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U. of Detroit Mercy offers employees cash for moving to the city

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DETROIT (AP) - The University of Detroit Mercy is offering its 850 employees cash incentives to move to neighborhoods near the school's three campuses.

Workers would get \$5,000 toward a down payment on a house. Meanwhile JVS, a nonprofit human services organization in Southfield, will partner with the Catholic university to help employees secure an additional \$5,000 through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Detroit Free Press says the program is voluntary and open to all full-time employees.

Several employees already have inquired about the program since it was announced before the holiday break.

The loan would be forgiven after five years in the new home.

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