

## **Donations**

### **Metro-West Steelheaders**

Metro-West Steelheaders have a long history of giving to conservation and education of Michigan's natural resources. Donations provided over the past decade are listed below (Excluding the "Covid-19 years of 2020 & 2021" due to inability to conduct fund raisers).

- On an Annual Basis:
  - MWS sponsors tuition for an average of 25 youth to attend Michigan United Conservation Clubs' (MUCC) week-long Youth Camp in Chelsea, MI. The Camp's objective is to instill a love for the outdoors and the value of conservation. The number of youths sponsored during this period has been increasing, with 34 sponsored by MWS in CY 2019.
  - MWS sponsors a Youth Fishing Outing and Picnic at Kensington Metro Park in Milford Twp, MI. Each youth is provided a fishing rod & reel, fishing tackle and bait. MWS members provide fishing instruction and techniques. The youth can keep the equipment! Trophies are awarded in several categories. After fishing, lunch and an animal show are also provided. The event is typically limited to 100-120 youth (due to size of fishing area), plus their parents. Total attendance has usually been 200-250 people.
  - Salmon-in-the-Classroom (SIC) is a program where students in a school classroom setting raise salmon fry in the fall & winter to be released in the spring. MWS provides the equipment and assistance to the teacher, and salmon eggs are provided by Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources, Fisheries Division. Most recently, in the 2019/20 school year, MWS sponsored a total of 6 SIC's in Michigan schools. These included: Detroit, Novi (2), South Redford, Brownstown Twp., and Bloomfield Hills.
  - Tracks Magazine in the Classroom. MWS provides MUCC Tracks Magazine subscriptions (published monthly during the school year) to several of the SIC classrooms. Tracks Magazine is aligned with the 4th & 5<sup>th</sup> grades science teaching curriculum.
- Financial Donations Annually
  - Huron River Watershed Council
  - Clinton River Watershed Council (including MWS physical support with river clean-up)
  - Lake Superior State University-Aquatic Research Lab
- Periodic Financial Donations
  - MUCC Youth Camp Cabin Sponsorship
  - MSSFA Tribal Negotiation Fund
  - Michigan State University - Project FISH
  - MUCC District 1 Fundraiser
  - MUCC Banquet Donation
  - Funded Booth & start-up money to new Traverse City MSSFA Club
  - Delta Kelly Elementary School SIC Program
  - MUCC/Dave Scrobot Memorial Donation
  - MUCC Youth Charity Shoot Sponsor
  - MSSFA's charter membership in the Advisory Counsel of the Legislators Sportsman Caucus (MSCAC)