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## **2015** Charitable Giving in Honor of our Clients

We'd like to take this time to personally thank each and every one of you for your continued trust in us. Without you, our business would not be possible. We truly value the relationships and friendships we have built with you and your families over the years and look forward to many more.

Charitable giving is one way that DBFM is able to give back to the local and national community in which we live and operate. In 2015 we made the following contributions to local, national and world functioning charitable organizations in your honor:

- American Red Cross of Northeast Indiana: Provides relief to victims of disaster and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.
- **Boomerang Back Packs:** The Boomerang Backpack program is a free weekend food distribution program that provides students enrolled in free/reduced lunch programs a backpack filled with healthy foods for the weekend. Feeding hungry children is the most visible part of their mission, however the manner in which BBP provides the program reflects other underlying missions. See more at: http://www.boomerangbackpacks.org/program.html
- **Building Homes for Heroes:** This nonprofit organization builds specially adapted, mortgagefree homes nationwide for the most severely injured Veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan. Most of these Veterans are multiple amputees, paraplegic, quadriplegic or suffered severe traumatic brain injury (TBI).
- **Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne:** Organized to channel gifts from individual and corporate donors to a variety of charitable organizations in the local community. We made donations to six local charities through the Community Foundation this year and the Community Foundation matched 100% of each gift. Below are the charities:
  - **1.** Allen County CASA Coalition: Recruits, trains and supervises community volunteers to advocate for an abused or neglected child by providing objective information and recommendations.
  - 2. Erin's House: Support for children, teens, and their families who have suffered the death of a loved one.
  - **3.** Fort Wayne Rescue Mission: A faith-based, nonprofit organization, providing restorative care to men, women and children experiencing a homeless crisis. They serve Fort Wayne, Allen County and its nine surrounding counties. The Mission is comprised of four ministries, or houses, that function as communities of compassion.
  - 4. Matthew 25 Health and Dental Clinic: Provides free primary healthcare services to uninsured, low-income residents of Allen County.



- 5. Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home: Provides compassionate care to alleviate suffering and ensure quality of life for those affected by serious illness.
- 6. Community Harvest Food Bank: Six days a week, Community Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Indiana works with a network of food donors, social service organizations, and churches to provide food to hungry people, delivering five million tons of food annually to the northeast corner of the state.
- Give Kids the World: GKTW exists only to fulfill the wishes of all children with life threatening illnesses and their families from around the world to experience a memorable, joyful, cost-free visit to the Central Florida attractions, and to enjoy the magic of Give Kids the World Village.
- Mustard Seed: Provides basic home furnishings for families formerly displaced by fire or other • causes.
- Salvation Army: "Doing the Most Good." Their mission to feed, to clothe, to comfort, to care in God's name without discrimination.
- The Literacy Alliance: Literacy is critical to so many issues facing our community. When you improve literacy, you impact many areas: employment, public safety, healthcare and, of course, our economy. Additionally, improving adult literacy impacts family literacy. Odds are if parents struggle with reading, their child will struggle as well. Our work is important to break this cycle.
- University of St. Francis Scholarship Fund: These funds will allow USF to continue to foster • the creativity and academic excellence of future students through scholarships and the continued development of the USF Downtown Campus.

These charities are vetted for their efficiency in deployment of charitable income. They must not use more than 20% of income to operate their mission. Most of these organizations are 85% efficient or better.

God bless you and your families. Cheers to a happy and healthy 2016!

Warm regards,

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