

## Northwestern Mutual gifts \$225,000 to Milwaukee-area nonprofits

Employees nominate local organizations during annual Days of Sharing program

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 10, 2015 [/PRNewswire/](#) -- This holiday season, Northwestern Mutual, through its Foundation, is recognizing organizations that improve the Milwaukee community by awarding \$225,000 in grants to deserving nonprofits. Through its *Days of Sharing* program, 25 local organizations will receive grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000 on behalf of Northwestern Mutual employees. The annual campaign, which is now in its eighth year, awards grants based on employee nominations.

"Our *Days of Sharing* program is a very personal way of supporting our community," said John Kordsmeier, president, Northwestern Mutual Foundation. "By encouraging employees to nominate organizations close to their hearts, we are aligning our employees' passions and helping to shape a stronger future."

The winning organizations were chosen throughout the month of November. This year, more than 500 employees nominated their nonprofits of choice. Employees were surprised by the announcement their nonprofits had won – watch their reactions [here](#).

### 2015 Days of Sharing recipient organizations

Alverno College	Milwaukee Urban League Young Professionals
Bayview Neighborhood Association	National Kidney Foundation
Center for Communication Hearing & Deafness	Next Door Foundation
Cynthia's Breast Cancer Giving Circle	Northwest Catholic School
Elmbrook Hockey Association	Philippine Cultural & Civic Center
Greendale Friends of Music	Racine Habitat for Humanity
Industries for the Blind	South Milwaukee Human Concerns
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	Special Spaces Wisconsin
March of Dimes	United Community Center
Marguerite M. Pavlic-Gostomski Scholarship (UWM Foundation)	Washington County Humane Society
Milwaukee Irish Arts	Waukesha County Community Dental Clinic
Milwaukee LGBT Community Center	Wings of Angels (at Children's Hospital of WI)
Milwaukee Mustangs Track Club	

As part of the program, employees were also encouraged to vote from a list of nonprofits that could receive grants totaling \$125,000. This year, the company's five employee choice grants were awarded to Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative, Alzheimer's Association of Southeastern Wisconsin, Diverse & Resilient, Make a Wish Wisconsin and Best Buddies. Since 2007, the company has awarded more than \$1.3 million in grants on behalf of its employees through *Days of Sharing*.

### About Northwestern Mutual Foundation

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partners to deliver the best outcomes. Our efforts are focused nationally on curing childhood cancer, and locally on education, neighborhoods and making our hometown of Milwaukee a great destination.

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