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Ace Retail Group Fan Drive Delivers 8,400 Fans in 2026

Annual campaign brings lifetime total to more than 78,000 fans distributed through local Salvation Army partnerships

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – June 23, 2026 – Ace Retail Group announced today that its annual Fan Drive generated more than \$165,000 in customer donations this year, helping provide 8,400 box fans to local Salvation Army locations for distribution.

Since the Fan Drive began in 2012, customers across Ace Retail Group stores have donated more than \$1.2 million, helping provide over 78,000 box fans to seniors, low-income families and others in need throughout the communities the company serves. The 2026 Fan Drive expanded to include Great Lakes Ace Hardware stores in Detroit and Cincinnati, bringing participation to 210 Ace Retail Group stores nationwide.

From mid-May through early June, customers were invited to round up their purchases at the register to support the campaign. One hundred percent of customer donations were used to purchase box fans at cost for distribution through local Salvation Army commands. In addition, Ace Retail Group donated additional fans to support this year's effort, helping extend the program's impact in communities across the country.

"The Fan Drive continues to demonstrate the generosity of our customers and the commitment our stores have to serving their communities, especially at a time when many families are being thoughtful about their own budgets," said Jeremy Van Ommeren, vice president of stores for Ace Retail Group. "Through our partnership with The Salvation Army, we're able to turn small donations into meaningful assistance for local families, and we're proud to continue supporting our neighbors through this effort."

The Fan Drive is one of several community-focused initiatives supported by Ace Retail Group and reflects the company's ongoing commitment to supporting the neighborhoods where its associates and customers live and work.

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About Ace Retail Group

Ace Retail Group owns more than 260 hardware stores in 18 states – operating [Breed & Co.](#), [Buikema's Ace](#), [Dennis Company Ace](#), [Great Lakes Ace Hardware](#), [Outer Banks Ace](#), [Westlake Ace Hardware](#), and Ace locations in California. A wholly-owned division of [Ace Hardware Corporation](#), the company is headquartered in the Kansas City area.

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