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FCA Foundation Grants "Power Up" 51 Michigan High School Robotics Teams Dragons, Vi-Borgs and Martians among teams to share \$223,750

The FCA Foundation awarded FIRST robotics programs more than \$400,000 this year, including support for 2018 FIRST Championship – Detroit

REVISED 010418: Corrects total amount of grants awarded to Michigan teams.

December 27, 2017, Auburn Hills, Mich. - Ahead of the (Jan. 6) kickoff of the 2018 robotics season, the FCA Foundation, the charitable arm of North American automaker FCA US LLC, today announced \$223,750 in grants to 51 Michigan-based FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) teams. The grants (\$4,475 per team) will help offset the costs i.e. registration fees, parts and materials and team apparel associated with participating in the 2018 <u>FIRST® POWER</u> <u>UP</u> challenge. FIRST® (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), is an international, K-12 not-for-profit organization founded to inspire young people's interest and participation in science and technology.

"We are proud to partner with an organization that is committed to inspiring the next generation of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) professionals," said Phil Jansen, Head of Product Development, FCA – North America. "The experience that students gain through their participation in FIRST programs is invaluable in preparing them for STEM-based careers."

This year alone, the FCA Foundation has awarded more than \$400,000 to student robotics programs, including grants for Michigan-based FIRST Tech Challenge and FIRST LEGO League teams, First in Michigan and 2018 FIRST Championship – Detroit (April 25-28).

Additionally, more than 80 FCA US employees will guide FRC teams through the competition season as volunteer team mentors and coaches.

The FCA Foundation awarded grants to the following Michigan FRC teams:

School(s)	Team No.	Team Name
Almont High School	4961	Shock and Awe-sum
Avondale High School (Auburn Hills)	3538	RoboJackets
Bedford Robotics Association, Inc. (Temperance)	3542	S.P.E.E.D.
Berkley High School & Hazel Park & Shrine Catholic High School	247	Da Bears
Birmingham Seaholm & Birmingham Groves High Schools	2960	Maple Machine
Bishop Foley Catholic High School (Madison Heights)	910	Foley Freeze
Bloomfield Hills High School	2834	Bionic Black Hawks
Brandon High School (Ortonville) & Holly High School	68	Truck Town Thunder
Canton, Plymouth, and Salem High Schools	862	Lighting Robotics
Capac Community Schools	2604	Metal and Soul
Cardinal Mooney Catholic (Marine City)	4779	RoboSapeins
Carman-Ainsworth High School (Flint)	314	The Megatron Oracles
Central High School (Grand Rapids)	904	D Cubed
Clarkston High School	27	Team RUSH
Detroit Catholic Central High School (Novi)	5907	CC Shambots
Dundee High School	4395	Dundee Vi-Borgs
Fenton High School	5114	Titanium Tigers
Ferndale High School	1025	IMPIS

Genesee Robotics Area Youth Team (Fenton)	1322	GRAYT Leviathons
Goodrich High School	*70 / 494	More Martians / Martians
Grand Blanc High School	2337	EngiNERDs
Gross Ile High School	5498	Wired Devils
Imlay City High School	5048	Spartronics
International Academy East (Troy)	4384	Benzene Bots
Jalen Rose Leadership Academy (Detroit)	5619	Jaguars
Lake Orion High School	302	Dragons
Lapeer County Ed-Tech	3535	Galaktech Invaders
Linden High School	3568	Robo Eagles
Livonia Public Schools	2832	The Livonia Warriors
Macomb Academy of Arts and Sciences (Armada)	1718	Fighting PI
Mercy High School (Farmington Hills)	1481	The Riveters
Northwestern, Southwestern and Mott Middle College High Schools (Flint)	322	Team F.I.R.E.
Notre Dame Preparatory (Pontiac)	33	Killer Bees
Oakland Tech Northeast (Pontiac)	1	Juggernauts
Our Lady of the Lakes (Waterford)	5053	Lakers
Oxford Community Schools	2137	TORC
Pontiac Academy for Excellence	6117	Team Eagle
Pontiac High School	51	Wings of Fire
Rochester Adams (Rochester Hills)	245	Adambots
Rochester High School	201	The Feds
Skyline High School (Ann Arbor)	3322	Eagle Imperium
South Lake High School (St. Clair Shores)	5214	Cavbots
South Lyon Community Schools & South Lyon Robotics	3641	Flying Toasters
Southeastern High School of Technology (Detroit)	4851	JungleBots
St. Clair High School	5843	Flurb
Stevenson & Henry Ford II & Utica High Schools (Sterling Heights)	2851	Crevolution
Stoney Creek High School (Rochester Hills)	5436	CyberCats
Walled Lake Schools	308	The Monsters
Warren Consolidated Schools	818	Steel Armadillos
Waterford Kettering High School	3098	The Captains

*Teams will share a single grant.

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