DonorsChoose.org Announces $1 Million Match Donation for Public Schools from Craig Newmark Philanthropies

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NEW YORK (PRWEB) May 13, 2019 -- DonorsChoose.org, an education crowdfunding nonprofit, announced today that Craig Newmark Philanthropies has pledged $1 million to match donations for public school teachers and students on its platform. Donors will have their gifts doubled, while funds last, helping provide books, art supplies, field trips, technology, and other classroom materials and experiences for teachers across the country.

“We are grateful for Craig’s long-standing support of our community,” said Charles Best, founder of DonorsChoose.org. “This gift from Craig Newmark Philanthropies will help us engage the public in supporting classrooms across the country, ensuring that thousands of teachers and students have vital resources to end their school year on a high note.”

The resources funded through the match will help teachers finish their school year strong at a time when some classroom resources can be in short supply. It will also help as teachers start to prepare for next year’s incoming classes.

“Students deserve opportunities to learn, grow, and explore, and teachers give a lot of time, resources, and energy to ensure they provide a great education,” said Craig Newmark, founder of craigslist and Craig Newmark Philanthropies. “All Americans need to support students and teachers year-round, and I’m very proud to help people do so by making their money go even further.”

Newmark has been a long-time supporter of DonorsChoose.org. In 2017, he made a $1 million match donation to support the classroom projects of public schools that serve military children. In 2018, he gave over $1 million to match donations made to STEM classroom projects, with a special focus on efforts that supported girls’ education on these topics. He has also given to schools damaged by Hurricane Harvey and to classrooms in New Jersey.

Donors can participate in this Million Dollar Match Campaign starting at 7 AM Eastern Time on Monday, May 13. To support a classroom project that is eligible for the Craig Newmark Philanthropies match, click here.

About Craig Newmark Philanthropies
Craig Newmark Philanthropies was created by craigslist founder Craig Newmark to support and connect people and drive broad civic engagement. The organization works to advance people and grassroots organizations that are getting stuff done in areas that include trustworthy journalism, voter protection, gender diversity in technology, and veterans and military families. For more information, please visit CraigNewmarkPhilanthropies.org.

About DonorsChoose.org
DonorsChoose.org is the leading platform for giving to public schools. Teachers across America use the site to create projects requesting resources their students need, and donors give to the projects that inspire them. Since its founding by a Bronx teacher in 2000, more than 3.7 million people and partners have given $820 million to projects reaching 33.7 million students. Unique among education funding platforms, the DonorsChoose.org
team vets each project request and ships resources directly to the school. Every donor receives photos of their project in action, thank-yous from the classroom, and a cost report showing how every dollar was spent. DonorsChoose.org was the first charity to make the top 10 on Fast Company’s list of the Most Innovative Companies in the World.