

Northwestern Mutual Honors Extraordinary Volunteers with \$295,000 in Grants

Nonprofits throughout the country are awarded grants through annual Community Service Awards

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 28, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- A truly remarkable career goes beyond work in the office, which is why Northwestern Mutual recognizes its financial professionals who invest in improving their communities through volunteerism. Through its Foundation, Northwestern Mutual is honoring the commitment of these individuals through its annual Community Service Awards program. The company will celebrate these dedicated volunteers with \$295,000 in grants.

Twelve financial professionals across the nation have each been awarded a \$15,000 grant to benefit a nonprofit for serving on a board or volunteering their time.

An additional winner in each of the four regions has been recognized as *Most Exceptional* and has received \$25,000 for his or her organization.

Three of this year's winners are receiving an additional \$5,000 for volunteering with an organization focused on childhood cancer given its alignment to the company's national philanthropic cause.

For an introduction to this year's *Most Exceptional* winners, watch their stories on YouTube: [Chad Greer](#), [Fred O'Connor](#), [Nicholas Stamboulis](#), [Scott Cohen](#).

"I'm proud of the time, passion and commitment our financial professionals dedicate to bettering their communities," said Eric Christophersen, president, Northwestern Mutual Foundation. "It's clear that when we come together, we can accomplish anything we set out to do. Our Community Service Awards program shines a light on a group of inspirational individuals who know what it means to genuinely make a difference."

Since 1995, the Foundation has donated more than \$5 million to nonprofits on behalf of its financial professionals. This year's Community Service Award winners were announced at the company's regional sales meetings, with grants presented to nonprofits at local events throughout the country.

2017 Northwestern Mutual Community Service Award Winners

Most Exceptional Winners		
Name	Organization	Office Location
Chad Greer, CLU®	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Middle Tennessee	Nashville, Tennessee
Fred O'Connor, CFP®, RICP® ChFC®, AEP®, CLU®, CLTC	Big Shoulders Fund	Northbrook, Illinois
Nicholas Stamboulis	Lea's Foundation for Leukemia Research	West Hartford, Connecticut
Scott Cohen, CFP®, CLU®	Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern California (Camp Ronald McDonald for Good Times)	Los Angeles, California
Outstanding Winners		
Name	Organization	Office Location
Bill Hunkler, CLU®, ChFC®	Barnesville St. Vincent De Paul	Barnesville, Ohio
Dimitrios Kiniris, CLU®, ChFC®	Junior Achievement of Sacramento	Sacramento, California

Drew Besonson	Orchards Children's Services	Troy, Michigan
Douglas Moffat	Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation	Ann Arbor, Michigan
Garry Burry, CLTC	WHAS Crusade for Children	Louisville, Kentucky
Jonathan Romero, Jr.	Parkinson's Disease Foundation	New York, New York
Kristin Sheppard	Guide Dogs for the Blind	San Francisco, California
Nate Fikse, CLU®, CLF®	Boys Town California	Newport Beach, California
Richard Woo, CLU®, CFP®	GRIP Outreach for Youth	Chicago, Illinois
Stephen Grant, CLU®	Chris and Kelly's HOPE Foundation	Greenville, South Carolina
Stephen Owings, CFP®, ChFC®, CLU®	Road Safe America	Atlanta, Georgia
Trevor Garlock, CLU®	The Foundation for Community Betterment	Watertown, New York

About Northwestern Mutual Foundation

The mission of the Northwestern Mutual Foundation is to improve the lives of children and families in need. The Foundation has given more than \$300 million since its inception in 1992 and is designed to create lasting impact in the communities where the company's employees and financial representatives live and work. We accomplish this by combining financial support, volunteerism, thought leadership and convening community 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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