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St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center receives critical technology donations to help its students during pandemic

DETROIT, Dec. 18, 2020 – One of the Detroit area's prominent non-profit educational organizations, <u>St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center</u> (SVSF), is the recipient of two technology donations this holiday season that will provide more than 400 computers to students of all ages.

Through its own employee program, Eastown Distributors, located in Highland Park, provided Holiday presents of Chromebooks for all of the children enrolled in the SVSF youth education programs, along with toys, clothes and other needed items in a donation of approximately \$20,000.

Also, Detroit Employment Solutions Corporation (DESC), a Michigan Works! Agency, will be providing 325 laptops that will be distributed to adult SVSF students who are in need in the coming months. These devices are being funded through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Relief Fund.

"We are truly blessed to have partners like Eastown and DESC, who are committed to helping to close the digital gap for our community," said Diane Renaud, Executive Director/CEO of SVSF. "During this pandemic technology has been a critical tool to keep our students connected and engaged. We are very thankful for this support and look forward to helping all of our students succeed."

About St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center

St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center began in 1844 as St. Vincent's Academy in Detroit, a kindergarten for orphaned children. For more than 175 years, the organization has grown and evolved to meet the needs of the community. It continues to fulfill its mission of serving at-risk families by providing free, personalized educational support for children and adults. These programs are designed to help build self-sufficiency skills for academic and employment success, personal achievement and dignity. Visit <u>http://www.svsfcenter.org/</u> to learn more.