Northwestern Mutual gives \$285,000 in grants to 16 nonprofits across the United States

Outstanding volunteers celebrated during 20th anniversary of Community Service Awards

MILWAUKEE, April 2, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Volunteers are rallying their communities across the country in support of nonprofits that are shaping the world for the better. Northwestern Mutual financial professionals are active participants in these efforts, making an impact in the lives of others where they live and work.

To honor this commitment, Northwestern Mutual, through its Foundation, is recognizing 16 financial professionals with the company's 2014 Community Service Award. The accolade highlights the exemplary service volunteers have demonstrated and awards three winners per region with a \$15,000 grant for their nonprofit. Additionally, one winner per region is named most exceptional and receives \$25,000 for their organization.

"Something special happens when you combine hope with action," said John Kordsmeier, president, Northwestern Mutual Foundation. "These 16 professionals have demonstrated their deep commitment to their communities. Each of them is an inspiration to others through their transformative work that enriches the lives of those around us."

Since 1995, the company has donated more than \$4 million to nonprofits on behalf of its representatives.

Watch the YouTube videos of most exceptional winners Bradley S. Vick, Rebecca McSwain, Sharon Zimmerman and John J. Carr.

2014 Northwestern Mutual Community Service Award Winners

Community Service Award Winners - Most Exceptional			
Name	Organization	Office Location	
Bradley S. Vick, CFA, CASL	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society – Minnesota chapter	Mendota Heights, Minn.	
Rebecca McSwain, CLU	YoungLives of Manatee County	Tampa, Fla.	
Sharon Zimmerman, CLU, ChFC, CASL	Social Advocates for Youth	Santa Rosa, Calif.	
John J. Carr, CLU, ChFC, CASL	Junior Achievement of Northeastern Pennsylvania	Moosic, Penn.	
Community Service Award Winn	ners		
Jamie Garard	WITS - Working in the Schools	Chicago	
Sean B. Pickett	Near West Little League	Chicago	
Richard L. Durnwald, MBA, CLU, ChFC	Children's Advocacy Center of Southwest Florida	Fort Myers, Fla.	
Roy Jordan, CFP	The Green Hills Family YMCA and Restore Ministries	Nashville, Tenn.	
John Tripoli, CLU, CFP	Center for Developmental Services	Greenville, S.C.	
Chau Le, CLU, ChFC, CLTC	Starlight Children's Foundation	Los Angeles	
Ernie J. Medina, CLTC	Website for Heroes (Purple Heart Baseball)	Irvine, Calif.	

Randy Riley, CLU, ChFC	Child Abuse Prevention Center of Orange County	Irvine, Calif.
Brad Alderfer, J.D., CFP, RICP	Manchester Community Music School	Manchester, N.H.
Douglas J. DiCerbo, CLU	James F. Farr Academy, Inc.	Boston
Scott J. Taylor, Sr.	The First Tee of Raritan Valley	Princeton, N.J.

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 \$250 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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