

## Northwestern Mutual Backs Milwaukee Neighborhoods With More Than \$1 Million in Grants

Donations fund community programs that contribute to safe, healthy neighborhoods

MILWAUKEE, July 11, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [Northwestern Mutual](#), through its Foundation, today announced more than \$1 million in grants to 25 nonprofits through the company's neighborhood grants program. The grants will support initiatives dedicated to affecting change in the Amani, Metcalfe Park and Muskego Way neighborhoods in Milwaukee.

Since 2013, Northwestern Mutual has invested in these neighborhoods, supporting nonprofits focused on fostering safe neighborhoods, healthy and thriving youth, strong families and quality education. More than 70,000 residents living in these areas benefit from the programming these organizations offer.

"The strength of our community is shown by the residents spearheading efforts in these neighborhoods, which will create a lasting impact," said Eric Christophersen, president, Northwestern Mutual Foundation. "With the support of local programs and organizations, they're influencing positive changes that will continue to drive Milwaukee toward a better tomorrow."

### **Teens Grow Greens Spotlight**

One of this year's grant recipients is [Teens Grow Greens](#), an organization that instills teenagers with valuable life skills through a nine-month paid internship. Over the duration of the internship, these teens plant, tend and harvest fresh produce at gardens in Milwaukee and then mentor elementary students on these skills. The grant will support the expansion of the program to the Amani neighborhood.

"Experiential learning in nature can have an incredible impact on helping children develop a sense of purpose," said Charlie Uihlein, executive director, Teens Grow Greens. "We're very thankful to be partnering with Northwestern Mutual to bring our program to the Amani neighborhood and help local youth discover their potential for growth."

Graduates of Teens Grow Greens complete their internships with resumes of work experience and supportive references. In fact, 93 percent of all graduates were able to obtain employment or attend pre-college programs during the summer of 2017, and all graduates have graduated or are on track to graduate high school.

### **2017 Neighborhood Grant Recipients:**

<i><b>Organization</b></i>
ACTS Community Development Corporation
Artists Working in Education
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee
COA Youth & Family Centers
Data You Can Use
Dominican Center for Women
Feeding America
Frank Zeidler Center for Public Discussion
Harry and Rose Samson Family Jewish Community Center
Journey House
Junior Achievement of Wisconsin

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee
Local Initiatives Support Corporation
Metcalfe Park Neighborhood Association
Milwaukee Christian Center
Milwaukee Community Business Collaborative
Milwaukee Repertory Theater
Neighborhood News Service
Pathfinders
PEARLS for Teen Girls
Rogers Memorial Hospital Foundation
Safe & Sound
Sixteenth Street Community Health Center
Sojourner Family Peace Center
Teens Grow Greens
The Parenting Network

All grant recipients are required to show measurable impact and results of their programs.

Locally, Northwestern Mutual also collaborates with partners to improve education and make Milwaukee a great place to live, work and play. Nationally, the company supports research to find a cure for childhood cancer.

#### 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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