

SHARED LEAVE DRIVE UPDATE: CITY WILL MATCH ALL DONATIONS

As you may have read yesterday, the Employee Relations Council has opened a Shared Leave Drive for donations to help employees during the pandemic. Organizations like the ERC are so important during times like these, and I appreciate them stepping up to act. The drive is open for contributions via Executime or [this form](#).

Our employees and their families are counting on us to take care of them. The shared leave policy is an important program that has helped so many people, and we know more will need this in the future, especially with greater uncertainty to come. I appreciate those of you who have given in the past and hope all who can; will participate now.

As a way to help rebuild this vital resource, and encourage those who may be able to give to maximize the good you can do, we will be matching your donation hour for hour on this drive. For every hour you donate, we will add two hours to the bank to help people who we know will need this extra help.

You and your families are important to our success, and our values include taking care of each other. What better way to emphasize that than to support you helping others in times of need.

In addition, the shared leave program is usually capped at 5,000 hours. I have asked for that ceiling to be removed.

Please take some time to donate any leave hours you can offer. The City will double it. If you've ever used hours from this pool, then you know how incredibly helpful it can be. How better to support your fellow workers than by maximizing your contributions through this employee-driven program.

Take care of each other, work safe and healthy, and thanks again for all of your hard work.

Sincerely,

Craig