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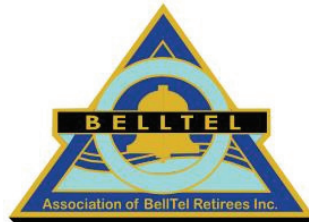
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Dear honored members,

“Giving Tuesday is all about celebrating each and every single act of generosity we have to offer”. **Giving Tuesday is November 28, 2023 and marks the season of giving.**

This letter is an urgent appeal to all our members at the Association of BellTel Retirees to reach a **Giving Tuesday goal of \$50K.** Your volunteer board of directors at the Association knows that you *always* give with a willing and generous heart. The season of giving is an opportunity to reflect on the true spirit of giving and inspire you to give just a wee bit more to your Association.

I wholly acknowledge that your household and your Association share the same struggles under the burdens of raising cost and stagnant income. We understand and we feel your pain. Heck, even Girl Scout cookies cost more!

Your total current 2023 donations to your Association have **decreased by 18%** compared to 2022. Our goal of raising \$50,000 is vital to continue our mission to protect your benefits. If just 20% of all our members who receive this letter donate \$20, we will reach this goal. You can count on my donation!

You already know that your board of directors and our staff work tirelessly on your behalf. Also know that we respect your ultimate decision on whether you choose to make donation to your Association or decide to support another worthy organization. Giving is always good!

Allow me to share a Kahlil Gibran quote, *"You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give."*

In this spirit, and if you are unable to give financially, instead please consider volunteering a few hours each week to support your Association. We need volunteers to distribute newsletters, speak at events, and so much more.

“Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.” - Sherry Anderson

Kindly share this letter with your friends & family who can help us reach our \$50K goal! Your tax-deductible donation will help us continue the important work we do.

Warmest regards during the holiday season and always,



Una Kelly
Treasurer

You can donate by mailing a check in the envelope provided, make an online credit card donation, or by going directly to the “Donate Now” link on our webpage: <https://belltelretirees.org/>

You can set up automatic donations that recur monthly, quarterly or annually. There are other donation options such as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) or you may consider including the Association of BellTel Retirees in your estate planning. Discuss QCD and Estate planning with your **financial advisor**.

We urge all active Verizon employees to donate to the Association via Verizon Foundation, which qualify for matching funds from Verizon. Currently, retirees are not eligible for matching Verizon funds when you donate to your Association. We know that senior executives at Verizon read our newsletters and our appeal letters. We do hope Verizon will voluntarily correct this short-sighted, biased policy without additional persuasion from our army of BellTel Retiree members.

We are a 501c(3) organization and your contributions are tax deductible. Call our office for more information.

NOTICE! Our address for mailing ALL donations has changed as follows:
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