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MADISON TEACHERS UNION STANDS UP FOR GUN SAFETY IN OUR SCHOOLS

Donates to Wisconsin Anti-Violence Effort; Funds raised from orange "ENOUGH" t-shirt sales



Front, 10" across in Black Ink



Front, 12" across in Black and Cool Grey 9C Ink



MTI President Waity presents check to WAVE Board Member, John Cioci

Today, Madison Teachers Inc. donated \$827 to Wisconsin Anti-Violence Effort (WAVE). The funds collected came from the sale of orange "Enough" t-shirts.

Last April, MTI members at East High School led a Day of Action at the Wisconsin state capitol for safety in our schools. Teachers and educational support staff wore orange "ENOUGH" t-shirts to honor the people we've lost due to gun violence and demanded action. In addition, MTI along with the National Education Association (NEA) passed resolutions condemning the current gun culture of America and in support of the NEA in calling for common sense gun control laws to make schools safer in light of yet another tragic school shooting.

The "Wear Orange" campaign invites everyone who agrees we can do more to save American lives from gun violence to do one simple thing: #WearOrange – a color that symbolizes the value of human life. Orange expresses our collective hope as a nation — a hope for a future free from gun violence. The funds raised by MTI went directly to a local organization in Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Anti-Violence Effort Educational Fund is a statewide grassroots organization dedicated to preventing gun violence, injuries, and deaths through education and advocacy.

Twenty years ago, on April 20, 1999, at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, two teens went on a shooting spree, killing 13 people and wounding more than 20 others before turning their guns on themselves and committed suicide. The Columbine shooting was, at the time, the worst high school shooting in U.S. history and prompted a national debate on gun control and school safety. We pause to remember those lost at Columbine, and all other lives lost in gun violence in our schools.

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