

Northwestern Mutual Recognizes Outstanding Company Volunteerism with Nearly \$300,000 Donation

Company's annual Community Service Awards provide funding to nonprofits nationwide

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 19, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- From connecting families with housing and food resources to providing valuable mentorship opportunities to local youth, Northwestern Mutual financial advisors are leading impactful change in their communities across the country. Through its Foundation, the company is recognizing these efforts through its 2019 Community Service Awards program by awarding nearly \$300,000 in grants to nonprofits nationwide.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Community Service Awards program. Since the program's inception, the Foundation has donated nearly \$6 million to nonprofits on behalf of program winners. This program highlights the exemplary volunteer service of 16 company volunteers who have demonstrated their work with local organizations.

Twelve of the company's financial advisors have been recognized with a \$15,000 grant to benefit a community nonprofit to which he or she has dedicated time and support. Two of this year's winners will receive an additional \$5,000 for volunteering with an organization involved in the fight against childhood cancer, the national philanthropic focus area of the Foundation. An additional winner from each of the four regions has been distinguished as *Most Exceptional*, and received \$25,000 for their organization.

"Every year I'm amazed by the commitment our advisors have for nonprofit support in their communities," said Eric Christophersen, president, Northwestern Mutual Foundation. "Giving back is such an integral piece of our company culture, and our Community Service Award winners truly embody this through the meaningful work they're accomplishing."

The 2019 winners were announced at the company's regional meetings earlier this year, with grants presented to nonprofits at local events throughout the country.

2019 Northwestern Mutual Community Service Award Winners

Most Exceptional Winners (\$25,000 grant)		
Name	Organization	Office Location
Steven Braun, CLU®	Cures Within Reach	Chicago, IL
Mike Campbell, MSFS	Blue Angels Foundation	Atlanta, GA
Sherry Finkel Murphy, CFP®, RICP®	Wellspring (DVRC of Saratoga County)	Albany, NY
Alex Rosenblatt, CLTC®	San Francisco General Hospital Foundation	San Francisco, CA

Outstanding Winners (\$15,000 grant)		
Name	Organization	Office Location
Ralph Barringer, CFP [®] , CLU [®] , ChFC [®] , CASL [®]	Heuser Hearing and Language Academy	Louisville, KY
Garin Demirjian, CLTC [®]	LA Family Housing Corporation	Los Angeles, CA
Cullen Douglass, CFP [®]	Family and Children's Services	Nashville, TN
Dunn Perrault & Associates	Atlas Preparatory School and Early Connections Learning Centers	Colorado Springs, CO
Nate Fikse, CLU [®] , CLF [®] , ChFC [®]	UCLA Health Operation Mend	Newport Beach, CA
Meagan Isselhard, CFP [®]	Christian Activity Center	Fairview Heights, IL
Michael Matone, CLU [®] , ChFC [®]	Butler Hospital	East Greenwich, RI
Hank Meyers	Holocaust Museum & Center for Tolerance and Education	Park Ridge, NJ
Peter Mortka, CFP [®] , CLU [®] , ChFC [®]	Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region	Albany, NY
Mark Rizzo, CLU [®] , ChFC [®] , ChSNC [®] , AEP [®] , CASL [®]	Family Service Association of Greater Elgin Area	Schaumburg, IL
Kyle Smith, CFP [®] , CLU [®] , RICP [®]	Chicago Community ToolBank	Skokie, IL
Joshua Waite, CFP [®] , CLU [®] , ChFC [®] , CAP [®]	Dax Foundation	Peoria, IL

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The mission of the Northwestern Mutual Foundation is to improve the lives of children and families in need. The Foundation has given more than \$353 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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