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## Regional Public Radio Station secures 250<sup>th</sup> music instrument donation for Akron Public School students

**AKRON, OH** – The Summit has reached a milestone by donating musical instruments for Akron Public Schools students through its Music Alive program.

On Monday, April 13, the Akron Board of Education accepted an additional ten reconditioned musical instruments that the radio station has collected, restored and donated. This brings the total of instruments to 250.

The instruments include a beautiful restored cornet, trumpet, trombone, saxophone, clarinet, flute, piccolo, and snare drum, plus an acoustic and bass guitar.

Music Alive is the ultimate recycling program. The public radio station solicits second-hand musical instruments from listeners which are then restored and then distributed to students in the Akron Public Schools.

Sally Childs, Coordinator of Fine Arts for Akron Public Schools, enthuses, "Because of Music Alive, students who could not afford to experience instrumental music will have the opportunity to play! The instruments provided by this great program are filling a void, and



music directors and students are excited about having instruments in great playing condition. The Akron Public Schools Music Department can't thank The Summit enough for this highly successful and ongoing program!"

Music Alive program partners include Taylor Band & Orchestra and The Akron Symphony Orchestra. In 2015, the radio station launched the program for the remainder of its broadcast coverage area including Canton, and Youngstown.

The Summit 91.3 FM Akron/Canton, and 90.7 FM Youngstown/Warren and western Pennsylvania, a recognized music leader in non-commercial, public radio. The Summit is locally owned and operated, member-supported public radio. The Summit plays a wide variety of music, including Rock, Pop, Folk, Acoustic, Local, Reggae, and much more. The Summit also streams Rock & Recovery and KIDJAM! Radio via the Summit app.

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