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WALMART DONATES TO NEW YORK CITY’S HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS

The Walmart Foundation Provided In-Kind Support including Water, Blankets, and Transportation to Aid Families Affected by Hurricane Sandy and to Help With New York City’s Relief

The Mayor’s Fund to Advance New York City announced today that the Walmart Foundation has donated water, blankets and transportation aid for New York City’s relief efforts related to Hurricane Sandy. Walmart has provided the City with 500,000 bottles of water and 5,000 blankets which have been distributed at the City’s food and relief centers. The retailer has also leveraged its transportation and logistics network to help the City locate and transport power generators to areas in need.

“The Walmart Foundation has been a great partner to the City of New York on many public initiatives and is once again joining corporate partners across the country to bring much needed relief to families and communities who have lost so much,” said Megan Sheekey, President of the Mayor’s Fund to Advance New York City. “The Mayor’s Fund is very grateful for the Walmart Foundation’s ongoing dedication to the welfare of our city and its residents, and standing alongside New Yorkers when we need it the most.”

“Walmart has been in constant contact with local agencies to understand the specific needs of impacted communities, to listen and to act,” said Sylvia Burwell, President of the Walmart Foundation. “At Walmart, we recognize our opportunity and responsibility to help make a difference and we will continue to work closely with leaders like Mayor Bloomberg to help ensure that those who have been affected have what they need to get through this difficult time.”

The Mayor’s Fund is accepting financial donations from organizations and individuals to support hurricane relief efforts. One hundred percent of contributions are being dispersed to relief efforts. The City is currently identifying immediate aid needs, including food, water and hygiene supplies, as well as long-term relief and recovery efforts. To date, the Mayors Fund has raised $33.5 million to aid the City’s recovery and restoration projects.

For more information on the Mayor’s Fund to Advance New York City and how to donate, visit: www.nyc.gov/fund or call 212-788-7794.

For details and updates related to Walmart’s recovery and relief efforts, please visit: www.news.walmart.com/disaster-response

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