lot to me.”

Other organizations and Community Partners served as part of this year’s Give Back Day included After the Harvest, Hillcrest Transitional Housing, EarlystART, Jewish Vocational Services, Habitat KC ReStore, Pawsperity, North Kansas City YMCA, and KC Shepherd’s Center. Mazuma’s *40 Hours for Good* program gives all Team Members 40 hours of paid volunteer time each year to use in support of local community organizations. This focus on volunteer engagement is a core aspect of the Credit Union’s philosophy, which prioritizes empowering the Members and community it serves. For more information about Mazuma Credit Union, visit [mazuma.org](https://www.mazuma.org/).

More information about the Community Partners we serve can be found through the links below:

[After the Harvest](https://aftertheharvestkc.org/)

[EarlystART](https://earlystartkc.org/)

[Kansas City Community Gardens](https://kccg.org/)

[Pawsperity](https://thegroomingproject.org/)

[Habitat KC ReStore](https://habitatkc.org/restore/)

[Hillcrest Transitional Housing](https://hillcrestkc.org/)

[Jewish Vocational Services](https://jvskc.org/)

[Kansas City Parks & Recreation](https://kcparks.org/)

[KC Shepherd’s Center](https://www.kcshepherdscenter.org/)

[North Kansas City YMCA](https://kansascityymca.org/locations/north-kansas-city)

[NourishKC](https://nourishkc.org/)

[Sunrise Senior Living](https://www.sunriseseniorliving.com/)

[Wayside Waifs](https://waysidewaifs.org/)

**About Mazuma Credit Union**

Mazuma Credit Union was founded in 1948 as the Kansas City National Federation of Federal Employees Credit Union by Joe and Wyla Pinkerton. 50 years later, its name was changed to Mazuma Credit Union. Mazuma currently serves more than 72,000 Members who live or work in Jackson, Cass, Clay, or Platte counties in Missouri or Wyandotte or Johnson counties in Kansas, with services including wealth management, banking, IRAs, mortgage lending, and more.

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