



Missouri Retired Teachers Association and Public School Personnel
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MRTA Cash for Classrooms Program

PURPOSE: MRTA Cash for Classrooms helps provide financial means for educators to create experiences that enrich and enhance student learning.

BUDGET: MRTA will provide \$15,000 in matching funds each year, and eligible MRTA Units will be allowed to apply for up to \$100 in matching funds to go to a DonorsChoose program of their choice.

ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible, MRTA Units must have a current MRTA Unit Officer Report on file at the MRTA office and be in good standing with MRTA. Units must also raise funds within their area to participate and are required to raise a minimum of \$100 per DonorsChoose project they wish to fund. MRTA will match dollar for dollar all raised funds up to \$100.

REQUIREMENTS: MRTA Units must agree to promote MRTA Cash for Classrooms in the following manners:

- Requesting access to speak to the school faculty at which the project was funded
- Placing MRTA materials and MRTA Cash for Classrooms materials in the faculty work room(s)
- Creating a Press Release for the local newspaper and any other forms of local news
- Requesting the School District make a Facebook post about the funded program
- Posting photos and information about the program funded on the Unit's Facebook page

OTHER: If there are any dollars left from the initial round of MRTA Cash for Classrooms disbursement, MRTA Units of Excellence may apply for an additional \$100 dollar match on a first-come, first-serve basis.

MRTA, a 501(c)(4) not-for-profit corporation, is a grassroots advocacy association with nearly 30,000 members. MRTA is independent, nonpartisan, and does not endorse political candidates.



MRTA CASH FOR CLASSROOMS APPLICATION

MRTA Unit Information	
Unit Name:	
Contact Person:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
E-mail Address:	
Current Unit Officer Report on File:	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Yes No </div>
DonorsChoose Project Information	
School Name:	
Teacher's Name:	
Project Name:	
URL Link to Project Online:	
Unit Donation Amount: (a minimum of \$100 is required)	
Who Will Submit the Full Donation Online to DonorsChoose? (select only one option)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> MRTA Unit </div>

Units may e-mail their applications to mrta@mrta.org or mail to MRTA c/o Cash for Classrooms at 3030 DuPont Circle, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

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WHEN IS THE DEADLINE? Applications will be accepted January 1st – December 31st each calendar year.

HOW WILL FUNDS BE DISBURSED? MRTA Units have the following options to donate funds to DonorsChoose: ***(PLEASE SELECT ONE OPTION)***

- Units may submit their donation amount to MRTA with a check or call in to pay with a credit card, and MRTA will go online to submit the Unit's donation and MRTA's matching amount to DonorsChoose in one transaction.
- MRTA will mail a check for the matching amount to the Unit, and the Unit will go online to submit their donation and MRTA's matching amount to DonorsChoose in one transaction.

It is pertinent that the Unit's and MRTA's donation amounts are submitted online in one transaction, so both parties can be acknowledged for fully funding a project on DonorsChoose. Please note that DonorsChoose accepts payment via credit card, PayPal, or check. If you choose to pay with a check, DonorsChoose will provide you with instructions

after declaring your donation online at <https://www.donorschoose.org/donors/search.html>.
Units may call the MRTA office at (877) 366-6782 with any questions.