**Women United Volunteers Mentor CDA Participants**

Women United, is a women’s leadership group from United Way for Southeastern Michigan whose members make an annual financial contribution .These women also contribute their time, talents and professional expertise to ensure that childcare providers and parents have the tools necessary to help the children they care for be successful. With staff from United Way for Southeastern Michigan and Leaps and Bounds, a core group of the women created a “mentoring” initiative for participants in this CDA cohort. Individual volunteers provide support and encouragement to CDA cohort participants through a UWSEM-supported app. Participants will gain from ongoing encouragement, support as the classes complete and as they prepare for the CDA test.

Photo: Women United Mentors and CDA participants as they meet for the 1st CDA class. Mentors provided bags filled with supplies and materials