

American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO Detroit District Area Local

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Greeting brothers and sisters,

I am writing today to tell you all how proud and pleased I am of **you**. This past Friday December 22, 2017 your Local hosted our annual Steward Appreciation Luncheon. On that very same day we delivered to the Ross family all the donations that you the APWU-DDAL membership donated to their family for Christmas.

Ms. Delorian Ross and her three children, Imari, Pierre and Anthony were totally taken by surprise when they realized that the Detroit Local had adopted their family. Delorian was so emotional that tears of joy filled her eyes the entire evening. Delonda the sister in-law stated that "this shows there are still so many good people in the world."

The membership has been asked often to donate to the Cancer Walk that we attend annually. We have donated to the Flint Michigan water contamination crisis, and of course you give to CFC, and so many other events. This shows the big hearts of Postal Workers across the country, but here in Detroit, you rise to every single occasion.

I'm very grateful to be a part of an organization that realizes we must do our part to help those families who are hurting, and on December 22, 2017 the Detroit District Area Local did just that for a family that had their husband, father, teacher, mentor and provider stolen from them.

We may not have been able to provide all the items needed, but this **UNION** did provide Christmas to the Ross family in a way that shows how much we care.

I would like to thank you, because you made a difference. I was humbled as I watched how grateful this mother and her three children were as they received the gifts. Ms. Ross wanted me to thank all of you from the bottom of her heart.

I believe this should be our first of many opportunities to be a blessing to a family, because there is nothing better than giving, and no one gives like the members of the American Postal Workers Union, Detroit District Area Local.

Thank you, thank you, thank you and have a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Respectfully Kuth M. Combs