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**Michigan Trucking Association Helps Make Dreams Come True**  
***Detroit Chapter Equipment & Maintenance Donates to Children's The Rainbow Connection***

**Lansing, MI:** Michigan Trucking Association's (MTA) Detroit Chapter Equipment & Maintenance Council today presented the children's charity The Rainbow Connection with a \$10,000 donation. The contribution is in lieu of money raised at the chapter's annual golf outing, unexpectedly cancelled due to the pandemic.

The Rainbow Connection, headquartered in Rochester, Michigan, makes wishes come true for Michigan children with life threatening medical conditions. In addition, the charity provides support services to eligible wish families in need.

Detroit Chapter Equipment & Maintenance Council President Rick Krstich says it was the right thing to do. "The council has supported The Rainbow Connection for more than 15 years. Usually, they receive funds at our annual golf outing but this year we had to cancel. We decided that we were not going to let the kids down, especially during this stressful time. The trucking industry continues to roll and so should The Rainbow Connection."

MTA President & CEO Mickey Blashfield agrees. "MTA is proud of these council members. They stepped up, not back, when it looked like The Rainbow Connection would be left with a major budget hole. This is a perfect example of how Michigan trucking supports the community on and off the road, even with the major challenges of COVID-19. We are proud that MTA efforts can grant wishes for children while still making our essential deliveries."

The Detroit Chapter Equipment & Maintenance Council is a regional affiliate of MTA focused on mechanics, technicians and industrial support of the Michigan trucking industry. The council hosts monthly meetings and events to share best practices.

**About Michigan Trucking Association**

[Michigan Trucking Association](#) has represented Michigan for-hire trucking companies and private company fleets since 1934. Headquartered in Lansing, Michigan, the association offers federal and state transportation regulations assistance, legislative representation and other trucking-related guidance. The association's mission is to serve the interests of commercial motor transportation through advocacy, education, networking and public image building.

**About The Rainbow Connection**

The Rainbow Connection is a 501(c)3 Michigan non-profit dedicated to fulfilling the wishes of children battling life-threatening medical conditions. Since 1985, The Rainbow Connection has granted over 3600 wishes to brave children right here in our community. Granting wishes is a way of providing families the opportunity to share a positive experience together, making lasting memories along the way and providing hope for a brighter future.